CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AUDIT AND STANDARDS COMMITTEE 28 MARCH 2022

AUDIT MANAGER REPORT NO. AUD 22/03

ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT – 2020/21 UPDATE

SUMMARY:

This report sets out the updated Annual Governance Statement 2020/21 following the revision to the Audit Opinion 2020/21.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Members are requested to note the revision to the Council's Annual Governance Statement 2020/21.

1 Introduction

- 1.1 The Annual Governance Statement (AGS) for 2020/21 was presented to the Committee on 27 September 2021 (FIN2117) by the Executive Head of Finance.
- 1.2 Consequent to the revision to the Audit Opinion 2020/21 (AUD2202) from "no opinion" to a "limitation of scope opinion", it has been necessary to update the AGS to reflect that revision.

2 Conclusion

2.1 Members should note that the revision to the Audit Opinion 2020/21 is recorded as a Governance Issue Action, which is on P31 of the AGS.

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