

REPORT FOR INFORMATION

SUBJECT: AUDIT COMMISSION SMALL BODIES ANNUAL RETURN
FOR YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2012

REPORT OF: The Lead Officer on behalf of the Advisory Board

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

To report the findings of the external audit for 2011/12.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Joint Committee:

1. Notes the findings of the external audit for 2011/12 in the enclosed Annual Return and Issues Arising Report.

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1. Background

- 1.1 At its meeting on 28th June 2011, the Joint Committee's Executive Sub Committee noted that the Audit Commission's recommendation to appoint BDO LLP had been accepted for a period of two years 2010/11 to 2011/12 inclusive to conduct a Limited Assurance Audit.
- 1.2 The Accounts and Audit Regulation changes for small bodies require the Annual Return to be approved before the end of June. The Joint Committee's Executive Sub Committee approved the unaudited return in June 2012.
- 1.3 Enclosed is the complete audited Annual Return and Issues Arising Report for 2010/12.

2. Recommendations

It is recommended that the Joint Committee:

- i) Notes the findings of the audit in the enclosed Annual Return and Issues Arising Report.