

<b>Bath &amp; North East Somerset Council</b>		
MEETING:	<b>Corporate Audit Committee</b>	
MEETING DATE:	<b>29th September 2011</b>	<b>AGENDA ITEM NUMBER</b>
TITLE:	<b>BATH &amp; NORTH EAST SOMERSET COUNCIL AUDITED STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 2010/11</b>	EXECUTIVE FORWARD PLAN REFERENCE:  <b>E</b>
<b>AN OPEN PUBLIC ITEM</b>		
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## **1 THE ISSUE**

1.1 The Annual Accounts (Audited Statement of Accounts) for 2010/11 have been formally prepared and this report introduces and summarises the Council's Accounts for 2010/11.

## **2 RECOMMENDATION**

2.1 The Committee is asked to:

Approve the audited Statement of Accounts for 2010/11 after receiving the Governance Reports from the Audit Commission for the Council and Pension Fund.

## **3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

3.1 The Council's Statement of Accounts sets out the Income and Expenditure for the 2010/11 financial year together with the Balance Sheet and all related supporting information.

## **4 COUNCIL'S ACCOUNTS**

4.1 This is the first year that the statement of accounts has been produced in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS). The presentation of the accounts is different from those previously presented under UK GAAP regulations and there are a substantial number of technical changes. The 2009/10 accounts have been restated in accordance with IFRS requirements for comparison purposes.

4.2 The work carried out by the Audit Commission has resulted in a number of presentational changes to the statement of accounts which was produced in June. However the Council's Balance Sheet and Useable Reserves remain unchanged.

4.3 The foreword to the accounts on pages 2 – 8 gives an overview of the financial position as set out in the accounts in the detailed statements and notes.

## **5 AVON PENSION FUND**

5.1 The Pension Fund accounts now comply with the CIPFA Code of Practice based on International Financial Reporting Standards. In compliance with this, contributions paid to the Fund by B&NES Council and payments paid to B&NES pensioners are disclosed separately.

5.2 There have been some presentational and technical changes to the Pension Fund accounts that were presented to the Pensions Committee in June. The main changes are:

- i) The cost of the Triennial Valuation of £134,000 has been charged to administration costs in 2010/11 rather than being deferred over the period to which the valuation applies.
- ii) An additional Note (note 23) has been included to disclose the Fund's holdings of financial instruments and related income, expenses, gains and losses.

## **6 RISK MANAGEMENT**

6.1 The Council's ongoing financial situation is an identified risk that is regularly monitored.

## **7 RATIONALE**

7.1 This report is a mandatory requirement of the Local Authority Accounting Code of Practice.

## **8 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

8.1 None as this report is a statutory requirement.

## **9 CONSULTATION**

9.1 Consultation has been carried out with the Section 151 Finance Officer.

## 10 ISSUES TO CONSIDER IN REACHING THE DECISION

10.1 No decision as this is a statutory requirement.

## 11 ADVICE SOUGHT

11.1 The Council's Section 151 Officer has had the opportunity to input to this report and has cleared it for publication.

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<b>Background papers</b>	None
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