

Report to Audit Committee

Subject: KPMG Annual Audit Letter 2016/17

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1. Purpose of the Report

To inform Members of the outcome of the external audit work in respect of 2016/17.

2. Background

The external auditor's Annual Audit Letter summarises the outcomes from the audit work at Gedling Borough Council in relation to the 2016/17 audit year. Although it is addressed to Members of the Authority, it is also intended to communicate these key messages to key external stakeholders, including members of the public, and will be placed on the Authority's website

3. Proposal

As external auditors, KPMG have concluded their audit work for 2016/17 and outcomes are summarised in the Annual Audit Letter attached at Appendix 1. The letter confirms that an unqualified audit opinion was issued in respect of both the Council's Financial Statements and the Value for Money arrangements. It is proposed that the letter is accepted and be recommended to Full Council.

4. Resource Implications

There are no specific resource implications arising from this report.

5. Recommendation

That the Audit Committee receive and accept the KPMG Annual Audit Letter for 2016/17 (Appendix 1) and recommends the report to full Council on 31

January 2018.

6. Appendices

1. KPMG Annual Audit Letter 2016/17.