

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 2018/19 - ESTABLISHMENT OF MEMBER WORKING GROUP

Audit Committee - 21 May 2019

Report of Chief Finance Officer

Status For Decision

Key Decision No

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Recommendation to Audit Committee: That a Member Working group be set up, to review the 2018/19 draft Statement of Accounts with delegated authority to recommend changes to the draft whilst ensuring adherence to statutory regulations for the purposes of reporting back to the Audit Committee.

Introduction and Background

- 1 The overall timetable reducing the time available to produced audited financial statements was introduced for 2017/18 so that the draft Statement of Accounts must be prepared by 31 May, audited and approved by members by 31 July.
- 2 For a number of years a Member Working Group has been set up to look at the draft Statement of Accounts, with the authority to recommend changes whilst ensuring that they still adhere to the statutory regulations and report back to the July Audit Committee.
- 3 As the Statement of Accounts are very detailed, the working group should give the wider Committee greater confidence in approving the Statements of Account.
- 4 The working group should meet in June and then report to the audit committee in July.
- 5 Members of last year's working group were Cllrs. Grint, Reay, McArthur, and Searles.

Key Implications

Financial

None directly arising from this report.

Legal Implications and Risk Assessment Statement.

None directly arising from this report.

Equality Assessment

The decisions recommended through this paper have a remote or low relevance to the substance of the Equality Act. There is no perceived impact on end users.

Appendices	None
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Background Papers	None
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