

Audit and Standards Committee

9th September 2015

Annual Governance Statement 2014/2015

Recommendation

That the Committee endorses the Annual Governance Statement for 2014/15 prior to submission to Cabinet and Council.

1.0 Key Issues

- 1.1 The Accounts and Audit (England) Regulations 2011 require the authority to conduct a review, at least once in a year, of the effectiveness of its system of internal control and to prepare an Annual Governance Statement (AGS).
- 1.2 The results of the review and resulting AGS was considered at the June meeting of the Committee in order that a proposed AGS could be made available to the external auditors. The draft statement was endorsed by the committee. Feedback from external auditors has been positive and no changes are required to the draft statement endorsed by the Committee in June.
- 1.3 The Committee is asked to confirm that the proposed AGS (**Appendix 1**) continues to be appropriate taking into account the results of the external audit and the content of the Authority's accounts which are also on the agenda for this meeting. Following consideration by the Committee the AGS will be submitted to Cabinet on 10 September and to Council on 24 September.

2.0 Background Papers

- 2.1 There are no background papers to this report.

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