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EXTERNAL AUDIT PLAN 2006/07

Purpose of Report

1. To present the External Audit Plan for 2006/07.

Information and Analysis

- 2. **Attached** is a copy of the 2006/07 Draft Audit Plan which has been prepared by the Council's appointed external auditors PriceWaterhouseCoopers (PwC).
- 3. The Plan is still under discussion with officers and the outcome of those discussions will be reported at the meeting.
- 4. Representatives from PwC will attend the meeting to present the Plan.

Legal Implications

5. This report has been considered by the Borough Solicitor for legal implications in accordance with the Council's approved procedures. There are no issues which the Borough Solicitor considers need to be brought to the specific attention of Members, other than those highlighted in the report.

Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998

6. The contents of this report have been considered in the context of the requirements placed on the Council by Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998, namely, the duty on the Council to exercise its functions with due regard to the likely effect of the exercise of those functions on, and the need to do all that it reasonably can to prevent, crime and disorder in its area. It is not considered that the contents of this report have any such effect.

Recommendation

7. It is recommended that the External Audit Plan for 2006/07 be noted.

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Background Papers

External Audit Plan 2006/07.

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