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28<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2002

# **REVISED STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 2000/01**

## REPORT OF THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

## 1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The revised Statement of Accounts was given an unqualified audit opinion by the District Auditor on 14<sup>th</sup> December 2001.
- 1.2 The Accounts and Audit regulations 1996 require the Council to approve the changes made to the draft accounts following the audit.
- 1.3 Attached to this report is a full copy of the Statement of Accounts for 2000/2001, and additional copies have been lodged in the Members' area.

## 2. <u>SUMMARY</u>

- 2.1 At its meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2001 the Cabinet approved a report on the draft Statement of Accounts of the Authority for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2001. The accounts were presented subject to audit.
- 2.2 The District Auditor has now completed the audit of the accounts and has given an unqualified opinion on them, commenting in his annual audit letter for 2000/2001 that the standard of the accounts was again generally good. The only changes made during the audit were presentational, and have not affected the Council's overall financial standing. Consequently there are no issues on the accounts that the auditor wishes to draw to the attention of members.

### 3. <u>RECOMMENDATIONS</u>

3.1 Cabinet is recommended to note the revised Statement of Accounts for 2000/2001.

### 4. FINANCIAL AND LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1 This report is concerned exclusively with financial issues.

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