

AM 672/24

NEW FOREST NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY

AUTHORITY MEETING – 21 MARCH 2024

ERNST & YOUNG - EXTERNAL AUDIT REPORTS

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Summary

This paper contains two reports from our external auditors Ernst & Young LLP. The first (**Annex 1**) is a general update on the audit positions for the 2022/23 and 2023/24 financial years and the second (**Annex 2**) gives an update on the Value for Money work from 2022/23.

Janet Dawson is our current Audit Partner, though will shortly be handing this role over to Simon Mathers, and will attend the meeting with Katie Lean, who is our Audit Manager.

Recommendations:

- 1 To note the external audit update (Annex 1)**
- 2 To approve the Value for Money Report 2022/23 (Annex 2).**

Papers:

NFNPA AM 672/24 – Cover Paper

NFNPA AM 672/24 Annex 1 – External Audit Update

NFNPA AM 672/24 Annex 2 – Value for Money 2022/23

Equality and Diversity Implications:

There are no specific equality or diversity implications arising out of this report.

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