

## **Statement of Accounts**

Year Ending 31 March 2018

# Allerdale Borough Council

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## **Narrative Report**

#### 1. Introduction

- 1.1 The Statement of Accounts summarises Allerdale Borough Council's financial performance, financial position and cash flows for the financial year from 1 April 2017 to 31 March 2018.
- 1.2 To provide context to and assist in the interpretation of the Statement of Accounts, the Narrative Report which follows provides information about the Authority of relevance to understanding its financial performance and position. This includes information about the Authority's:
  - key strategic priorities and performance in delivering its main objectives
  - key risks and uncertainties in relation to future service provision
  - · medium term financial strategy
  - financial performance (income and expenditure) and cash flows during the financial year, the major influences affecting performance and cash flows and how actual financial performance compares to budget
  - financial position (balance sheet) at the year end and the major influences affecting the Authority's financial position.

## 2. About the Council and the Borough

- 2.1 The Borough of Allerdale is located in the north west of Cumbria covering an area of 1,258 square kilometres. It is a diverse borough, both in terms of geography and history. It includes some of the country's most stunning landscapes (the borough includes areas to the east in the Lake District National Park as well as the Solway Coast Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty to the north) and important built heritage. Allerdale has seven distinct areas: the towns of Aspatria, Cockermouth, Keswick, Maryport, Silloth, Wigton and Workington and their hinterlands.
- 2.2 The area has low levels of crime and many of our residents enjoy an excellent quality of life. However, the diversity of geography and history across the borough manifests as a broad range of issues and challenges facing the different communities across the borough.
- 2.3 Allerdale's population of 96,200 is largely concentrated in the south west around Workington, Maryport and Cockermouth where population density is 450 people per square kilometre. By contrast the Solway Plain has a population density of just 50 people per square kilometre. Due to the largely rural nature of the borough transport connectivity, broadband provision and access to services remain an issue.
- 2.4 Allerdale has seen the greatest rise (between 2001 and 2011) in the number of residents aged over 85 years in Cumbria and has an older population profile than England and Wales. The population is 'ageing' at a faster rate than the population nationally. By 2037 around a third of all residents are projected to be aged 65 and over.
- 2.5 Unemployment rates for Allerdale as a whole are slightly lower than the regional and national averages. However, there are pockets of unemployment well in excess of the national average in some towns.

- 2.6 The major employers in the borough are in the manufacturing, wholesale/retail, hotel and restaurant businesses and the public sector. Around 80% of businesses in Allerdale are classified as small, employing less than four people. Manufacturing is largely concentrated on the west coast with retail centres in the towns of Workington, Cockermouth, Maryport, Keswick and Wigton.
- 2.7 The west coast has a rich industrial history and industry remains very important to the area, but changes in its make-up have left economic and social problems, particularly in the main towns of Workington and Maryport which contain some of the most deprived communities in the country and where there are pockets of unemployment well in excess of the national average in some towns.
- 2.8 The north of Allerdale is a predominantly rural area with small villages and three principal market towns Aspatria, Silloth and Wigton which have issues such as access to services and economic sustainability.
- 2.9 The market towns of Cockermouth and Keswick enjoy stunning scenery, with Keswick, located in the Lake District National Park, an important tourist destination. However, both towns and the surrounding rural villages face problems with a lack of affordable housing.
- 2.10 Levels of home ownership for the district are above the national average, although there are much lower levels in Workington and Maryport which also see the highest rates of social rented properties. However, with the median cost of a dwelling nearly 5 times the median household income, there is a shortage of affordable housing to buy. 11.4% of households in Allerdale experience fuel poverty with wide variation across the district and 22% of private sector dwellings in Allerdale fail to meet the Decent Homes Standard.
- 2.11 Average life expectancies for Allerdale residents have improved over time, but remain lower than the England and Cumbrian averages. Across the borough, there is a seven year gap (men) and an eight year gap (women) between the most and least deprived areas. Childhood obesity levels in Allerdale are slightly higher than the Cumbria and national averages and Allerdale has an above average adult obesity rate.

