# **CERTIFICATION OF CLAIMS AND RETURNS ANNUAL REPORT 2017/18**

### 1 Purpose

1.1 To receive a report on the external auditors' work associated with the certification of 2017/18 claims and returns submitted by AVDC.

#### 2 Recommendations/for decision

2.1 The committee is asked to note the contents of the external auditors' certification report (attached).

### **3** Supporting information

- 3.1 The external auditor is required to certify claims and report findings to the Audit Committee.
- 3.2 This year there was only one claim requiring certification. This was:-Housing Benefits Subsidy Claim
- 3.3 The certification work identified a small number of classification errors which were corrected and these had no impact on the subsidy claim.

### 4 Options considered

4.1 None.

## 5 Reasons for Recommendation

5.1 This certification report is required by the Audit Commission under Section 28 of the Audit Commission Act 1998.

### 6 Resource implications

6.1 Contained within the body of the report.

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