

<b>For Information / Consideration</b>	
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<b>Report to:</b>	<b>Joint Audit and Scrutiny Panel</b>
<b>Date of Meeting:</b>	<b>15<sup>th</sup> December 2014</b>
<b>Report of:</b>	<b>Chief Finance Officer</b>
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<b>Agenda Item:</b>	<b>08</b>

## **EXTERNAL AUDIT ANNUAL AUDIT LETTER**

### **1. Purpose of the Report**

- 1.1 To provide members with a copy of the Annual Audit Letter - the final stage in the Statement of Accounts 2013-14 process.

### **2. Recommendations**

- 2.1 Members are requested to consider and forward to the PCC and CC for approval.

### **3. Reasons for Recommendations**

- 3.1 This complies with good governance and in ensuring assurance can be obtained from the work carried out.

### **4. Summary of Key Points**

- 4.1 The Annual Audit Letter is attached at **Appendix A** this is the final part of compliance with the Accounts and Audit Regulations for closure of the 2013-14 accounts.
- 4.2 The Letter itself is not dissimilar to the External Highlight report presented to this panel at the September meeting.

### **5. Financial Implications and Budget Provision**

- 5.1 None as a direct result of this report.

### **6. Human Resources Implications**

- 6.1 None as a direct result of this report.

### **7. Equality Implications**

- 7.1 None as a direct result of this report.

## **8. Risk Management**

8.1 None as a direct result of this report.

## **9. Policy Implications and links to the Police and Crime Plan Priorities**

9.1 This report complies with good governance and financial regulations.

## **10. Changes in Legislation or other Legal Considerations**

10.1 None – this complies with the Accounts & Audit Regulations.

## **11. Details of outcome of consultation**

11.1 Not applicable

## **12. Appendices**

12.1 Appendix A - External Audit – Annual Audit Letter.