

PART A: MATTERS DEALT WITH UNDER DELEGATED POWERS

REPORT TO: POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

DATE: 26 JULY 2018

REPORT OF THE: CHIEF FINANCE OFFICER (\$151)

ANTON HODGE

TITLE OF REPORT: 2017-18 STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

WARDS AFFECTED: ALL

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 The purpose of this report is to present the Council's Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2018 and to request this committee's approval of the Statement of Accounts.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION

2.1 It is recommended that members approve the 2017-18 Statement of Accounts (Appendix A) and authorise the Chief Finance Officer (s151) and the Chairman of the Policy & Resources Committee to sign the letter of representation (Appendix B)

3.0 REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 The Accounts and Audit Regulations require the Statement of Accounts to be approved by members by the 31 July. This has been moved from 30 September last year.
- 3.2 The Council's external auditors, KPMG LLP, have concluded the audit of accounts for 2017-18 and have issued their final report to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee on the 25 July 2018. That report is attached at Appendix C

4.0 SIGNIFICANT RISKS

4.1 There are no significant risks in considering this report.

5.0 POLICY CONTEXT AND CONSULTATION

5.1 The Statement of Accounts has been produced in accordance with the Accounts and Audit (England) Regulations 2015 and, more specifically, the CIPFA Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting in the United Kingdom 2017-18.

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6.0 REPORT DETAILS

- 6.1 The Statement of Accounts are attached to this report at Appendix A, members will find a review of the Council's financial position on page 5 of the Statement.
- 6.2 On satisfactory completion of a number of outstanding matters, KPMG LLP anticipate issuing an unmodified audit opinion on the truth and fairness of the financial statements and value for money conclusion.

7.0 IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 The following implications have been identified:
 - a) Financial There are no financial implications regarding this report.
 - b) Legal There are no legal implications regarding this report.
 - c) OtherNone to report.

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Background Papers:

None.