

Decision Maker: COUNCIL

Date: 23 September 2013

Decision Type: Non-Urgent Non-Executive Non-Key

Title: CODE OF CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

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Ward: N/A

1. Reason for report

1.1 At its meeting on 17th July 2013 the General Purposes and Licensing Committee considered and approved a revised Code of Corporate Governance for adoption by full Council. This had previously been considered by Audit Sub-Committee on 6th June 2013. The revised Code removes some of the duplication in the previous version (agreed by Council in April 2011) and takes account of the key elements that need to be included in the Annual Governance Statement.

1.2 The report considered by the Committee is attached – the old Code, with the changes made by officers and by Audit Sub-Committee at its meeting on 6th June 2013 showing, is attached at appendix 1; the new, revised Code is attached at appendix 2.

2. RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopts the revised Code of Corporate Governance (appendix 2 to the attached report.)

Corporate Policy

1. Policy Status: Existing Policy:
 2. BBB Priority: Excellent Council:
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Financial

1. Cost of proposal: No Cost:
 2. Ongoing costs: Not Applicable:
 3. Budget head/performance centre: Internal Audit
 4. Total current budget for this head: £552k, including £250k net cost for fraud partnership
 5. Source of funding: General Fund, Admin Subsidy, Admin Penalties, legal cost recoveries, provision of sold services to academies.
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Staff

1. Number of staff (current and additional): 6.4fte, including 0.5fte to cover risk management
 2. If from existing staff resources, number of staff hours: 208 days per quarter
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Legal

1. Legal Requirement: Non-Statutory - Government Guidance:
 2. Call-in: Not Applicable: This report does not involve an executive decision
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Customer Impact

1. Estimated number of users/beneficiaries (current and projected): Not Applicable
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Ward Councillor Views

1. Have Ward Councillors been asked for comments? Not Applicable
2. Summary of Ward Councillors comments: Not Applicable

Non-Applicable Sections:	Policy/Financial/Legal/Personnel
Background Documents: (Access via Contact Officer)	See attached report