


<p style="text-align: center;"><b>London Borough of Hammersmith &amp; Fulham</b>  <b>AUDIT, PENSIONS AND STANDARDS COMMITTEE</b>  15 June 2016</p>	
<p><b>EXTERNAL AUDIT PLAN 2015/16</b></p>	
<p><b>Report of the Strategic Finance Director</b></p>	
<p><b>Open Report</b></p>	
<p><b>Classification:</b> For Information  <b>Key Decision:</b> No</p>	
<p><b>Wards Affected:</b> All</p>	
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## 1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1. The Council's external auditor, KPMG, have provided their plan for the audit of the 2015-16 Statement of Accounts. The plan (attached at Appendix 1) describes how the auditor will deliver the financial statements audit work and also sets out their approach to value for money (VFM) work for 2015/16. The auditor will be present at the Committee to discuss this plan.
- 1.2. The audit will substantially take place during July and August 2016 and the final accounts will be presented to the Committee in September 2016.
- 1.3. The auditor has also provided an audit progress report and a technical update for the Committee's information (Appendix 2).

## 2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1. To note the 2015/16 Audit Plan (Appendix 1) and Progress Report and Technical Update (Appendix 2) as put forward by KPMG.

**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**

None.

**LIST OF APPENDICES:**

Appendix 1 – KPMG External Audit Plan 2015/16

Appendix 2 – KPMG Audit Progress Report and Technical Update