

AUDIT AND ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE
27 NOVEMBER 2019

EXTERNAL AUDITOR'S ANNUAL AUDIT LETTER 2018/19

1.0 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To present the External Auditor's Annual Audit Letter for 2018/19 for Newark & Sherwood District Council.
- 1.2 The Annual Audit Letter summarises the key findings from the external audit work carried out by Mazars in 2018/19. It covers the 2018/19 Statement of Accounts and the Value for Money conclusion for the same year.

2.0 Background Information

- 2.1 Mazars presented details of the findings from the audit of the 2018/19 financial statements in their Audit Completion Report at the 24th July 2019 meeting of the Audit & Accounts Committee, and informed Members that they proposed to give an unqualified opinion on the statements.
- 2.2 At the same meeting Mazars also proposed to issue an unqualified opinion on the council's arrangements to secure economy, efficiency and effectiveness – the Value for Money (VfM) conclusion.
- 2.3 Unqualified audit opinions for both of these pieces of work were issued on 31st July 2019.

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS that:-

The Committee consider the External Auditor's Annual Audit Letter for 2018/19

Background Papers

External Auditor's Annual Governance Report 2018/19
N&SDC 2018/19 Opinion and Value for Money Conclusion

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