

<b>Item No.</b> 13.	<b>Classification:</b> Open	<b>Date:</b> 14 September 2016	<b>Meeting Name:</b> Audit, governance and standards committee
<b>Report title:</b>		Grant Thornton – Audit, Governance and Standards Committee Update August 2016	
<b>Ward(s) or groups affected:</b>		All	
<b>From:</b>		Strategic Director of Finance and Governance	

### **RECOMMENDATION**

1. That the audit, governance and standards committee note Grant Thornton’s audit, governance and standards committee update, as attached (Appendix 1).

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

2. The purpose of the audit update report is to brief the audit, governance and standards committee on work currently being planned or undertaken by Grant Thornton and to highlight emerging national issues and developments which may be of interest to members of the committee.

### **KEY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION**

3. The attached report at appendix 1 provides an update on 2015-16 audit work and also draws members’ attention to a number of key local government accounting and other issues and highlights publications from Grant Thornton, CIPFA and the National Audit Office.

### **Policy implications**

4. This report and the accompanying update report are not considered to have direct policy implications.

### **Community Impact Statement**

5. This report and the accompanying update report are not considered to have direct impact on local people and communities.

### **Resource implications**

6. This report and the accompanying update report are not considered to have direct impact on resource implications.

### **Consultation**

7. Consultation has not been undertaken.

## SUPPLEMENTARY ADVICE FROM OTHER OFFICERS

8. None required.

## BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Background Papers	Held At	Contact
None.		

## APPENDICES

No.	Title
Appendix 1	Grant Thornton audit, governance and standards committee update August 2016

## AUDIT TRAIL

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<b>Dated</b>	31 August 2016	
<b>Key Decision?</b>	No	
<b>CONSULTATION WITH OTHER OFFICERS / DIRECTORATES / CABINET MEMBER</b>		
<b>Officer Title</b>	<b>Comments Sought</b>	<b>Comments included</b>
Director of Law and Democracy	No	N/A
Strategic Director of Finance and Governance	N/A	N/A
<b>Cabinet Member</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>
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