#### **Services**

- 2.12 The Authority is responsible for delivering a wide range of services, either directly or through use of external contractors and partner organisations from the public, private and third sectors. Services to the public are supported by a range of back-office and support functions including Finance, Property services, Legal, IT and Human Resources.
- 2.13 Key services provided by the Authority and the Executive member portfolios to which they are allocated for resource allocation and financial reporting purposes are summarised in the following table:

Executive Member Portfolio	Service/Support function
Corporate Resources	finance & property services
Farmania Onswith	public convenience & building cleaning
Economic Growth	<ul><li>planning &amp; development control</li><li>building control</li></ul>
	camping & caravan sites, town centre management
	tenanted properties, industrial units and industrial estates
Housing, Health & Wellbeing	<ul> <li>private sector housing renewal, homelessness &amp; housing enforcement</li> </ul>
	housing strategy
	environmental health
Leader of the Council	policy strategy & performance
L applition 0	strategic partnerships     household waste callection and recycling trade waste street.
Localities & Environmental Quality	<ul> <li>household waste collection and recycling, trade waste, street cleaning, parks &amp; ground maintenance</li> </ul>
	off-street parking
	sports & leisure centres
Governance & People	licencing & land charges
Resources	<ul><li>HR and legal services</li><li>member services, electoral registration &amp; elections</li></ul>
Tourism & Culture	member services, electoral registration & elections     museums & tourism
Tourism & Outure	arts & culture
Transformation	collection of council tax & business rates
	housing benefits payments & administration
	IT services
	customer services

## **Employee information**

2.14 The Authority employs 252 people on full time and part time contracts. Information on the composition of the Authority's workforce at the end of the financial year is provided in the following tables:

	At 31 March 2018				
	Employee	e Numbers	FTE		
	Male	Female	Male	Female	
Senior managers	7	2	7	2	
Other employees	85	158	82	131	
Total	92	160	89	133	

	At 31 March 2017				
	Employee	Numbers	FTE		
	Male	Female	Male	Female	
Senior managers	7	2	7	2	
Other employees	84	162	78	132	
Total	91	164	85	134	

#### **Governance arrangements**

- 2.15 A summary of the key elements of the systems and processes that comprise the Authority's governance arrangements are set out in the Annual Governance Statement that accompanies the statement of accounts (section 7).
- 2.16 The Annual Governance Statement provides a summary of the arrangements put in place by the Authority to ensure legislative requirements, governance principles and management processes are within the law and proper standards and that public money is safeguarded, properly accounted for and used economically, efficiently and effectively.

## 3 The Council's key achievements and performance

#### Strategic priorities and progress

3.1 The Authority's current priorities are outlined in the <u>Council Plan 2015 - 2019</u>, which was approved by Members in March 2015. The Plan, which is reviewed and updated annually, has five key themes:

Theme	Aim
i) Tackling inequality:	to reduce poverty and support people facing financial difficulties
ii) Strengthening our economy	to create a strong, sustainable and vibrant local economy and create jobs
iii) Enhancing our towns	to create thriving towns that are attractive and welcoming and retain their distinctive characters
iv) Improving health and wellbeing	to help people live healthy and active lives and reduce health inequalities
v) Creating a sustainable business	to develop a commercially focused organisation committed to delivering high quality, sustainable services to the people, communities and businesses of Allerdale

- 3.2 The <u>Corporate Business Plan 2017/18</u> contains 71 programmes and projects across the five Council Plan priority themes. A total of 58 of these have been completed during 2017/18 or remain on target to be completed within the timescales set out in the Business Plan.
- 3.3 The Authority's key achievements in delivering the Council Plan during 2017/18 include:
  - utilising funding programmes to further the ambitions of the Authority and other partners in driving economic growth, examples include:
    - using the Allerdale Social Impact Investment Fund (SIIF) utilising funding from Sellafield Ltd to support a number of schemes including two major tourism projects in Bowness and Silloth creating 20 new jobs and three business expansion projects in Maryport which will achieve 32 new jobs and safeguard 93 existing jobs
    - securing match funding for European grants to enable the Business Growth Hub to provide business support solely dedicated to Allerdale inhabitants
    - securing funding of £1.5m from the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) to support plans for the construction of industrial workshops at

