

REPORT TO: Business Efficiency Board

DATE: 7 June 2017

REPORTING OFFICER: Strategic Director – Enterprise, Community & Resources

PORTFOLIO: Resources

SUBJECT: Housing Benefit Subsidy Claim Certification

WARDS: Borough wide

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 The purpose of the report is for the Council's external auditors, Grant Thornton, to update the Board on their certification of the Council's Housing Benefit Subsidy claim for 2015/16.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION: That the report be noted.

3.0 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Grant Thornton will attend the meeting to present their certification letter, which is shown in the Appendix.

4.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

None

5.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

6.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S PRIORITIES

6.1 Children and Young People in Halton

None.

6.2 Employment, Learning and Skills in Halton

None.

6.3 A Healthy Halton

None.

6.4 A Safer Halton

None.

6.5 Halton's Urban Renewal

None.

7.0 RISK ANALYSIS

This report is for information only. There are no risks arising from it.

8.0 EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES

There are no equality and diversity issues arising from this report.

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

None under the meaning of the Act.