

AC8. ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT 2013/14

The committee considered a report by the Chief Executive presenting the Annual Governance Statement for inclusion in the Council's 2013/14 Annual Accounts.

The report summarised:-

- The arrangements for reporting on the Council's governance framework for the year to 31 March 2014; and
- The six principles of good governance as defined in the 2007 Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA) and the Society of Local Authority Chief Executives (SOLACE) guidance 'Delivering Good Governance in Local Government'.

A draft Annual Governance Statement was attached as an Appendix.

Members sought clarification on the review of the Council's decision making structure. Councillors Coleman and Carleschi raised concerns and requested the minuting of their dissent at the lack of pace of the review.

Decision

The committee:-

- (1) noted the Council's governance arrangements and the Annual Governance Statement; and**
- (2) agreed the Annual Governance Statement.**