Reedlands Business Park, Workington; Construction work is planned to start in 2018/19

- developing, through Allerdale Investment Partnership, a number of sites for future commercial and housing use
- funding capital projects to secure the retention of social housing stock in the social rented market for a minimum of 5 years.
- successful delivery of the second year of the Leisure Strategy Action Plan; improving playing pitches, improving leisure and sports facilities and encouraging greater participation in sport and physical activity
- supporting large scale festivals and events through the Allerdale Live Partnership to enhance the vitality and raise the profile of the area and offer cultural and sporting events to improve health and wellbeing. Supported events include the Lakesman Triathlon which generated an estimate of £1.48m of spend in the local economy and the return on investment is calculated at over £13 per £1 invested in the event.
- providing grant funding to support 9 local festivals and events facilitating £248,582 of investment and providing opportunities for improvements in participation and enjoyment of sports, arts and heritage in the community
- delivery of housing improvements through grant assistance to around 170 homes across Allerdale
- delivering the Big Allerdale Switch collective energy switching scheme to help residents to save on their energy bills
- undertaking targeted work to help those struggling financially to deal with money problems, including making improvements to procedures for signposting and referring Universal Credit customers requiring budgeting support
- supporting people to deal with money problems by working with partners to
  promote safe credit; specifically this has included providing financial support to the
  West Cumbria Credit Union (WCCU) from the Council's Priorities Fund enabling the
  WCCU (Affinity) to increase provision of secure, guaranteed savings and affordable
  loans to reduce the number of residents who use high interest doorstep lenders and
  high street organisations
- providing central heating grants funded by an award of £1.14m from the Department of Energy and Climate Change (DECC) Central Heating Fund - to facilitate the installation of 77 first-time central heating systems into fuel poor households in Allerdale
- maintaining the Authority's proactive approach to tackling derelict and empty properties and addressing incidents of environmental crime
- carrying out town centre environmental improvements in all Allerdale towns
- undertaking enhancement and refurbishment works in our towns including the Maryport Facelift Grant Scheme - a £50,000 facelift scheme that has supported the improvement of nearly 90 properties
- continuing a programme to deliver efficiencies and establish a foundation for a flexible approach to work to support mobile working and business process automation through the implementation of cloud based systems including Office 365 and the BT OnePhone system

- development of the myAllerdale on-line reporting service to provide customers with improved access to services. The service now has over 6,000 registered customers using the wide range of on-line forms through our website and the myAllerdale app to report issues
- delivering efficiencies through reviewing procurement and commissioning processes and contracts.

#### Performance monitoring

3.4 Performance in meeting the priorities set out in the Council Plan is monitored regularly throughout the year by the Authority's Senior Management Team, Executive and the Overview and Scrutiny Committee. This includes monitoring against a number of financial and non-financial performance measures identified for each of the five priority themes. The following table provides a summary of the key indicators monitored during the financial year.

Performance indicator	2016/17 actual	2017/18 target	2017/18 actual
Tackling inequality			
Time taken (days) to process Housing Benefit new claims	20	20	15
Time taken (days) to process Council Tax new claims	20	20	20
Time taken (days) to process Housing Benefit/Council Tax change of circumstances	9	8	6
Number of affordable homes delivered	112	100	75
Percentage of homeless decisions made within guideline 33 days	95%	100%	100%
Strengthening our economy			
Number of jobs created through effective management of external funding	8	50	60
Number of jobs safeguarded through effective management of external funding	n/a	n/a	86
Number of new housing completions		344	502
% of major planning applications determined within statutory period		95%	98%
% of minor planning applications determined within statutory period		95%	95%
% Full plans determined within 5 weeks (Building Control)		85%	93%
% of Local Land Charge Searches carried out within 10 working days	96.9%	95%	99.4%
Enhancing our towns			
% of residents satisfied or very satisfied with town centre	59%	**	**
Residual household waste per household (kg)	530kg	520kg	489kg
% of household waste sent for reuse, recycling & composting	38%	41%	39%
Improving health and wellbeing			
Adults (16+) achieving recommended 150 minutes moderate activity per week (excluding gardening)		**	**
% of residents satisfied or very satisfied with sport and leisure facilities	47%	**	**
% of disabled facilities grants approved within 10 weeks from receipt of referral	n/a-	100%	78%

