

**Open Report on behalf of David O'Connor,
Executive Director Performance and Governance**

Report to:	Audit Committee
Date:	28 January 2013
Subject:	Update on Annual Governance Statement 2012

Summary:

This Report provides the Committee with information on progress on agreed actions contained in the Council's Annual Governance Statement 2012.

Recommendation(s):

Review the progress made and consider any actions the Committee may wish to take.

Background

1.1 At the 24th September 2012 the Audit Committee approved the Council's Annual Governance Statement 2012. The following *Governance Issues* (what's important to how we operate) were identified:-

- Adult Social Care
- Health and Well Being
- Working with our Communities
- Maintaining Financial Resilience
- Commissioning Organisation
- Reviewing our governance and assurance arrangements

1.2 Attached in Appendix A is the action plan, which shows the current status on progress.

Conclusion

2.1 The Annual Governance Statement is a vital component of the Council's governance framework. It sets out areas where we have identified where further work is required to improve systems or monitor how the key risks facing the Council are being managed.

2.2 The action plan shows that good progress has been made on the areas identified.

Consultation

a) Policy Proofing Actions Required

Not applicable

Appendices

These are listed below and attached at the back of the report	
Appendix A	Annual Governance statement 2012 - Action Plan

Background Papers

No background papers within Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972 were used in the preparation of this report.

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