

SOUTH LONDON WASTE PARTNERSHIP JOINT COMMITTEE

16 SEPTEMBER 2014

FINAL ACCOUNTS 2013/14

Report by the Director of Finance – Royal Borough of Kingston upon Thames

PURPOSE:

The Accounts and Audit Regulations require the South London Waste Partnership (SLWP) Accounts to be signed off for 2013/14 before they are subject to audit. This was completed by the Joint Committee's on the 10 June 2014. The audit of the accounts was completed within the statutory deadline of 30 September 2014 and the accounts were passed with an unqualified opinion.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. Note the completion of the 2013/14 SLWP accounts audit and the issue of an unqualified opinion.

BACKGROUND

1. Under Section 3 of the Audit Commission Act 1998, the Audit Commission is required to audit the accounts of local government bodies, including Joint Committees of two or more local authorities.
2. It is required that the accounts are subject to the scrutiny and approval of the SLWP Joint Committee before they are subject to audit. This was achieved at the Joint Committee meeting on 10 June 2014. The audit is then required to be complete by 30 September 2013 and a public notice of the conclusion of the audit is required to be displayed on the SLWP website.

ACCOUNTS FOR 2013/14

3. The Audit was completed 6 weeks before the 30 September deadline by PKF Littlejohn LLP and they have issued an unqualified opinion with no exceptions and no recommendations
4. A notice of the conclusion of the audit for 2013/14 has been placed on the SLWP website along with the published 2013/14 accounts.

EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT IMPLICATIONS

5. None

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

6. None

Background papers held by:

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