

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

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ANNUAL AUDIT LETTER – USE OF RESOURCES

REPORT OF CORPORATE DIRECTOR (GOVERNANCE)

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RECENT REFERENCES:

PS395 – Annual Audit Letter – Principal Scrutiny Committee 16 November 2009

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Annual Audit letter was considered in full by Principal Scrutiny Committee on 16 November 2009.

A section of that letter (Value for Money and Use of Resources) is related to the work of this Committee and the relevant extract is attached as Appendix A.

It will be noted that, on a scale of 1 – 4 (4 being excellent), the Council was scored overall as a 2. However, the theme ‘Does the organisation promote and demonstrate the principles and values of good governance?’ scored a 3.

The letter also comments in para. 31 that ‘The Council demonstrates that it has good governance arrangements through the Standards Committee which monitors Member ethical issues...’

RECOMMENDATION:

That the extract from the Annual Audit letter related to Value for Money and Use of Resources be noted.

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY STRATEGY AND CORPORATE BUSINESS PLAN  
(RELEVANCE TO):

An Efficient and Effective Council.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

None

RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES

None

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:

None

APPENDICES:

Appendix 1 – Extract from Annual Audit Letter (Value for Money and Use of Resources)