STANDARDS AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 28 SEPTEMBER 2011

Present:

Members of the Council

Councillors Drake, Matthews (Mayor), Noon, Osmond, Parnell and Turner

Independent Members

Mr Brian Hooper (Chair), Mr David Blake, Mrs Elizabeth Hale and Mr Geoff Wilkinson

Apologies

Councillor Burke

Also in attendance:

Kate Handy, District Auditor

12. **STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS**

The Committee considered the report of the Head of Finance (Chief Financial Officer) detailing the Statement of Accounts 2010/11. (Copy of the report circulated with the agenda and appended to the signed minutes).

RESOLVED:

- (i) To approve the Statement of Accounts 2010/11 and that they can be signed by the person presiding at the meeting subject to any changes required after the completion of the Audit.
- (ii) To approve, if necessary, any changes required to the draft accounts following the completion of the Annual Audit, a schedule of which will be provided.

13. ANNUAL GOVERNANCE REPORT

The Committee considered the report of the Chief Internal Auditor. (Copy of the report circulated with the agenda and appended to the signed minutes).

The Committee were made aware of and approved the following uncorrected misstatements – Equal Pay Provision (page 16):

'We have not disclosed the amount of this change because of the sensitivity to the Council's ongoing litigation. The chairmen of the Audit Committee and the Standards and Governance Committee have been made fully aware of 'Equal pay' provision.'

RESOLVED:

- (i) To note the Audit Commission's report; and
- (ii) To receive on behalf of the authority the Certificate of Completion of Audit.