

# **London Borough of Hammersmith & Fulham**

# **AUDIT, PENSIONS AND STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

2<sup>nd</sup> December 2014

## **ANNUAL AUDIT LETTER 2013/14**

Report of the Executive Director of Finance and Corporate Governance

**Open Report** 

Classification - For Information

Key Decision: - No

Wards Affected: All

Accountable Executive Director: Jane West, Executive Director of Finance and

Corporate Governance

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### 1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.1. KPMG, as the Council's external auditor, have issued their Annual Audit Letter. The letter – which is appended to this report - confirms that the Council's 2013/14 accounts received an unqualified opinion on 19<sup>th</sup> September. The 2013/14 audit is now certified as concluded. The letter also summarises the findings of the 2013/14 audit which were previously presented to the Committee in September 2014. It further reports that the audit fee for 2013/14 was £239,600, in line with the Audit Commission's scale fee.

# 2. RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1. To note the contents of auditor's letter.

#### 3. REASONS FOR DECISION

3.1. Not applicable.

# 4. **EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS**

- 4.1. Not applicable.
- 5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS
- 5.1. Not applicable.
- 6. FINANCIAL AND RESOURCES IMPLICATIONS
- 6.1. Not applicable.
- 7. RISK MANAGEMENT
- 7.1. Not applicable
- 8. PROCUREMENT AND IT STRATEGY IMPLICATIONS
- 8.1. Not applicable.

# LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2000 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS USED IN PREPARING THIS REPORT

No.	Description of Background Papers	Name/Ext of holder of file/copy	Department/ Location
1.	KPMG reports	Christopher Harris, 020 8753 6440	Corporate Accountancy and Capital, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor, Hammersmith Town Hall Extension

### LIST OF APPENDICES:

Appendix 1 – KPMG Annual Audit Letter 2013/14