Performance indicator	2016/17 actual	2017/18 target	2017/18 actual
Creating a sustainable business			
% of residents satisfied or very satisfied with Council services overall	73%	**	**
% of residents who agree or strongly agree that the council provides value for money	43%	**	**
% of residents who think the Council keeps them well or very well informed	58%	**	**
% of people who feel they can influence decisions in their locality	29%	**	**
% of Council Tax collected	97.6%	97.8%	97.4%
% of NNDR collected	98.2%	98.2%	97.7%
% of invoices paid within 30 days	92.4%	98.0%	95.0%
Average no. of working days lost to sickness absence per employee per annum	8.8	7.0	9.4

<sup>\*\*</sup> Information collected from biannual residents' survey. Latest survey completed September 2016.

### 4 Key risks and uncertainties

4.1 A risk management strategy is in place to identify and evaluate risk. This is based on the principles of the Enterprise Wide Risk Management Framework. There are clearly defined steps to support better decision making through the understanding of risk, whether a positive opportunity or threat and the likely impact. The risk management process is subject to regular review and updating. Key risks faced by the Authority and included on the Authority's corporate risk register are summarised in the following table.

Risk	Impact	Mitigation
Severe weather conditions: Significant unbudgeted expenditure arising from severe weather conditions	Further deterioration of sea defences and impact on low lying coastal properties and land Landslips occurring following severe weather Cost of business disruption e.g. NNDR collection Increase cost of 'business as usual services' and impact on service delivery as resources are redirected to support recovery	Funding opportunities to support the repair/replacement of damaged sea defences being explored Action plan approach to prioritise highest risk areas Business continuity plan is in place
Waste, cleansing and grounds maintenance services: Retendering of contract fails to deliver cost effective waste and recycling, street cleansing and grounds maintenance services	Adverse impact on medium term financial plan as a consequence of a failure to deliver required affordability savings Affordability savings met at the expense of service delivery Procurement timetable is not met resulting in adverse impact on service delivery	Competitive Dialogue will be undertaken prior to the submission of refined and then detailed solutions Costs (legal, technical and financial) of procurement have been identified and resources allocated Project management arrangements include a detailed risk register outlining the individual project risks associated with the delivery of the project – reviewed regularly
Value for money: Failure to continue providing value for money for expenditure	Inability to fulfil statutory obligations; cessation of discretionary services; loss of key staff and or services Waste due to inefficient processes; further use of reserves to deliver services Inability to achieve plans	Monitoring and challenge processes adopted to improve accountability and responsibility for budget management, and drive cost and time performance information  Training for staff (budget management, commissioning/procurement)  Development of an Organisational Development Plan to support the drive for efficiency and growth
Brexit: Inability to deliver the Council Plan due to the consequences of Brexit	Strategic priorities not met; improvements not made; Lives in Allerdale are not improved Ability to deliver value for money compromised Reduced growth in the local economy	Continued discussions with stakeholders to understand potential impacts Horizon scanning for information updates from professional bodies and ongoing monitoring of policy and legislative developments Investigate opportunities to make up for any future loss of EU funding streams
Business continuity plans: Business continuity plans do not meet business needs	The Council does not comply with its duties as a Category 1 Responder under the Civil Contingencies Act; Priority services are not maintained Adverse publicity and loss of confidence in management, delayed income collection, increased unbudgeted expenditure	Implementation of Cloud based Business continuity software Creation of Central Business Continuity Plan Alternative sites identified for business Transfer of telephony system to BT OnePhone fully mobile based system Implementation of Cloud based application software Business interruption insurance Rolling programme of departmental exercises to test plans

