

Audit and Standards Committee

26 January 2023

2021/22 Annual Governance Statement

Recommendations

That the Audit & Standards Committee endorse the 2021/22 Annual Governance Statement prior to submission to Council for approval.

1. Executive Summary

- 1.1 This report presents the 2021/22 Annual Governance Statement (AGS) for endorsement at Appendix 1.
- 1.2 It has been assessed, as a result of the AGS evaluation and assurance gathering process, that there are no significant governance issues or governance failures to report.
- 1.3 The results of the review and the draft AGS were considered and endorsed by the Audit and Standards Committee at its meeting on 19 May 2022. Since then, the draft AGS has been kept in review, but no further changes have been required.

2. Financial Implications

- 2.1 None.

3. Environmental Implications

- 3.1 None.

4. Supporting Information

- 4.1 None.

5. Timescales associated with the decision and next steps

- 5.1 The Annual Governance Statement will be submitted to Council on the 7 February 2023, alongside the Council's financial statements, for approval and

certification.

Appendices

1. Appendix 1 – Draft Annual Governance Statement

Background Papers

1. None.

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