

# FAREHAM

## BOROUGH COUNCIL

### Report to Audit and Governance Committee

**Date:** 13 March 2023

**Report of:** Deputy Chief Executive Officer

**Subject:** EXTERNAL AUDIT - AUDIT RESULTS REPORT

#### SUMMARY

The Committee is asked to consider the External Auditor's Audit Results Report (Appendix A), summarising the findings from the audit of the 2021/22 accounts.

Once the final findings of the External Auditor have been considered and the revised Statement of Accounts produced, a "letter of representation" will be sent from the Council's Section 151 Officer (Deputy Chief Executive Officer) to the External Auditor. This will enable the External Auditor to issue their audit report on the Council's financial statements. The Statement of Accounts can then be published.

#### RECOMMENDATION

It is RECOMMENDED that: -

- (a) the Audit and Governance Committee notes the contents of the Audit Results Report (Appendix A); and
- (b) the Deputy Chief Executive Officer and the Chairman of the Audit and Governance Committee will sign the Letter of Representation, subject to the external auditors completing their outstanding procedures and any further amendments to the accounts, or the Letter of Representation, being agreed by the Deputy Chief Executive Officer in consultation with the Chairman of the Audit and Governance Committee.

**Background and Reference Papers:** None

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