



Audit & Finance Committee

26 September 2024

Annual Governance Statement 2023/24

Report of Deputy Chief Executive

Purpose of the Report

1. The purpose of this report is to provide members with details of the 2023/24 Annual Governance Statement (AGS) for approval.

Annual Governance Statement

2. The AGS sets out the Authority's approach to corporate governance and identifies the key governance risks that have been identified throughout the year. Identification of governance risks is informed by the work of internal audit and managements own assessment of the key risks that may impact on the effective governance of the Authority.
3. The AGS reflects the requirements of the Delivering Good Governance in Local Government Framework (2016), which replaced the corresponding 2007 Framework.
4. The Audit and Finance Committee has delegated authority to approve the Annual Governance Statement.

Recommendations

5. Members are requested to **approve** the 2023/24 Annual Governance Statement.