

**Agenda Item 9
Report PR19/20-20**

Report to	Policy & Resources Committee
Date	28 November 2019
By	Grant Thornton (External Audit)
Title of Report (Note)	External Audit Annual Audit Letter 2018/19

Recommendation: That the Committee:

1) Considers the Annual Audit Letter 2018/19.

I. Audit Plan 2018/19

- I.1 We are required to issue an Annual Audit Letter (**Appendix I**) to summarise the key findings arising from the work that we have carried out at South Downs National Park for the year ended 31 March 2019. It the work and results of our audit of Authority's financial statements and our statutory conclusion on the Authority's arrangements to secure economy, efficiency and effectiveness.
- I.2 The report is a shortened summary of our Audit Findings Report for ease of reference and does not report any new or different findings from those reported to the Policy and Resources Committee meeting in July 2019 within that report.
- I.3 Following consideration of the letter by the Committee the Authority is required to publish the Annual Audit letter, including on the Authority website.

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 Appendices: I. Annual Audit Letter 2018/19