

Item No. 8.	Classification: Open	Date: 8 February 2021	Meeting Name: Audit, governance and standards committee
Report title:		Annual audit letter for Southwark Council year ended 31 March 2020	
Ward(s) or groups affected:		All	
From:		Strategic Director of Finance and Governance	

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the audit, governance and standards committee note the report, as attached at Appendix A.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

2. The purpose of the report is to summarise the key findings arising from the work of Grant Thornton in the year 2019/20, as attached at Appendix A.

Policy implications

3. This report is not considered to have direct policy implications.

Community impact statement

4. This report is not considered to contain any proposals that would have a significant impact on any particular community or group.

Resource implications

5. If there are direct resource implications in this report, such as the payment of fees, these will be met from existing budget provision.

Consultation

6. There has been no consultation on this report.

SUPPLEMENTARY ADVICE FROM OTHER OFFICERS

7. None required.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Background Papers	Held At	Contact
None		

APPENDICES

No.	Title
Appendix A	The annual audit letter for Southwark Council to year ended 31 March 2020

AUDIT TRAIL

Lead Officer	Duncan Whitfield, Strategic Director of Finance and Governance	
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Version	Final	
Dated	29 January 2021	
Key Decision?	No	
CONSULTATION WITH OTHER OFFICERS / DIRECTORATES / CABINET MEMBER		
Officer Title	Comments sought	Comments included
Director of Law and Democracy	No	N/A
Strategic Director of Finance and Governance	No	N/A
Cabinet Member	No	No
Date final report sent to Constitutional Team	29 January 2021	