

Audit and Standards Committee

7 November 2019

External Auditors' Progress Report

Recommendation

The Audit and Standards Committee is asked to consider and make any comments on the attached External Auditors' Progress Report.

1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1. The purpose of this report is for our external auditors to provide a report to inform the Committee of their progress in delivering their responsibilities as our external auditors and to provide an update of key developments in the sector.
- 1.2. The report prepared by the auditors is attached at **Appendix A**.

2. Financial Implications

- 2.1. There are no material financial implications for the authority as a result of the issues raised in this report. Page 5 of the Auditors report includes some commentary about the additional fees for the 2018/19 audit. These are subject to on-going discussions and a verbal update will be provided at the meeting.

3. Background Papers

- 3.1. None

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None