REPORT TO: FINANCE and MANAGEMENT AGENDA ITEM:

**COMMITTEE - SPECIAL** 

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SUBJECT: ACCOUNTS and FINANCIAL

**STATEMENTS 2010/11** 

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AFFECTED: ALL REFERENCE: FM 08

### 1.0 Recommendations

1.1 That the Council's Audited Accounts and Financial Statements for 2010/11 are approved and signed by the Chairman of the Committee for publication.

#### 2.0 Purpose of Report

2.1 To provide an update on completion of the Council's accounts and financial statements deferred from the meeting on 29<sup>th</sup> September 2011. This follows the previous item on the Agenda concerning the External Auditor's revised statutory report on the Accounts for 2010/11.

#### 3.0 Detail

- 3.1 The papers circulated for the previous meeting (including the full Statement of Accounts) on 29<sup>th</sup> September still stand. However, following completion of the External Auditor's work, a revised Cash Flow Statement and associated notes are attached. These replace those forming part of the original Statement.
- 3.2 The accounts have also been re-checked for format and typographical errors and will be published on the Council's web-site. Their availability will be publicised through the local media.
- 3.3 The accounts will also be distributed to a selection of community points around the District but the printed version is only available in limited circumstances or if specifically requested.

#### 4.0 Financial Implications

4.1 None directly.

# 5.0 Corporate Implications

5.1 None directly.

# 6.0 Community Implications

- 6.1 The production of the Council's statutory annual accounts and financial statements is an important part of stewardship and accountability for public resources.
- 6.2 Basically, it gives electors, those subject to locally levied taxes and charges, members of the Authority, employees and other interested parties detailed information about the Council's accounts and finances.

### 7.0 **Background Papers**

 Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting in the United Kingdom 2010/11