

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.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Review strategy for each asset held by the Council to provide an outcome for each one.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Action by Strategic Finance has commenced.	AMBER
			<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Review Asset Management Plan in line with RICS guidance.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Action by Strategic Finance has commenced.	AMBER
			<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Assess the requirements of an Asset Management IT system and begin procurement.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Action by Strategic Finance has commenced.	AMBER
Impact of Welfare Reform changes	CMT	April 2016 is the likely start date for	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Impending Legislation will have an adverse financial impact on a significant number of residents.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Unable to put SMART targets in place until it is clear when and how this is going to impact. The	AMBER

		legislation to take effect.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide residents more support for services across the Council to staffing levels, manage the budget and the public expectations. • Implement Council policies effectively. 	Impact of Welfare Reform changes is recognised as a specific Strategic Risk. Revenues & Benefits have this area under constant review. Further information may become available following the Autumn Statement by the Chancellor.	
Development of a District Plan that is approved by the planning inspectorate.	CMT	March 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-submission document agreed for consultation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action by Planning & Building Control has commenced. 	AMBER
		October 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Submission document agreed and submitted to PINS. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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- 	AMBER

		February 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Examination of Plan. 	<p>Cooperate. Risks to the timeline will be minimised through ongoing work with stakeholders and DCLG/PINS.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Examination of the Plan will commence in accordance with a timeline issued by PINS. 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. 	AMBER
		May 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adoption of District Plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adoption of the District Plan will be dependent on the outcome of the Examination. More detailed assessment of 	AMBER

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