

LOCAL CODE OF CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

Item AU 25/29 referred from Audit Committee of 21 July 2025

The joint report of the Chief Executive and the Director of Central Services informed Members of the outcome of the annual review of the Local Code of Corporate Governance.

The Local Code was last reviewed in July 2024. The proposed changes to the Local Code were to reflect a small number of minor updates within the past year and a revised Code was attached at Annex 1 to the report.

Reference was made to a previous request that litigation be included in future to demonstrate that checks were undertaken to ensure that procedures were being followed and were reviewed to ensure their effectiveness in determining the outcome, which implementation was impacted due to conflicting priorities within Legal Services but would be progressed in due course.

Furthermore, it was suggested that links to published documents referenced in the Local Code of Corporate Governance be included when the Code was reviewed and published in the future.

It was proposed by Councillor Cannon (Chair), seconded by Councillor Clokey and the Audit Committee

RECOMMENDED*: That the updates and amendments to the Local Code of Corporate Governance, as set out at Annex 1 to the report, be approved and commended to Council for adoption.

***Recommended to Council**