

**North East Derbyshire District Council**

**Council**

**31 January 2022**

**Annual Audit Report 2020-21**

**Report of the Portfolio Holder with Responsibility for Finance**

Classification: This report is public

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**PURPOSE/SUMMARY**

- For Council to consider the Annual Audit Letter in respect of 2020/21 which has been prepared by Mazars for consideration by elected Members of the Council and other stakeholders.

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**RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. That Council considers and notes the attached report from the Council's External Auditors, Mazars.

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**IMPLICATIONS**

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**Finance and Risk**

**Yes**

**No ✓**

There are no additional financial implications arising from this report

On Behalf of the Section 151 Officer

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**Legal including Data Protection**

**Yes**

**No ✓**

There are no legal implications directly arising from this report.

On Behalf of the Solicitor to the Council

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**Staffing**

Yes

No ✓

There are no staffing issues arising directly from this report.

On Behalf of the Head of Paid Service

**DECISION INFORMATION**

<p><b>Is the decision a Key Decision?</b>  A Key Decision is an executive decision which has a significant impact on two or more District wards or which results in income or expenditure to the Council above the following thresholds:  <i>BDC: Revenue - £75,000</i> <input type="checkbox"/>  <i>Capital - £150,000</i> <input type="checkbox"/>  <i>NEDDC: Revenue - £100,000</i> <input type="checkbox"/>  <i>Capital - £250,000</i> <input type="checkbox"/>  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Please indicate which threshold applies</i></p>	N/A
<p><b>Is the decision subject to Call-In?</b>  (Only Key Decisions are subject to Call-In)</p>	N/A
<p><b>Has the relevant Portfolio Holder been informed</b></p>	N/A
<p><b>District Wards Affected</b></p>	All
<p><b>Links to Corporate Plan priorities or Policy Framework</b></p>	All

**REPORT DETAILS****1 Auditor's Annual Report**

1.1 The annual auditor's report summarises the work undertaken by the Council's auditors, Mazars LLP, for the year ended 31 March 2021. It provides an opinion on the financial statements, the Council's value for money arrangements and any other wider reporting responsibilities. The report is attached at Appendix 1 for Council's consideration.

**2 Reasons for Recommendation**

2.1 To ensure that Council is able to effectively consider the outcomes of the work undertaken by the Council's external auditors.

#### **4 Alternative Options and Reasons for Rejection**

4.1 No alternatives available, an appropriate level of consideration by Elected Members and other stakeholders must take place.

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#### **DOCUMENT INFORMATION**

<b>Appendix No</b>	<b>Title</b>
1	Annual Audit Report 2020/21 - Mazars
<b>Background Papers</b> (These are unpublished works which have been relied on to a material extent when preparing the report. They must be listed in the section below. If the report is going to Cabinet (NEDDC) or Executive (BDC) you must provide copies of the background papers)	
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