

REPORT TO: Audit and Governance Committee

MEETING DATE: 15 September 2015

BY: Depute Chief Executive - Resources & People Services

SUBJECT: East Lothian Council Annual Accounts 2014-15

1 PURPOSE

1.1 To provide those members charged with governance the audited 2014-15 annual accounts. (The finalised accounts will be placed on the Council's website in due course.)

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 Members are recommended to;

- Note the 2014-15 audited final accounts, taking into consideration the External Auditors Annual Audit Report.
- Note the intention to submit the audited final accounts in accordance with the statutory timetable.

3 BACKGROUND

3.1 The draft 2014-15 annual accounts were presented and considered by Audit & Governance Committee on 23 June 2015, and were submitted for audit on 26 June 2015.

3.2 Audit review has now been completed, which overall has resulted in a small number of non material amendments to the accounts, and KMPG have confirmed they intend to issue an unqualified audit opinion.

3.3 In line with statutory guidelines, the annual accounts will now be formally submitted by 30 September 2015.

4 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

4.1 There are no direct policy implications associated with this report.

5 EQUALITIES IMPACT ASSESSMENT

5.1 This report is not applicable to the wellbeing of equalities groups and an Equalities Impact Assessment is not required.

6 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

6.1 Financial – there are no direct resource implications arising from the recommendations within this report.

6.2 Personnel - none

6.3 Other – none

7 BACKGROUND PAPERS

7.1 East Lothian Council Annual Statement of Accounts (Audited) 2014-15

7.2 Council 25 August 2015 (Agenda Item 6) 2014-15 Financial Review

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