# **Audit & Standards Committee**

### 1 June 2017

### External Audit Plan 2016/17

#### Recommendation

The Committee is asked to consider and make any comments on the Warwickshire Pension Fund 2016/17 Audit Plan from the External Auditors, attached at Appendix A.

## 1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to inform the Council's Audit and Standards Committee of the External Auditors plan of work in relation to the Pension Fund's 2016/17 accounts.
- 1.2 The plan has been prepared by Grant Thornton UK LLP, our appointed external auditors, in the context of the Statement of Responsibilities of Auditors and Audited Bodies issued by the National Audit Office.
- 1.3 Their annual work programme is set in accordance with the Code of Audit Practice ('the Code') issued by the Audit Commission and developed by the Comptroller and Auditor General of the National Audit Office and includes nationally prescribed and locally determined work.
- 1.4 It is the responsibility of the Pension Fund to ensure that proper arrangements are in place for the conduct of its business, and that public money is safeguarded and properly accounted for. In preparing the plan the Auditors have considered how the Pension Fund is fulfilling these responsibilities and the key risks it faces.
- 1.5 A full copy of the Plan is attached at **Appendix A**.

# **Background Papers**

None

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