

HAVANT BOROUGH COUNCIL

GOVERNANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE

20 NOVEMBER 2013

EXTERNAL AUDIT PAPERS – HAVANT BOROUGH COUNCIL

Report by Corporate Accountancy Team Leader

FOR INFORMATION

Governance and Logistics Portfolio: Cllr J Branson

Key Decision: No

1.0 Purpose of Report

1.1 To outline the papers to be presented by Ernst & Young LLP.

2.0 Recommendation

2.1 We ask the Committee to note the content of the reports attached to this paper.

3.0 Summary

3.1 To fulfil our responsibilities as your external auditor we are required to present formally the papers attached to this report to those charged with governance.

4.0 Reports

4.1 Audit Progress Report 2012/13

This report sets out the work we have undertaken to date since our appointment as your auditor on 1 September 2012. The purpose of this report is to provide the Governance and Audit Committee with an overview of the stage we have reached in your 2012/13 audit, and an outline of our plans for the 2013/14 audit.

4.2 Annual Audit Letter 2012/13

This report summarises our preliminary audit conclusion in relation to Havant Borough Council's financial position and results for year ended 31 March 2013.

4.3 LG Sector Update

The purpose of this report is to summarise some of the current issues facing the Local Government sector and is for information only

5.0 Implications

- 5.1 Resources: No direct implications
- 5.2 Legal: No direct implications
- 5.3 Strategy: No direct implications
- 5.4 Risks: No direct implications
- 5.5 Communications: No direct implications
- 5.6 For the Community: No direct implications

6.0 Consultation:

Executive Head of Governance & Logistics
Corporate Accountancy Team Leader

6.1 Appendices:

Appendix A - 2012/13 Audit Progress Report
Appendix B - 2012/13 Annual Audit Letter
Appendix C - Sector Update

Agreed and signed off by:

Executive Head of Governance & Logistics: 6 November 2013

Contact Officer: Kevin Harlow
Job Title: Corporate Accountancy Team Leader
Telephone: 01730 234125
E-Mail: Kevin.harlow@easthants.gov.uk