



Derby City Council

**AUDIT & ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE**  
**18 July 2017**

Report of the Director of Governance &  
Monitoring Officer

# ITEM 9

## **Annual Governance Statement to accompany the Statement of Accounts 2015/2016**

### **SUMMARY**

- 1.1 An Annual Governance Statement is required to support the Statement of Accounts 2015/2016.
- 1.2 Audit & Accounts Committee will be updated by the Interim Director of Finance at the meeting on the progress of the audit of the 2015/2016 Statement of Accounts.
- 1.3 It is proposed that given the passage of time, the Committee accepts the Interim Annual Governance presented to the meeting on 29<sup>th</sup> March 2017, as the Annual Governance Statement for the period 2015/2016. It is however acknowledged that this same document also addresses a number of issues which have arisen during the 2016/2017 period.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

- 2.1 To accept the Interim Annual Governance Statement presented to the Audit & Accounts Committee on 29<sup>th</sup> March 2017, as the Annual Governance Statement for the year 2015/2016.
- 2.2 To note that the said Annual Governance Statement also addresses a number of issues which have arisen during the 2016/2017 period given the passage of time and the delays in presenting the 2015/2016 Statement of Accounts.

### **REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION**

- 3.1 An Annual Governance is required to support the Council's Statement of Accounts.

### **SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

- 4.1 Given the delays with the preparation of the 2015/2016 Statement of Accounts, the Audit & Accounts Committee has received successive updates to the Annual Governance Statement on 28<sup>th</sup> September 2016, and 30<sup>th</sup> November 2016 and 29<sup>th</sup> March 2017.

- 4.2 Given the passage of time, it is considered that it is no longer possible to update the Annual Governance Statement relating to 2015/2016.
- 4.3 The Interim Annual Governance Statement has previously been presented with comprehensive supporting material to the Audit & Accounts Committee meetings on 28<sup>th</sup> September 2016, 30<sup>th</sup> November 201, and 29<sup>th</sup> March 2017.
- 4.4 This document does contain significant material which relates to the year 2016/2017, and an updating Annual Governance Statement will be presented to a future meeting of the Audit & Accounts Committee alongside the accounts for 2016/2017.

## OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 5.1 None

**This report has been approved by the following officers:**

<b>Legal officer</b> <b>Financial officer</b> <b>Human Resources officer</b> <b>Estates/Property officer</b> <b>Service Director(s)</b> <b>Other(s)</b>	Janie Berry, Director of Governance & Monitoring Officer Mark Taylor, Interim Director of Finance & s151    Paul Robinson, Chief Executive
<b>For more information contact:</b> <b>Background papers:</b>           <b>List of appendices:</b>	Janie Berry 01332 643616 janie.berry@derby.gov.uk Audit & Accounts Committee Agenda and Minutes for the meetings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 28<sup>th</sup> September 2016;  <a href="https://cmis.derby.gov.uk/cm5/MeetingsCalendar/tabid/73/ctl/ViewMeetingPublic/mid/410/Meeting/8481/Committee/1894/Default.aspx">https://cmis.derby.gov.uk/cm5/MeetingsCalendar/tabid/73/ctl/ViewMeetingPublic/mid/410/Meeting/8481/Committee/1894/Default.aspx</a></li> <li>• 30<sup>th</sup> November 2016;  <a href="https://cmis.derby.gov.uk/cm5/MeetingsCalendar/tabid/73/ctl/ViewMeetingPublic/mid/410/Meeting/8482/Committee/1894/Default.aspx">https://cmis.derby.gov.uk/cm5/MeetingsCalendar/tabid/73/ctl/ViewMeetingPublic/mid/410/Meeting/8482/Committee/1894/Default.aspx</a> and</li> <li>• 29<sup>th</sup> March 2017  <a href="https://cmis.derby.gov.uk/cm5/MeetingsCalendar/tabid/73/ctl/ViewMeetingPublic/mid/410/Meeting/8621/Committee/1894/Default.aspx">https://cmis.derby.gov.uk/cm5/MeetingsCalendar/tabid/73/ctl/ViewMeetingPublic/mid/410/Meeting/8621/Committee/1894/Default.aspx</a></li> </ul> Appendix 1 – Implications

<b>IMPLICATIONS</b>
---------------------

**Financial and Value for Money**

1.1 None directly arising

**Legal**

2.1 None directly arising

**Personnel**

3.1 None directly arising

**IT**

4.1 None directly arising

**Equalities Impact**

5.1 None directly arising

**Health and Safety**

6.1 None directly arising

**Environmental Sustainability**

7.1 None directly arising

**Property and Asset Management**

8.1 None directly arising

**Risk Management and Safeguarding**

9.1 None directly arising

**Corporate objectives and priorities for change**

10.1 None directly arising

