

Funding the Future

It's time to hire KPMG to tell you how to...hire KPMG

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Accountancy Age reports:

Almost half of local authorities admitted they are unprepared to appoint auditors, just as the government is preparing to hand over this responsibility following the planned closure of the Audit Commission.

A survey by KMPG showed that, for 44% of chief executives, directors of finance and chairs of audit committees, the issue is "not yet on the radar", and no one on their team had any experience of audit procurement.

So, KPMG undertakes a survey to show that local authorities need to hire their services to help them buy audit services from....well, KPMG.

Gravy train, anyone?

Just as George ordered, of course.