

**BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**REPORT TO AUDIT COMMITTEE**

**5 AUGUST 2010**

**REPORT OF THE HEAD OF PROPERTY & FINANCE**

**EXTERNAL AUDIT REPORT – FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUDIT PLAN 31<sup>st</sup> MARCH 2010**

**1. Purpose of Report .**

1.1 The purpose of this report is to present the Council's External Auditor's report on the Financial Statements Audit Plan 31<sup>st</sup> March 2010.

**2. Connection to Corporate Improvement Plan / Other Corporate Priority.**

2.1 This report is consistent with the Council's corporate priorities.

**3. Background.**

3.1 KPMG LLP as appointed auditors of the Council, are responsible for reviewing and reporting on:

- Financial Statements (including the Annual Governance Statement): providing an opinion on the Council's accounts; and
- Use of Resources: concluding on the arrangements in place for securing economy, efficiency and effectiveness in the Council's use of resources.

**4. Current situation / proposal.**

4.1 Attached at Appendix A is the External Auditor's report which describes in detail how KPMG LLP as the Council's appointed External Auditors will deliver their audit work for Bridgend County Borough Council.

**5. Effect upon Policy Framework & Procedure Rules.**

5.1 None as a direct consequence of this report

**6. Legal Implications.**

6.1 There are no legal implications

**7. Financial Implications.**

7.1 As detailed in the body of the report.

**8. Recommendation.**

8.1 That Members of the Audit Committee note the report.

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**21<sup>st</sup> July 2010**

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**Background documents:**

None