North Essex Parking Partnership

Joint Commitee

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Item

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Report of Treasurer to the Joint Parking

Committee

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Title Annual Statement of Accounts 2011/12

This report presents the audited Annual Return for 2011/12

1. Action required

1.1 To note the publication of the audited Annual Return for 2011/12.

2. Supporting information

- 2.1 The pre-audit draft accounts for the financial year 2011/12 were presented to this Committee on 21 June. The accompanying reports gave information on the major items affecting the 2011/12 accounts.
- 2.2 The Annual Return for 2011/12 was signed by the auditor on 5 September 2012, and is attached as a background paper to this report. This confirms an unqualified opinion.
- 2.3 The Auditor comments in section 3 of the return that the minute reference of the meeting approving the accounts should be included in the completed return. These were not available in time for the submission deadline, but the auditor was provided with this information subsequently.

3. Financial implications

3.1 The publication of the audited return and Notice of Conclusion of Audit meet a statutory requirement for financial reporting and is an important part of the process to demonstrate accountability in the use of public funds.

4. Publicity considerations

4.1 The Notice of Conclusion of Audit and Annual Return have been published on the Colchester Borough Council website. Details of the notice and the Annual Return have been made available to partners.

5. Other standard references

5.1 Having considered consultation, equality, diversity and human rights, health and safety and community safety and risk management implications, there are none that are significant to the matters in this report.

Background Papers

Notice of Conclusion of Audit Annual Return