Risk	Impact	Mitigation
Major scheme delivery: Potential risk to the delivery of major schemes due to reduced levels of public regeneration funding	Inability to progress major regeneration schemes resulting in failure to safeguard or create employment opportunities	Continuation of dialogue with key stakeholders and funding bodies Identification of alternative service delivery models Exploring opportunities to attract private sector funding
Business rates: Move to 100% retention of business rates locally; delay in timing of implementation from 2019/20 to 2020/21. Transition to 75% retention by 2020/21.	Impact on the medium term financial plan Potential loss of growth depending on re-sets Difficulty in planning for growth and retaining income	Continued membership of Cumbria NNDR group Horizon scanning for updates from MHCLG, attendance at briefings to understand current government position and implications
IT systems: Failure to manage and maintain a secure information systems network. Information is not managed in line with policy, procedure and regulatory requirements.	Service outage, loss of data, business disruption, reduced trust from stakeholders, cyber-crime, information lost or stolen, regulatory fines, regulatory investigation, failure to provide customer service, loss of income	Independent penetration testing completed annually Daily off- site back-ups and regular back up reliability testing Public Services Network compliance gained March 2017 Implementation of Cloud based strategy Raising awareness and providing training for end-users
Data protection: Failure to deliver the requirements of the General Data Protection Regulations (which come into force on 25 May 2018) and the Data Protection Act 2018 (once in UK law)	A breach of GDPR could lead to investigation by the ICO; financial implications (fines); reputational damage, damage to trust and confidence (public and partners)  Loss/misuse of personal data through poor data protection practices	Project team established in 2017 to deliver the actions necessary to meet the requirements of GDPR including: an information audit, training and awareness raising for all staff and elected members, updates to and creation of policies and procedures, privacy notice update, review of data sharing arrangements, appointment of a DPO  The team will continue to meet during 2018 and will consider any changes required to policy or practice once the Data Protection Act becomes law

## 5. 2017/18 Budget and Medium Term Financial Strategy

5.1 The Authority's General Fund (GF) Revenue and Capital Budgets for 2017/18 were approved by Full Council in March 2017. Revised budgets which addressed the Authority's priorities, additional service related budget pressures and savings identified through the monthly financial monitoring and the re-profiling of capital expenditure, were approved by Full Council in November 2017.

#### **Economic climate**

- 5.2 The national and international economic climate, together with the Government's commitment to reducing the deficit through reductions in public sector spending, has continued to present a very challenging financial environment for the Authority throughout 2017/18.
- 5.3 Local authorities have taken the biggest hit in terms of central government cuts since 2010. The scale of reduction, along with a degree of volatility around the phasing and timing of these cuts has made it very difficult for authorities to plan their spending priorities strategically.
- 5.4 The government's response to these concerns was the offer of a 4 year settlement guarantee, covering the 4 year period 2016/17 to 2019/20. The Authority chose to take advantage of this offer and published, in line with terms of the multi-year offer, its Efficiency Plan in October 2016.
- 5.5 The Autumn Statement 2016, confirmed the government's commitment to the departmental spending plans set out in the 2015 Spending Review. Although reductions in departmental spending and further fiscal tightening were avoided, there was no easing of austerity for public services.

#### **Medium Term Financial Strategy**

- 5.6 The 2017/18 revenue budget is set within the context of the Authority's Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS). The MTFS provides the funding framework within which the Council seeks to achieve the priorities set out in the Council Plan 2015 2019 and highlights the key financial risks facing the Council. The current MTFS, published alongside the Authority's 2018/19 budget, shows that, in order for the Council to remain financially sustainable and continue to meet its statutory obligation to deliver a balanced budget it will need to address a funding deficit of approximately £2.6m over the period 2018/19 to 2020/21. These savings are in addition to delivering the self-sufficiency savings (£422k) and other recurring savings included in the 2018/19 budget.
- 5.7 The Authority will update its MTFS during 2018/19 to reflect its key priorities over the period 2019/20 to 2020/23 and its ambitions to, drive forward economic growth, exploit commercial opportunities and achieve financial sustainability. Key priorities to be delivered over this period include the Maryport Delivery Plan, Community Stadium, Workington Town Centre and Keswick Leisure Facilities.

#### 2017/18 Revenue Budget

- 5.8 Revenue income and expenditure covers spending and income associated with the day to day running of services. Revenue expenditure charged to the Authority's general fund expenditure is met from the following sources:
  - Fees and charges
  - Government grants including unringfenced grants e.g. Revenue Support Grant
  - Council Tax and Business Rates
  - Reserves General Fund Balances and Earmarked Reserves.

