

Council Meeting – 11 December 2008

## REAPPOINTMENT OF THE EXTERNAL AUDITORS

### Executive summary and recommendations

#### Introduction

#### Decision

The Council is asked to approve the reappointment of Baker Tilly, HPC's existing external auditors for the financial year ending 2008/09.

#### Background information

At their meeting on 26 Sept 2008, the Audit Committee reviewed the Baker Tilly Customer Feedback Questionnaire (completed by the Executive) and recommended that Baker Tilly should continue as the Council's external auditors for the 2008/09 financial year end results – refer minutes Item 6.08/73. The Controller and Auditor General (National Audit Office) relies the work performed by the external auditor in issuing their own audit certificate relating to HPC's financial statements and Annual Report.

Note that Baker Tilly audit the financial statements and annual report for 22/26 Stannary St Ltd, HPC as a whole and prepare the corporate tax return on HPC's behalf.

#### Resource implications

Nil

#### Financial implications

Audit fees of approx £40k per annum

#### Appendices

Nil

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