

By: Cabinet Member for Finance  
Director of Finance  
To: Governance and Audit Committee – 30 June 2010  
Subject: **Kent Superannuation Fund - Audit Plan 2010/11**  
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**Summary:** Each year the Audit Commission must confirm the audit work that it proposes to undertake on the Superannuation Fund, including the amount of fee to be charged.

## **FOR DECISION**

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### **Introduction and background**

1. The Audit Commission are required to notify the Council, as the appointed body for the administration of the Kent Superannuation Fund, as to the nature and scope of work to be undertaken in relation to the audit of the Superannuation Fund. The notification includes the level of fee to be charged.

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2. The letter attached sets out the audit plan and fee for the 2010/2011 financial year. The fee proposed of £50,000 is a reduction from that charged for 2009/2010 (£64,250) although it is 7.6% above the average or “scale” for similar types of audit determined by the Audit Commissions work programme and scales of fees.
3. The fee set takes account of additional work in relation to:
- fund managers that are not covered by the Fund’s custodian arrangements.
  - the many scheduled and admitted bodies of the Fund, increasing the work in relation to Financial Reporting Standard 17 responsibilities and employees’ contributions.
  - the Fund’s significant freehold property portfolio.
  - the Fund’s complex investments.
4. The risk assessment used to determine the proposed fee will be revisited in early 2011, with any changes reported to the Committee.

### **Recommendations**

5. Members are asked to approve the fee proposed

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