- The Authority's original net revenue budget for 2017/18, inclusive of parish precepts and planned contributions to reserves, was set at £14,937k and the revised revenue budget at £17,313k. The revised budget comprises planned expenditure on services of £16,872k and planned contributions to earmarked reserves of £441k.
- 5.10 As part of the package of self-sufficiency savings needed to ensure the Council remains financially sustainable and delivers a balanced budget in 2017/18 the original and revised budgets for 2017/18 included self-sufficiency savings of £738k.
- 5.11 The Authority's 2017/18 revenue budget is funded as follows:

	Original £'000	Revised £'000
Revenue support grant	1,061	1,061
Other government grants (including New Homes Bonus)	1,864	1,864
Council tax – including parish element	6,834	6,834
Collection fund surplus/(deficit) - Council Tax	139	139
NNDR funding (including s31 grant)	4,997	5,736
Collection fund surplus/(deficit) - NNDR	(623)	(872)
Total funding available	14,272	14,762
Planned use of Earmarked Reserve Balances	435	2,684
Net transfers of funding (to)/from Earmarked Reserves (NNDR)	230	(133)
Total Funding included in budget	14,937	17,313

- 5.12 The amount of Revenue Support Grant provided to the Authority through the 2017/18 Local Government Finance Settlement was £1.06m. A reduction of £0.639m (38%) on the amount (£1.7m) awarded in 2016/17.
- 5.13 The Authority's share of Council tax was increased by 1.9% in 2017/18 while the tax base for 2017/18 (i.e. the taxable capacity of the borough) was set at 30,183.13 an increase of 2.4% on the 2016/17 tax base of 29,470.69. These changes resulted in:
  - an increase in the Authority's share of Council tax on band D properties (excluding parish precepts) from £159.95 to £162.99
  - total council tax income available to the Authority's general fund in 2017/18 of £6,834k (excluding the Authority's share of the estimated surplus at 31 March 2017 of £139k); an increase of approximately 5%.
- 5.14 The 2017/18 revised budget includes estimated business rates income available to the general fund of £4,864k (net of the Authority's share of estimated collection fund deficit at 31 March 2017 of £872k). This includes:
  - estimated grant income from central government of £1,224k to compensate the Authority for the loss of business rates income associated with certain business rate reliefs
  - an estimated net levy payment of £362k.

#### 2017/18 Capital Budget

- 5.15 The Authority's original 2017/18 capital budget was set at £12,793k (inclusive of budgets carried forward from 2016/17) and the revised capital budget at £5,935k.
- 5.16 Capital expenditure, included in the capital budget, covers expenditure on projects, such as acquisition, construction and enhancement of property plant and equipment. It also includes items such as grants towards capital expenditure incurred by third parties (for example Disabled Facilities Grants).

- 5.17 Resources available to finance capital expenditure include:
  - capital receipts (for example usable proceeds from asset sales)
  - grants and contributions from third parties
  - direct financing from revenue/use of general fund balances.
- 5.18 Capital expenditure that is not financed up-front from these resources will increase the Authority's underlying need to borrow, as measured by the capital financing requirement (CFR).
- 5.19 Significant projects within the 2017/18 revised capital programme include:
  - £0.7m to deliver first-time central heating systems to fuel poor households, funded from a grant from DECC's Central Heating Fund
  - £1m for Disabled Facilities Grants (mandatory and discretionary)
  - £1.3m to support acquisition and redevelopment of commercial properties.
  - £0.7m for the acquisition of undeveloped portions of the Lillyhall site from the Homes and Communities Agency (HCA).

#### 6 Financial Performance

#### Financial Management: Revenue expenditure compared to budget

6.1 The table below shows the actual expenditure for 2017/18 compared to the Authority's revised budget and how that expenditure was financed. A detailed report on the 2017/18 outturn position – including commentary on reported variances – is included in the agenda reports pack (published on the Council's website) for the meeting of the Council's Executive on 13 June 2018.

