

Item No. 11.	Classification: Open	Date: 2 June 2021	Meeting Name: Audit, governance and standards committee
Report title:		Audit fee letters - indicative fees and planned work outputs (including pension fund)	
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 provide an overview of the planned scope and timing of the statutory audit of Southwark Council and the pension fund statutory audit.

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.

REASONS FOR LATENESS

8. The External Audit Plans have been delayed beyond the date of the publication of the Agenda due to the need to potentially revisit our Audit

Scope on the back of the latest round of external file reviews which is currently being undertaken to ensure we can provide the most up to date position to the Council

REASONS FOR URGENCY

- This report sets out the external audit plan, and this meeting is the last opportunity for members to give feedback.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Background Papers	Held At	Contact
None		

APPENDICES

No.	Title
Appendix A	External audit plan
Appendix B	Pension fund external audit plan

AUDIT TRAIL

Lead Officer	Duncan Whitfield, Strategic Director of Finance and Governance	
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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
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