

GMCA Audit Committee

Date: 19th October 2022

Subject: External Audit Progress Report

Report of: Mazars LLP, External Auditor

Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on progress in relation to the external auditor's responsibilities.

The report provides an update on the progress of the external auditors work to assess the authority's arrangements to deliver value for money in the financial year ended 31st March 2021 (2020/21).

The report also contains an update on the progress of the 2021/22 audit.

Recommendations:

The GMCA is requested to:

1. Note the contents of the report

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Equalities Impact, Carbon and Sustainability Assessment:

n/a

Risk Management

Risk issues are considered in the paper

Legal Considerations

n/a

Financial Consequences - Revenue - n/a

Financial Consequences - Capital - n/a

Number of attachments to the report: 1

Comments/recommendations from Overview & Scrutiny Committee

n/a

Background Papers

- Previous progress reports from the authority's' external auditors
- GMCA 2020/21 Annual Report and Annual Governance Statement
- GMCA Draft Annual Account 2021/22

Tracking/ Process

Does this report relate to a major strategic decision, as set out in the GMCA Constitution

No

Exemption from call in

Are there any aspects in this report which means it should be considered to be exempt from call in by the relevant Scrutiny Committee on the grounds of urgency?

No

GM Transport Committee

n/a

Overview and Scrutiny Committee

n/a