

By: Director of Finance
To: Superannuation Fund Committee – 7 March 2008
Subject: **EXTERNAL AUDIT**
Classification: Unrestricted

Summary: To report the external audit arrangements and plan for the 2007-08 accounts.

FOR DECISION

INTRODUCTION

1. Two years ago for the first time the Committee commissioned PricewaterhouseCoopers, as KCC's auditors, to undertake a full audit of the pension fund accounts. At that time PwC were only legally required to express an opinion on the pension fund accounts included in KCC's statutory accounts.

CURRENT POSITION

2. There have been two major changes to the position:
 - (1) DCLG have introduced a statutory requirement for a separate audit of the pension fund accounts from 2008-09 onwards.
 - (2) The Audit Commission have replaced PwC as KCC's auditors for 2007-08 onwards.
3. The Audit Commission's draft plan is attached and the proposed fee is £55,600.

RECOMMENDATION

4. Members are asked to agree the audit plan.

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