#### Summary Position against Budget - 2017/18

	Revised Budget	Actual	Variance	Contribution to E/M Reserves	Adjusted variance
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Corporate Resources	4,949	5,456	507	27	534
Economic Growth	(627)	(771)	(144)	60	(84)
Housing, Health & Wellbeing	1,339	1,062	(277)	10	(267)
Leader of the Council	1,664	1,294	(370)	245	(125)
Localities & Environmental Quality	3,093	3,442	349	11	360
Governance & People Resources	1,980	1,793	(187)	80	(107)
Tourism & Culture	430	343	(87)	70	(17)
Transformation	2,130	1,830	(300)	152	(148)
Expenditure on services	14,958	14,449	(509)	655	146
Parish precepts	1,914	1,914	0	0	0
Net service expenditure	16,872	16,363	(509)	655	146
Taxation & non-ringfenced grants	(14,762)	(15,051)	(289)	200	(89)
Net (surplus)/deficit for year	2,110	1,312	(798)	855	57
Use of General Fund (GF) to finance capital expenditure	730	264	(466)	-	(466)
Net charge/(credit) to GF	2,840	1,576	(1,264)	855	(409)

6.2 Net expenditure on services for the year was £16,363k compared to a revised budget (excluding planned transfers to Earmarked reserves) of £16,872k. In addition £264k was used to finance capital expenditure. Total income from taxation and non-ringfenced grants was £15,051k compared to a budget of £14,762k. Over the course of the financial year this has resulted in a net charge to General Fund balances (earmarked and un-earmarked) of £1,576k. This movement is summarised in the following table.

#### Summary of movements in General Fund balances

	Revised Budget	Actual	Variance
	£'000	£'000	£'000
Balance brought forward	10,301	10,301	0
Planned/actual contributions to/(from) reserves:			
Planned use of GF balance - capital	(730)	(264)	466
Planned contribution to Earmarked reserves - expenditure	441	254	(187)
Planned contribution to Earmarked reserves - funding	133	133	0
Planned use of Earmarked reserves	(2,684)	(2,554)	130
Requested contribution to Earmarked reserves - budget c/fwd	0	655	655
Requested contribution to Earmarked reserves - income c/fwd	0	200	200
Total planned/actual contributions to/(from) reserves	(2,840)	(1,576)	1,264
Balance carried forward	7,461	8,725	1,264

6.3 Budget reports, including the outturn position summarised above, are prepared on a statutory basis (also referred to as the funding basis), reflecting amounts chargeable to the general fund under statutory provisions. This differs from the accounting policies (accounting basis) used in preparing the financial statements in accordance with the Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting. Details of the adjustments made to Net Expenditure Chargeable to the General Fund (GF), to arrive at the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement (CIES) amounts are summarised in Expenditure and Funding Analysis (see note 6 to the financial statements).

#### Financial Management: Capital expenditure compared to budget

6.4 The following tables show capital expenditure in 2017/18 compared to the revised capital budget and how that expenditure was financed.

Portfolio	Revised Budget	Outturn	Outturn Variance	Budget C/F	Variance
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Economic Growth	2,500	551	(1,949)	1,949	0
Corporate Resources	442	98	(344)	344	0
Housing, Health & Wellbeing	2,180	1,707	(473)	383	(90)
Localities & Environmental Quality	394	286	(108)	86	(22)
Transformation	150	148	(2)	0	(2)
Total Capital Expenditure	5,666	2,790	(2,876)	2,762	(114)
Amounts charged to revenue <sup>1</sup>	269	244	(25)	25	0
Total Expenditure	5,935	3,034	(2,901)	2,787	(114)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Corporate resources expenditure; financed from General Fund

Financing	Revised Budget	Outturn	Outturn Variance	Budget C/F	Variance
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Capital Grants & Contributions:					
Housing	1,890	1,668	(222)	222	0
Non-Housing	200	0	(200)	200	0
	2,090	1,668	(422)	422	0
Allerdale B.C. Resources:					
Capital Receipts	280	3	(277)	277	0
Revenue Earmarked Reserves	231	231	0	0	0
Revenue Budget	13	3	(10)	0	(10)
General Fund Balances	730	264	(466)	453	(13)
Prudential Borrowing	2,591	865	(1,726)	1,635	(91)
	3,845	1,366	(2,479)	2,365	(114)
Total financing	5,935	3,034	(2,901)	2,787	(114)

