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CERTIFICATION OF CLAIMS AND RETURNS ANNUAL REPORT 2013/14

MEETING: STANDARDS & AUDIT COMMITTEE

DATE: 6 FEBRUARY 2015

REPORT BY: CHIEF FINANCE OFFICER

WARD: ALL FORUM ALL

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BACKGROUND PAPERS: None

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To receive and consider the external auditor's Certification of Claims and Returns Annual Report for 2013/14.

2. BACKGROUND

2.1 Funding from government grant paying departments is an important income stream for the Council. As part of the grant claim certification process the auditor is required to assess the Council's arrangements for preparing claims and returns.

3. AUDITOR'S REPORT

3.1 The Auditor's report is included as **Attachment 1**. The Auditor will present the report and answer any questions.

4. RECOMMENDATIONS

4.1 That the Committee receives and considers the Certification of Claims and Returns Annual Report for 2013/14.

5. REASON FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

5.1 To comply with statutory requirements

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