

Report To: **AUDIT PANEL**

Date: 30 May 2017

Reporting Officer: Ian Duncan – Assistant Executive Director (Finance)
Stephen Nixon – Senior Manager Grant Thornton

Subject: **AUDIT PLAN**

Report Summary: Grant Thornton are responsible for performing the Council's audit, which is directed towards forming and expressing an opinion on the financial statements that have been prepared by management with the oversight of those charged with governance. The Audit Plan highlights the key elements of Grant Thornton's proposed audit strategy for the benefit of those charged with governance.

Recommendations: That the audit plan for TMBC and GMPF be noted.

Links to Community Strategy: The Sustainable Community Strategy is a key document outlining the aims of the Council and its partners to improve the borough of Tameside (agreed in consultation with local residents).

Policy Implications: In line with Council Policy.

Financial Implications: There are no direct financial implications as a result of this report.
(Authorised by the Section 151 Officer)

Legal Implications: Demonstrates the Council's compliance with the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2011.
(Authorised by the Borough Solicitor)

Risk Management: The audit provides external verification from an independent Organisation.

Access to Information: The background papers can be obtained from the author of the report, Beverley Stephens, Finance Business Partner, Financial Management by contacting:-



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