

# COUNCIL

CHAIRMAN: Cllr Richard Keeling

**DATE:** 24 September 2019

**REPORT OF:** CHAIRMAN OF AUDIT SCRUTINY AND CHIEF FINANCE OFFICER

**SUBJECT:** 2018/19 STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS INCLUDING THE ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

## PART I

### RECOMMENDATION

That the Council resolve to

- (a) Approve the 2018/19 Statement of Accounts including the Annual Governance Statement and letter of representation as recommended by the Audit Scrutiny Committee subject to any final adjustments agreed with the external auditors to be reported to Council; and**
- (b) Note the Audit Findings Report from Grant Thornton and approve the actions arising from the action plan.**

## 1. PURPOSE

- 1.1 To bring the Statement of Accounts 2018/19, letter of representation to Grant Thornton from the Chairman of the Council and the Annual Governance Statement to Members for approval;
- 1.2 To note the Audit Findings Report from Grant Thornton and approve the actions arising.

## 2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Audit Scrutiny Committee considered the draft Statement of Accounts 2018/19 and the Annual Governance Statement at its meeting on 20 June 2019 and the final accounts (subject to audit) including the Annual Governance Statement on 17 July. The 17 July Committee recommended that the Council approve these documents which took place at Full Council on 29 July. The subsequently audited accounts were then considered on 12 September following the audit together with the letter of representation. The Audit Findings Report was also considered on 12 September together with future recommended actions. The report is available on the website at

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<https://democracy.teignbridge.gov.uk/ieListMeetings.aspx?CId=167&Year=0>

- 2.2 The accounts reports considered by the Audit Scrutiny Committee on 20 June, 17 July and 12 September are appended for ease of reference. The Statement of Accounts including the Annual Governance Statement was circulated with the agenda for the meetings on 20 June, 17 July and 12 September via a web link in the appended reports. A hard copy is also available on request from Democratic Services.
- 2.3 The minutes of the Audit Scrutiny Committee meeting held on 20 June and 17 July can be found on the Council's website at <https://democracy.teignbridge.gov.uk/ieListMeetings.aspx?CId=167&Year=0>
- 2.4 The Executive considered the draft treasury management results at its meeting on 1 July 2019. The results were also taken to Full Council on 29 July 2019 and noted. The treasury management results for 2018/19 are now final with no changes. For information the minutes of the Executive meeting on 1 July and Full Council of 29 July can be found on the Council's website at <https://democracy.teignbridge.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=135&MId=1456&Ver=4>  
<https://democracy.teignbridge.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=165&MId=1505&Ver=4>

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Chief Finance Officer

**Cllr Sally Morgan**  
Chairman – Audit Scrutiny Committee

<b>Wards affected</b>	All
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<b>Background Papers (For Part I reports only)</b>	2018/19 Year End Working Files Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 The Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy Toolkit for Local Authority Committees 2006 CIPFA Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting in the United Kingdom 2018/19 Financial Reporting Standards The Statement of Valuation Principles and Guidance Notes – The Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors
<b>Key Decision</b>	Yes
<b>In Forward Plan</b>	Yes
<b>In O&amp;S Work Programme</b>	No