

BOROUGH OF KETTERING

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Title	EXTERNAL AUDIT REPORT – ANNUAL AUDIT LETTER		

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

To present the Annual Audit letter following completion of the audit of accounts for 2015/16.

The report has been prepared by the Council's external auditor and a representative from KPMG will be at the meeting to present this report and answer Members' questions.

2. ANNUAL AUDIT LETTER

- 2.1 The Council's external auditor (KPMG) attended the previous meeting of this Committee and presented their ISA260 report. The ISA260 report outlined their findings from the audit of the financial accounts for 2015/16 and is the main report that the auditors issue in relation to the Council's accounts.
- 2.2 Following the Committee receiving the ISA260 report at the previous meeting the Committee considered the Statement of Accounts for 2015/16 and subsequently approved them. This allowed the Council's Auditors to formally issue an unqualified audit opinion (this is a good thing) in relation to the Council's accounts and hence conclude their work on the 2015/16 financial accounts.
- 2.3 As part of concluding their work on the 2015/16 accounts, KPMG annually issue an 'Annual Audit Letter'. The Annual Audit Letter for 2015/16 is attached at **Appendix A**.
- 2.4 It is important for members to note that there is nothing new in the Annual Audit Letter that is being presented – any findings / comments contained within it have previously been reported to the Committee.

3. RECOMMENDATION

That the Monitoring & Audit Committee receives and notes the Annual Audit Letter for the 2015/16 audit.