

Bath & North East Somerset Council		
MEETING:	Corporate Audit Committee	
MEETING DATE:	8th February 2018	AGENDA ITEM NUMBER
TITLE:	External Audit Update	EXECUTIVE FORWARD PLAN REFERENCE: E
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<p>List of attachments to this report:</p> <p>Appendix 1 – External Audit Grant Certification Letter</p> <p>Appendix 2 – External Audit Plan for Council</p> <p>Appendix 3 – External Audit Plan for Pension Fund</p>		

1 THE ISSUE

- 1.1 The External Auditor will present their audit plan for the Council and Pension Fund, Grant Certification letter and provide a general update to the Committee on their work against their existing plan.

2 RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 The Corporate Audit Committee is asked to note the report.

3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 There are reductions of 23% in the audit fee from previous years as a result of last year's national procurement process through PSAA Ltd. These were already factored into existing budgets.

4 THE REPORT

- 4.1 Appendix 1 details the results of External Audit's work on certifying the Housing Benefit subsidy claim.
- 4.2 Appendices 2 and 3 detail the audit plan for the Council and Avon Pension Fund.
- 4.3 The External Auditor will provide a fuller verbal briefing on all these areas at the meeting.

5 RISK MANAGEMENT

- 5.1 A proportionate risk assessment has been carried out in relation to the Councils risk management guidance. There are no new significant risks or issues to report to the Committee as a result of this report.

6. EQUALITIES

- 6.1 A proportionate equalities impact assessment has been carried out using corporate guidelines, no significant issues to report.

7 CONSULTATION

- 7.1 Consultation has been carried out with the Section 151 Finance Officer.

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Background papers	
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