

## **Report to Audit Committee**

**Subject:** KPMG External Audit Report 2016/17  
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### **1. Purpose of the Report**

To inform Members of the key findings arising from KPMG's (the Council's external auditors) audit work in respect of 2016/17.

### **2. Background**

It is a requirement that the Council's financial statements are audited on an annual basis and that in addition the auditors undertake all work necessary to support their conclusion on value for money (VFM).

### **3. Proposal**

As external auditors, KPMG have concluded the audit of the Council's financial statements for 2016/17 and their report, summarising their key findings, is attached at Appendix 1. The report also summarises the work done to support KPMG's conclusion on the Council's arrangements to secure economy, efficiency and effectiveness in the use of resources (the VFM conclusion). It is proposed that the report is noted.

### **4. Resource Implications**

There are no specific resource implications arising from this report.

### **5. Recommendation**

Members are recommended to note the KPMG External Audit Report for 2016/17 (Appendix 1).

## **6. Appendices**

1. KPMG External Audit Report 2016/17.