

## **Report to the Tyne and Wear Trading Standards Joint Committee**

**30 June 2016**

**Provisional Outturn as at 31 March 2016**

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### **Purpose of Report**

1. To advise the Joint Committee of the provisional outturn for 2015/16, subject to the Audit of Gateshead's Accounts and to acknowledge the recent Audit Commission correspondence.

### **Background**

2. The Accounts and Audit Regulations 2011 which classified The Tyne and Wear Trading Standards Joint Committee as a Smaller Relevant Body requiring it to complete an annual return ended in March 2015. The requirement for an annual return to be completed and externally audited has now ended.

From April 2015 onwards the accounts of the Trading Standards Joint Committee will be reviewed as part of Gateshead Councils Final Accounts process.

### **Recommendation**

3. The Joint Committee is recommended to -
  - Be advised of the details contained in the provisional outturn report at Appendix 1 and 2.
  - Acknowledge the Audit Commission correspondence at Appendix 3.

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