AUDIT COMMITTEE

DATE OF MEETING: 22 MARCH 2022

TITLE OF REPORT:ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT 2020/21Report of:Joint Chief Executive and Monitoring OfficerCabinet Member:Councillor: James Radley, Finance and Corporate
Services

I PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 The purpose of this report is to inform the Committee of the content of the final Annual Governance Statement for 2020/21 and seek its approval.

2 OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

2.1 That the Committee approves the Annual Governance Statement 2020/21.

3 BACKGROUND

3.1 The Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015, require Local Authorities to prepare and publish an Annual Governance Statement on an annual basis. The statement is prepared in accordance with the revised CIPFA/SOLACE Framework "Delivering Good Governance 2016".

4 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1 There are no direct financial implications arising from this report

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APPENDICES:

Appendix I – Draft Annual Governance Statement 2020/21