STATEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

The Authority's responsibilities -

The Authority is required to:

- Make arrangements for the proper administration of its financial affairs and to secure that one of its officers has the responsibility for the administration of those affairs. In this authority, that officer is the Section 151 Officer.
- Manage its affairs to secure economic, efficient and effective use of resources and safeguard its assets.
- Approve the Statement of Accounts.

The Section 151 Officer's responsibilities -

The Section 151 Officer is responsible for the preparation of the Authority's Statement of Accounts in accordance with proper practices as set out in the CIPFA/LASAAC Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting in the United Kingdom (the Code).

In preparing this Statement of Accounts, the Section 151 Officer has:

- selected suitable accounting policies and then applied them consistently
- made judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- complied with the local authority Code.

The Section 151 Officer has also:

- kept proper accounting records which are up to date
- taken reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Certificate of the Section 151 Officer

I certify that the statement of accounts gives a true and fair view of the financial position of the Council as at the 31st March 2016 and the Council's income and expenditure as at this date.

Martin Hone CPFA Chief Financial Officer

Date 20 September 2016