EXTERNAL AUDIT REVIEW OF DATA QUALITY

Corporate Director (Resources)

1 Purpose

1.1 To provide an update on the External Audit review of Data Quality at Aylesbury Vale District Council to the Council's Audit Committee.

2 **Recommendations/for decision**

2.1 The Committee is asked to review and note the contents of the report.

3 Supporting information

- 3.1 As at the date of submission of this report to the Committee, review work is still ongoing on one of the specific BVPIs for the Council. Therefore, the report attached at Appendix A forms a progress report on the Data Quality work to date and presents the External Audit view as of 18 November. This view may be subsequently amended in the light of the continuing review work.
- 3.2 A verbal update will be given to the Committee by the External Auditors at the meeting.
- 3.3 The final Data Quality report from the External Auditors will be presented to a future meeting of the Audit Committee.
- 3.4 Agreed recommendations made by this Audit report will be included in the Audit Recommendations Tracker so that the Committee will be able to monitor progress made in their implementation.
- 3.5 Please note that Officers of the Council have not yet had an opportunity to see the Data Quality Report or respond to any proposed Action Plan. A full Action Plan including agreed responses to any recommendations made will be circulated to the Audit Committee at its next meeting.

4 Reasons for Recommendation

4.1 This report is part of the independent External Audit process. The Audit Committee is expected to receive regular reports from the External Auditors on their current work at AVDC.

5 **Resource implications**

5.1 None.

6 Response to Key Aims and Objectives

6.1 The External Audit review process underpins the Council's own performance management framework which is itself designed to ensure optimum delivery of the key aims and outcomes.

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Background Documents	None.