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REPORT TO: AUDIT AND RISK MANAGEMENT SUB-COMMITTEE

REPORT ON: EXTERNAL AUDIT REPORTS

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1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

To submit to Members of the Audit and Risk Management Sub-Committee the External Audit Reports finalised since the last Sub-Committee and the Annual Audit Plan for 2009/10.

2 **RECOMMENDATIONS**

Members of the Sub-Committee are asked to consider each of the individual reports.

3 BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The 2009/10 Annual Audit Plan outlines the focus of our audit work for the year which is centred around four areas:
 - the financial statements
 - the findings of our audit risk assessment process
 - a review and assessment of governance and performance arrangements
 - grant claims and returns.
- 3.2 The Follow-up of Change Management and Application System Reviews 2009/10 outlines our findings from our follow-up reviews of the action taken by the Council to address risks identified in previously audit reports.
- 3.3 Audit work in respect of other areas set out in the Annual Audit Plan is ongoing. The findings from our 2009/10 work will be detailed in our Final Report to Members in October 2010.

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