

On 17th May 2019 Cllrs Stephenson and Cuthbert undertook the annual financial review of the effectiveness of the internal controls of the Town Council's financial statements, processes and records which included: spreadsheets, reports, BACS, invoicing, bank statements, minutes, purchase orders and evidence of external scrutiny and audit.

A detailed discussion followed with the appointed RFO, Sarah Eden, to clarify and support the evidence in relation to the Annual Governance Statement 2018/19 and we conclude that the processes in place are robust, transparent and adhere to all financial regulations in accordance with the requirements as detailed in the Local Government Act 1972 (s.151); and all accounts and supporting records are maintained in line with appropriate legislation and national guidelines.

For recommendation: in order to maintain good governance cheque signatories should be rotated and 3 Cllrs appointed with signing authority.

Cllr C Cuthbert      Cllr C Stephenson