# GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 14 JULY 2014

#### Present:

Councillors Burke (Chair), Chamberlain, Daunt, Inglis, Noon, O'Neill and Keogh

#### **Independent Members**

Mr David Blake and Mr Geoff Wilkinson

#### 1. APOLOGIES

The Committee noted the resignation of Councillor Jeffery, and the appointment of Councillor Keogh in place thereof in accordance with the provisions of Council Procedure Rule 4.3.

#### 2. **ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR**

**RESOLVED** that Councillor Keogh be appointed as vice chair for the municipal year.

# 3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (INCLUDING MATTERS ARISING)

**RESOLVED:** that the minutes for the Committee meeting held on 28 April 2014 be approved and signed as a correct record.

The Panel noted in regard to minute number 40 of the 28<sup>th</sup> April 2014 minute that additional information regarding mobile phones would be circulated to Panel Members by email.

### 4. **STATEMENT FROM THE CHAIR**

### 5. **DISCLOSURE OF PERSONAL AND PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

# 6. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION, DATA PROTECTION AND REGULATION OF INVESTIGATORY POWERS ACTS: ANNUAL REVIEW 2013-14

The Committee considered the report of Head of Legal and Democratic Services detailing statistical information for the financial year 2014-15, attached.

**RESOLVED** that the update of the statistical information for the year 1<sup>st</sup> April 2013 – 31<sup>st</sup> March 2014 relating to:

- a. The Freedom of Information Act 2000 and associated legislation;
- b. Data Protection Act 1998; and
- c. Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000

be noted.

# 7. REVIEW OF PRUDENTIAL LIMITS AND TREASURY MANAGEMENT OUTTURN 2013/14

The Committee noted of the report of the Chief Financial Officer detailing the Treasury Management activities and performance for 2013/14 against the approved Prudential Indicators for External Debt and Treasury Management.

#### 8. **ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT 2013-14**

The Committee noted the Chief Financial Officer seeking to review the draft Annual Governance Statement 2013-14 and to note the status of the 2012-13 Action Plan.

# 9. **EFFECTIVENESS OF INTERNAL AUDIT**

The Committee noted the report of the Chief Internal auditor that In accordance with the Accounts and Audit Regulations (England) 2011 presenting a report detailing the effectiveness of the role of Internal Audit.

# 10. CHIEF INTERNAL AUDITOR'S ANNUAL REPORT AND OPINION 2013/2014

The Committee noted the report of the Chief Internal Auditors detailing the Annual Report and Opinion 2013-14 for approval.

15 SEPTEMBER 2014	
CHAIR	