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Wards Affected	All	15 th September 2015	
Title	EXTERNAL AUDIT: ISA 260 (INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS ON AUDITING)		

1. <u>PURPOSE</u>

1.1 The purpose of this report is to present the ISA 260 Report to those charged with Governance (This has been prepared by the Council's external auditor (KPMG)), and to approve the Council's Management Representation Letter.

2. INFORMATION

- 2.1 The Audit Commissions Code of Audit Practice (the code) requires the Council's appointed auditor (KPMG) to summarise the work they have carried out and to report to those charged with governance at the time they are considering the financial statements. For the Council this is the Monitoring and Audit Committee. In addition KPMG are also required to comply with the International Auditing Standard (ISA) 260 which sets out the responsibilities for communicating with those charged with governance. The report detailed at **Appendix A** meets both of these requirements.
- 2.2 A further requirement is for the Council to provide representations on specific matters such as the Councils financial standing and whether the transactions within the accounts are legal and unaffected by fraud. The Management Representation Letter detailed at **Appendix B** confirms the accounts have been prepared in accordance with statutory legislation and fairly represent the transactions of the Council and no additional disclosures are required in the financial statements, over and above those already disclosed.
- 2.3 A representative of the Council's appointed auditor will be at the meeting to present the report and answer Member questions.

3. <u>RECOMMENDATION</u>

3.1 That the Monitoring & Audit Committee receives the Audit Memorandum – Report to those charged with Governance, and approves the Management Representation Letter.