

# ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT (AGS) FRAMEWORK

## Governance Framework – Key Documents/Functions

- Sustainable Community Strategy
- Local Area Agreement
- Constitution
- Corporate Plan
- Service Planning Framework
- Business Transformation Projects
- Community Engagement Strategy
- Communication Strategy
- ICT Strategy
- Human Resources Strategy
- Performance Management Framework
- Schedule of Council Meetings
- Council Procedure Rules
- Record of Decisions
- Partnership Working Toolkit
- Code of Conduct for Members
- Members Induction and Training Programme
- Code of Conduct for Employees
- Officer and Member Protocols
- Confidential Reporting Policy
- Code of Corporate Governance
- Risk Management Strategy
- Anti-Fraud and Corruption Policy
- Capital Projects Methodology
- Information Governance
- Procurement Strategy
- Contract Procedure Rules
- Medium Term Financial Plan/Budgets
- Treasury Management Framework
- Annual Statement of Accounts
- Financial Procedure Rules
- Scheme of Delegation
- Complaints Process
- Equalities Plan

## Annual Governance Statement

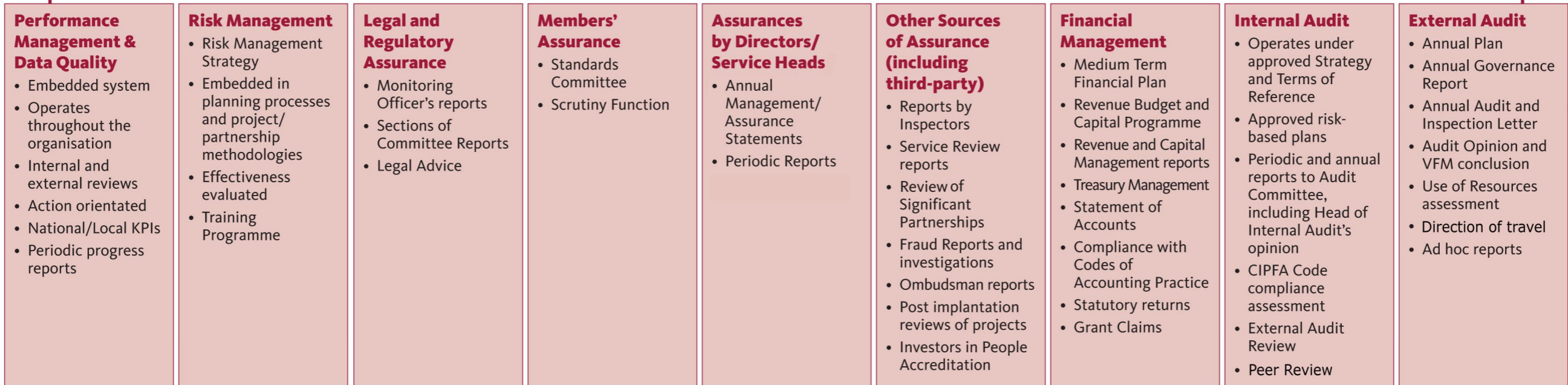
Signed by the Leader of the Council and Chief Executive and published with the Statement of Accounts

Independent review and approval by Audit Committee who examine draft AGS and supporting evidence

Review of the effectiveness of the system of Internal Audit

Authority & Directorate Policies, Business Plans and Risk Registers

Corporate Governance Group with responsibility for drafting AGS after evaluating assurances and supporting evidence



Ongoing assurance on adequacy and effectiveness of controls over key risks