



Report of the Section 151 Officer

Council – 28 September 2017

Statement of Accounts 2016/17

Purpose:	The Council is required to approve the 2016/17 accounts on or before 30 th September 2017.
Policy Framework:	Budget and Accounts 2016/17.
Consultation:	Legal, Finance and Access to Services.
Recommendation(s):	It is recommended that the 2016/17 Statement of Accounts in Appendix A be approved.
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Legal Officer:	Debbie Smith
Access to Services Officer:	Sherill Hopkins

1.0 Introduction

1.1 The Statement of Accounts for the year 2016/17 is attached in Appendix A and is recommended to Council for approval.

2.0 Timetable for completion and audit of the 2016/17 accounts

2.1 The key dates in relation to the 2016/17 accounts process are as follows:-

12 th June 2017	The draft Statement of Accounts was completed and certified by the Section 151 Officer in line with the requirements of the Accounts and Audit Regulations.
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26 th September 2017	Audit Committee will consider the Auditor's reports.
28 th September 2017	Council is asked to formally approve the 2016/17 Statement of Accounts.
30 th September 2017	Statutory date for the completion of the external audit of the Statement of Accounts.

3. Changes to the format and content of the Statement of Accounts

3.1 There are no changes to the format and content of the 2016/17 Statement of Accounts.

4.0 Financial Implications

4.1 There are no direct financial implications arising from this report.

5.0 Legal Implications

5.1 There are no legal implications associated with this report.

6. Equalities and Engagement Implications

6.1 There are no Equalities or Engagement implications associated with this report.

Background Papers: None.

Appendices: Statement of Accounts given as an Appendix A to the Council Agenda