

REPORT TO: Business Efficiency Board
DATE: 14 November 2012
REPORTING OFFICER: Operational Director – Finance
PORTFOLIO: Resources
TITLE: 2011/12 Annual Claims and Returns Report
WARDS: Borough Wide

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To consider the Audit Commission's report following the audit of 2011/12 grant claims and returns.

2.0 RECOMMENDED: That the Audit Commission's report presented in Appendix 1 be approved.

3.0 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

3.1 The 2011/12 Grant Claims and Returns report summarises the findings from the reviews of the Council's 2011/12 grants claims and returns completed by the Audit Commission, the Council's external auditors.

3.2 A copy of the 2011/12 Grant Claims and Returns report is attached at Appendix 1. Mr Mike Thomas, the District Auditor, will attend the Board to present the report and take questions.

4.0 POLICY AND OTHER IMPLICATIONS

4.1 None.

5.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S PRIORITIES

5.1 There are no direct implications.

6.0 RISK ANALYSIS

6.1 There are no direct risks involved with this report, however, the Audit Commission's work assists the Council in ensuring that a sound control environment is operated which minimises financial risks.

7.0 EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES

7.1 None identified.

8.0 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS UNDER SECTION 100D OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

8.1 None under the meaning of the Act.