

**REPORT TO:** Executive Board  
**DATE:** 2 April 2009  
**REPORTING OFFICER:** Strategic Director – Corporate and Policy  
**TITLE:** Annual Audit and Inspection Letter 2007/08  
**WARDS:** Boroughwide

**1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1.1 To receive a presentation from the Council's Auditors on the Annual Audit and Inspection Letter.

**2.0 RECOMMENDED: That the Annual Audit and Inspection Letter be received.**

**3.0 SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

3.1 The Annual Audit and Inspection Letter provides an overall summary of the Audit Commission's assessment of the Council, drawing on audit inspections and performance assessment work. A copy of the annual letter is attached as Appendix 1. Mike Thomas, the District Auditor, will be in attendance.

**4.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 None.

**5.0 RISK ANALYSIS**

5.1 None.

**6.0 EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES**

6.1 None.

**7.0 OTHER IMPLICATIONS**

7.1 None.

## **8.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S PRIORITIES**

### **8.1 Children and Young People in Halton**

Ensuring the Council takes action on recommendations from the Auditor will assist in the delivery of its priorities.

### **8.2 Employment, Learning and Skills in Halton**

Ensuring the Council takes action on recommendations from the Auditor will assist in the delivery of its priorities.

### **8.3 A Healthy Halton**

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### **8.4 A Safer Halton**

Ensuring the Council takes action on recommendations from the Auditor will assist in the delivery of its priorities.

### **8.5 Halton's Urban Renewal**

Ensuring the Council takes action on recommendations from the Auditor will assist in the delivery of its priorities.

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

9.1 There are no background papers under the meaning of the Act.