

# **Corporate Governance Committee – 15th March 2010**

#### **CODE OF CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

## Report of LEGAL & DEMOCRATIC SERVICES MANAGER

(This matter is the responsibility of Councillor Ross Henley, Leader of the Council)

### 1. Purpose of the Report

1.1 To note the local code of Corporate Governance.

## 2. Background

- 2.1 In March 2008 the Corporate Governance Committee approved the principals for a local code of Corporate Governance.
- 2.2 Unfortunately in between the departure of the Director of Corporate Governance and the arrival of the Legal & Democratic Services Manager the local code was not published and put into practice.
- 2.3 This has now been picked up and the local code has now been published into booklet format and the booklet will be circulated with this report.
- 2.4 The principals contained in the local code will be used in conjunction with the preparation of the Annual Governance Statement and will help to focus the corporate governance action plan.
- 2.5 A copy of the booklet will be circulated to all councillors and will be available to the public.

#### 3. Recommendation

3.1 To note the local code of Corporate Governance.

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