## **ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT ACTION PLAN 2015/16**

## **Essential Reference Paper 'B'**

## Required enhancements to internal control arrangements:

Issue	Resp. Off.	Initial Target Dates	Actions needed to achieve milestone	Current position	RAG Status
Asset Management Plan	CMT	December 2015 for draft plan to CMT, with submission to Executive by March 2016.	Review strategy for each asset held by the Council to provide an outcome for each one.	Asset Management Plan considered by CMT, Asset Management Working Group, Corporate Business Scrutiny Committee and approved by the Executive on 5 April 2016.	GREEN
			<ul> <li>Review Asset Management Plan in line with RICS guidance.</li> </ul>	As above.	GREEN
			<ul> <li>Assess the requirements of an Asset Management IT system and begin procurement.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Reporting tool purchased and will be implemented during 2016/17.</li> </ul>	GREEN

Impact of Welfare Reform changes	CMT	April 2016 Revised to October 2016	<ul> <li>Impending Legislation will have an adverse financial impact on a significant number of residents.</li> <li>Provide residents more support for services across the Council to staffing levels, manage the budget and the public expectations.</li> <li>Implement Council policies effectively.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Unable to put SMART targets in place until it is clear when and how this is going to impact. The Impact of Welfare Reform changes is recognised as a specific Strategic Risk. Revenues &amp; Benefits have this area under constant review.</li> <li>The lowering of the Benefit CAP will not now be introduced until the autumn of 2016.</li> </ul>	AMBER
Development of a District Plan that is approved by the planning inspectorate.	CMT	March 2016 Revised to October 2016	Pre-submission document agreed for consultation.	A Local Development     Scheme (LDS) will be     submitted to the District     Plan Executive Panel of     24 May 2016 which will     set out a revised timeline     for the adoption of the     Plan. This will propose     publication of the pre-	AMBER

		submission document in October 2016 with consultation in the period up to Christmas 2016.	
October 2016 Revised to March 2017	Submission document agreed and submitted to PINS.	The ability to advance this action is dependent on a number of factors including: the level of response to consultation and the issues raised; the resolution of outstanding infrastructure concerns; and ongoing discussions under the Duty-to-Cooperate. Risks to the timeline will be minimised through ongoing work with stakeholders and DCLG/PINS.	AMBER
February 2017 Revised to June 2017	Examination of Plan.	<ul> <li>Examination of the Plan will commence in accordance with a timeline issued by PINS.</li> </ul>	AMBER

		More detailed assessment of the risks at this stage will be possible following the release of the submission version of the Plan. Action would be taken, as appropriate, to reduce any identified risks.	
May 2017 Revised to December 2017	Adoption of District Plan	<ul> <li>Adoption of the District Plan will be dependent on the outcome of the Examination. More detailed assessment of the risks at this stage will be possible following the release of the submission version of the Plan. Action would be taken, as appropriate, to reduce any identified risks.</li> </ul>	AMBER