

Report To: **JOINT MEETING OF EXECUTIVE CABINET AND AUDIT PANEL**

Date: 14 December 2016

Reporting Officer: Ian Duncan – Assistant Executive Director (Finance)

Subject: **ANNUAL AUDIT LETTER FOR 2015/16**

Report Summary: To present to Members the annual audit letter for Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council and Greater Manchester Pension Fund from Grant Thornton for the external audit of 2015/16.

Recommendations: To note the letter.

Links to Community Strategy: The Community Strategy helps determine priorities for Council spending; the spending will be audited by Grant Thornton in the 2016/17 audit.

Policy Implications: There are no direct policy implications.

Financial Implications: These are the subject of the report.


(Authorised by the Section 151 Officer)


Legal Implications: This is the annual letter prepared by our external auditors summarising the key findings arising for the work that they have carried out at Tameside Council for the year ending 31 March 2016. It is a key tool in assessing how well the Council is performing in respect of its finance and governance.

(Authorised by the Borough Solicitor)

Risk Management: The audit provides external verification of the Council's financial statements.

Access to Information: The background papers relating to this report can be inspected by contacting the report writer, Beverley Stephens, Head of Resource Management :

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