Annual Governance Statement 2020/21 Action Plan

The following actions to address significant governance issues have been agreed and updates will be provided during 2021/22.

Principle A

| Action | Action Owner | Deadline | Updates |
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| To ensure full implementation of officer interests and gifts | Director L&A | March 2022 | |
| To complete the implementation of agreed workstreams and proposals from the good governance review. | Chief Executive | March 2022 | |
| To review the scheme of delegation as part of the good governance review | Director L&A | March 2022 | |

Principle B

| Action | Action Owner | Deadline | Updates |
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| Implement actions arising from the Good Governance Review | Chief Executive | March 2022 | |
| Implement relevant governance actions on openness, culture and collaborative working from Improvement Plan for FRS | CFO | March 2022 | |
| Implement actions from the Children First Improvement Plan relating to partnership working | Executive Director CS | March 2022 | |
| Complete project on partnership and community engagement arrangements as part of good governance review | Director of Communities | March 2022 | |
| Complete work on equality impact assessment in decision making | Director L&A | March 2022 | |
| Complete promotion and training linked to revised whistleblowing policy. | Director L&A | March 2022 | |
| Implement final proposals and actions from review of scrutiny and learning from good governance review | Director L&A | March 2022 | |

Principle C

| Action | Action Owner | Deadline | Updates |
|--|---|---------------|---------|
| Complete arrangements for monitoring and reporting corporate performance relating to Our Council Plan priorities | Chief Executive | March 2022 | |
| Implement plans for member roles in performance management arrangements | Director L&A & Director F&SS | March 2022 | |
| Completion of governance for climate change strategy | Director of Environment & Public Protection | March 2022 | |
| Develop arrangements for reporting and monitoring output from the new Economic Strategy | Executive Director Place | March 2022 | |

Principle D

| Action | Action | Deadline | Updates |
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| | Owner | | |
| Children's Improvement Plan | Executive | March | |
| implementation | Director CS | 2022 | |
| Fire and Rescue Improvement | CFO | March | |
| Plan implementation | | 2022 | |
| Implementation of new | Chief | March | |
| corporate performance and | Executive | 2022 | |
| business planning processes | | | |
| against the Council Plan | | | |
| Review of Officer executive | Director L&A | March | |
| Boards governance | | 2022 | |
| Review of capital governance | Director L&A | March | |
| arrangements | & Director | 2022 | |
| | F&SS | | |

Principle E

| Action | Action Owner | Deadline | Updates |
|--|---------------------|---------------|---------|
| leadership skill development | Director HR & OD | March 2022 | |
| People Framework roll out and implementation | Director HR & OD | March 2022 | |
| Member skills development following good governance review and scrutiny review | Director L&A | March 2022 | |
| Complete delivery of programme for member skills | Director L&A | March 2022 | |

| Action | Action Owner | Deadline | Updates |
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| and knowledge post May 2021 election | | | |

Principle F

| Action | Action Owner | Deadline | Updates |
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| Finalise review and plans for corporate risk register oversight and monitoring in light of performance management changes. | Director F&SS | March 2022 | |
| Refresh compliance and consistency in scheme of onward delegation from Directors | Director L&A | March 2022 | |

Principle G

| Action | Action Owner | Deadline | Updates |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|----------|---------|
| Internal audit recommendations | | March | |
| for governance | | 2022 | |

Key

CFO = Chief Fire Officer

Director F&SS = Director of Finance and Support Services

 ${\sf Director\; HR\;\&\; OD\; =\; Director\; Human\; Resources\; and\; Organisational\; Development}$

Director L&A = Director of Law and Assurance

Executive Director CS = Executive Director Children, Families and Learning