

AC18. Annual Governance Statement 2015/16

The committee considered a report by the Chief Executive presenting the Annual Governance Statement for inclusion in the Council's 2015/16 Annual Accounts.

The report summarised:-

- the arrangements for reporting on the Council's governance framework for the year to 31 March 2016; and
- the six principles of good governance as defined in the 2007 CIPFA and SOLACE guidance "Delivering Good Governance in Local Government".

A draft Annual Assurance Statement was provided.

The Director of Corporate and Housing Services gave a summary of progress in regard to the key projects which formed the Business Transformation project.

Decision

The Committee approved the draft Annual Governance Statement and noted:-

- (1) the Council's compliance with requirements for an annual review of the effectiveness of the Council's system of internal control, and inclusion of an Annual Governance Statement in the Annual Accounts; and**
- (2) that the Annual Governance Statement will form part of the Council's 2015/16 Annual Accounts.**