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**Bedfordshire Fire and Rescue Authority  
Audit and Standards Committee  
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**SUBJECT: ANNUAL AUDIT LETTER FOR YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017**

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Background Papers: None

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Implications (tick ✓):

LEGAL			FINANCIAL	✓
HUMAN RESOURCES			EQUALITY IMPACT	
ENVIRONMENTAL			POLICY	
CORPORATE RISK	Known	✓	OTHER (please specify)	
	New		CORE BRIEF	

*Any implications affecting this report are noted at the end of the report.*

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**PURPOSE:**

To receive and consider the Annual Audit Letter for Year Ended 31 March 2017 received from Ernst & Young, the Fire and Rescue Authority's external auditor.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Members consider the submitted Annual Audit Letter dated October 2017.

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1. Introduction

- 1.1 The submitted Annual Audit Letter for the year ended 31 March 2017 communicates the key issues following completion of the audit procedures carried out by Ernst & Young.

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