

FAREHAM

BOROUGH COUNCIL

Report to Audit and Governance Committee

Date: 11 March 2019

Report of: Head of Housing and Benefits

Subject: EXTERNAL AUDIT ANNUAL CERTIFICATION REPORT

SUMMARY

This report presents the findings from the 2017-18 certification work carried out by the External Auditors (Ernst and Young). The work covered the Housing Benefit Subsidy Claim.

The Audit and Governance Committee's areas of responsibility for External Audit include considering the external auditor's annual letter, relevant reports, and the report to those charged with governance.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Committee:

- (a) consider the findings of the Annual Certification Report 2017-18 submitted by the Council's external auditors; and
- (b) comment on the findings as appropriate.

Appendix A: Annual Certification Report 2017-18

Background Papers: None

Reference Papers: Statement of responsibilities of grant-paying bodies, authorities, Public Sector Audit Appointments (PSAA) and appointed auditors in relation to claims and returns – issued by PSAA

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