

meeting **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

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REPORT OF SERVICE DIRECTOR (FINANCE)

AUDIT COMMISSION'S AUDIT OPINION PLANS 2009/10

Purpose of the Report

1. To inform Members of the External Auditor's Audit Opinion Plans 2009/10 for the County Council and the Nottinghamshire Pension Funds.

Information and Advice

2. The Authority's External Auditor, the Audit Commission, has prepared its Audit Opinion Plans for the Council and the Pension Funds for the financial year 2009/10. Andrew Blackburn and Mike Norman, from the Audit Commission, will be in attendance at the meeting and will present the main features of the Plans, copies of which are attached for Members' information.

Statutory and Policy Implications

3. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of finance, equal opportunities, personnel, crime and disorder and those using the service and where such implications are material they have been described in the text of the report.

Financial Implications

4. The total audit fee for 2009/10 is estimated as £278,500.

RECOMMENDATION

5. That Members receive, and comment on, the External Auditor's Audit Opinion Plans for 2009/10.

**ALAN SUMBY
SERVICE DIRECTOR (FINANCE)**

Background Papers Available for Inspection

Nil.