ALL WARDS



CABINET 10 MARCH, 2003

REVISED STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 2001/02

REPORT OF THE CHIEF FINANCE OFFICER

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The Accounts and Audit regulations 1996 require the Authority to receive a report on changes made to the draft accounts following the audit.
- 1.2 The revised Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2002 was given an unqualified audit opinion by the District Auditor on 20th December 2002.
- 1.3 Each member of the Cabinet has already received a copy of the accounts for 2001/02, and additional copies have been lodged in the Members' area.

2. SUMMARY

- 2.1 At its meeting on 26th September 2002 the Council approved a report on the draft Statement of Accounts of the Authority, following the consideration of the accounts by Cabinet at its meeting on 23rd September. The Council noted that any changes arising from the audit would be reported to the Cabinet, and would not need to be reported to full Council unless they were of a material nature.
- 2.2 The District Auditor has now completed the audit of accounts and has given an unqualified opinion on them. The only changes made during the audit were of a presentational nature 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. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

3.1 Cabinet is recommended to note the revised Statement of Accounts for 2001/02

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1 This report is exclusively concerned with financial issues.

5. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

| Other implications | Yes/No | Paragraph referred |
|-----------------------------|--------|--------------------|
| Equal Opportunities | No | - |
| Sustainable & Environmental | No | - |
| Crime & Disorder | No | - |
| Human Rights Act | No | - |
| Elderly People / People on | No | - |
| Low Income | | |

6. **CONSULTATIONS**

None.

7. BACKGROUND PAPERS - LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

None.

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DECISION STATUS

| Key Decision | No |
|--------------|---------------------|
| Reason | N/A |
| Appeared in | No |
| Forward Plan | |
| Executive or | Executive (Cabinet) |
| Council | |
| Decision | |