Committee: Performance and Audit Agenda Item

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Title: Annual Governance Report 2011/12

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## **Summary**

1. Attached is the Annual Governance Report by the District Auditor, Debbie Hanson of the Audit Commission. The report summarises the outcomes of the 2011/12 audit. The auditors will attend the Committee to present the report and answer Members' questions.

- 2. The Assistant Chief Executive Finance has been consulted on the report and is content that it reflects a fair summary of the outcomes from the audit process. The Assistant Chief Executive Finance's advice to Members is that the content of the report and its appendices can be approved.
- As at the time of issuing this report (18 September) the audit was believed to be complete. It is possible that additional issues may arise before the Committee meeting, if so these will be verbally reported.

## Recommendations

- 4. As specified by the District Auditor in her report (page 4), Members are recommended to:
  - a) note the adjustments to the financial statements included in the report (Appendix 2)
  - b) approve the letter of representation (Appendix 3)
  - c) approve the response to the proposed action plan (Appendix 5).