

Appendix 1 - Annual Governance Statement 2011/12 Action Plan as at November 2012

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1. Information Governance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Officer Governance Group monitored work of Information Governance Group during 2011/12. ➤ Action plan in place. ➤ Included on Corporate Risk Register. ➤ Audit work underway. <p>Increased participation in Information Governance Group.</p> <p>Achievement of compliance with recognised Information Governance Toolkit.</p> <p>Awareness campaign and training.</p> <p>Further Audit work planned for 2012/13.</p>	<p>Increased directorate participation in Officer Governance Group.</p> <p>Submission of compliance against toolkit completed as part of the Public Health preparations.</p> <p>One audit completed on Corporate Information Governance. Three more planned – Electronic Document Management; Service Compliance and Provider Compliance.</p> <p>PI and Data Quality audit provided full assurance.</p> <p>Information Governance Road Map created and reviewed by Information Governance Group.</p> <p>Monitoring of breaches and lessons learned internally but also those publicised via the Information Commissioner relating to other organisations.</p> <p>Governance Group have asked Information Governance Group to particularly focus on the risks brought about by joint working.</p>	<p>Group Director Finance & Commerce</p>

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<p>2. Austerity – having to maintain services with fewer resources.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Transformation 2014 has established a range of corporately managed, programmes to deliver savings. ➤ Ongoing financial modelling and a risk-based approach to budget monitoring. ➤ Robust Risk Management and Governance processes have been implemented for transformation. ➤ Impact is assessed as part of process to achieve of savings. <p>Re launch of Risk Management approach for Service Areas to increase efficiency and communication of risk.</p> <p>Intelligence gathering leading to assessment of impact of proposed change to local government funding on corporate financial position</p>	<p>New Risk Management approach launched.</p> <p>CMT reviewing one Corporate Risk at every Strategic Business Meeting. Financial Challenges was first on agenda.</p> <p>Equalities Analysis training rolled out.</p> <p>Planned programme of savings is monitored. Regular reports to Corporate Management Team and Cabinet.</p> <p>Soft Audit reviews of savings delivery completed on a quarterly basis as part of the governance process around transformation, and now raised in parallel with quarterly revenue monitoring reports.</p> <p>Financial risk analysis reviewed and updated for 7th November cabinet report</p> <p>Peer review completed recently has produced a good report.</p> <p>Working groups on impact of academies to our financial position.</p> <p>Fraud e-learning available to staff. Focus on fraud prevention via risk assessment and action plan.</p>	<p>Group Director Finance & Commerce</p>

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<p>3. Pace of Organisational Change – ensuring governance arrangements are revised and remain appropriate given the significant changes in the organisation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ People and Change programme part of Havering 2014 Transformation. ➤ Focus groups established to monitor and assess impact of significant changes (Public Health, Homes in Havering). ➤ Corporate Management Team assessing impact of legislative changes to ensure organisation is prepared. <p>New Ways of Funding group set up to assess impact of changes in local authority funding</p> <p>Review for Officer Governance Group to provide assurance.</p> <p>Work to continuously improve the Internal Shared Service.</p>	<p>New Ways of Funding group continues to meet.</p> <p>Governance streams to the work plan for Public Health and Homes in Havering transition to pick up issues.</p> <p>New Risk Management Approach launched. Operational Risk Management Group formed.</p> <p>Customer Advisory Board being set up to oversee continuous development of Oracle suite.</p> <p>Regular meetings taking place between ACE Legal & Democratic and Head of Finance & Performance on governance related issues.</p>	<p>Chief Executive</p>

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<p>4. Fraud – ensuring new and existing systems and processes are not vulnerable to fraud risks.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Investigation and management action regarding 2011/12 incident. ➤ E Learning of Fraud and Corruption launched. ➤ Fraud Risk Assessment and action plan produced. ➤ Training Plan produced. <p>Implementation of training plan.</p> <p>Monitoring and review of Risk Assessment.</p> <p>Targeted proactive work.</p> <p>Restructure of fraud resources.</p>	<p>Developments made to Oracle system.</p> <p>Training has commenced.</p> <p>Risk Assessment reviewed six months on and in light of latest publication by Audit Commission ‘Protecting the Public Purse’.</p> <p>Increased fraud resources business case agreed.</p>	<p>Group Director Finance & Commerce</p>