- 6.5 The Authority spent £3.034m on its capital programme in 2017/18 compared to the revised capital budget of £5.935m. This expenditure was financed through a combination of prudential borrowing, government grants, revenue contributions and capital receipts.
- The variance between revised budget and outturn for the year was £2.9m. This variance is largely attributable to changes made to the profile of planned expenditure on schemes across financial years. These changes, identified after submission of the revised capital budget, will require £2.79m of planned expenditure (and related budget provision) to be carried forward to 2018/19 together with the associated financing.

## 7. Financial position at the Balance Sheet date

7.1 The following table summarises the Authority's financial position at 31 March 2018

	At 31 March 2018 £'000	At 31 March 2017 £'000	Year on Year change £'000
Non-current assets	82,370	77,410	4,960
Net current assets: debtors, stock & cash less short-term creditors & liabilities	4,597	5,872	(1,275)
Long-term liabilities & provisions	(44,470)	(48,476)	4,006
Net assets	42,497	34,806	7,691
Represented by:			
Revenue Reserves (General Fund & Earmarked)	8,725	10,301	(1,576)
Other Useable reserves	1,496	1,941	(445)
Unusable reserves	32,276	22,564	9,712
Total Reserves	42,497	34,806	7,691

#### Significant balance sheet movements during 2017/18

- 7.2 During 2017/18:
  - The carrying value of the Authority's Non-current assets, including property, plant and equipment (PPE), investment property and long-term investments increased by £4,960k. This includes:
    - an increase in the carrying value of PPE of £4,410k underpinned by a revaluation adjustment of £5,688k, additions of £1,082k less depreciation of £1,714k and a reduction is respect of disposals and transfers between asset categories of £646k
    - an increase of £1,235k in the carrying value of investment property including an increase of £666k from the revaluation of investment properties at 31 March 2018 and £569k from acquisitions and transfers from PPE
    - a £662k reduction in the carrying amount of long term investments following changes made to the terms of the loan notes held in Allerdale Investment Partnership LLP.
  - Net current assets decreased by £1,275k to £4,597k, accompanied by a corresponding decrease in the Authority's working capital liquidity ratio from 1.6 at 31 March 2017 to 1.5 at 31 March 2018.
  - Long-term liabilities reduced by £4,006k underpinned by a reduction in the net defined benefit pension liability of £5,907k and a net increase in long-term borrowing of £1,687k.

#### Valuation of non-current assets

- 7.3 The Authority carries out a rolling programme of revaluations to ensure that Property, Plant and Equipment assets required to be measured at current value are:
  - revalued at intervals of not more than five years
  - reported in the balance sheet at a carrying amount that does not differ materially from that which would be determined using the assets current value at the balance sheet date.
- 7.4 During 2017/18, a revaluation of the Authority's Pay and Display Car Parks and Sports and Leisure Centres resulted in a net revaluation gain of £5,688k. This includes revaluation gains of:
  - £5,228k credited to the revaluation reserve
  - £460k, including amounts relating to the reversal of previous revaluation losses previously recognised in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement (CIES), credited to the CIES and reversed out to the Capital Adjustment Accounts within the Movement in Reserves Statement.
- 7.5 Investment Property and Assets Held for Sale are revalued annually. During 2017/18 the fair value of the Authority's investment properties increased by £666k.

#### **Defined Benefit Pensions Liability**

- 7.6 The Authority offers retirement pensions to its staff under a statutory scheme and also makes contributions on their behalf. Although the pension benefits are not payable until employees retire, the Authority has a commitment to make the payments and must account for them in the year in which the future entitlements are earned. This commitment is compared with the pension fund assets (investments) and the net amount is included in the accounts as an asset or liability.
- 7.7 At 31 March 2018 the Authority's net pension liability was £28.8m (31 March 2017: £34.7m). Although this sum has a significant impact on the net assets of the Authority, as shown in its Balance Sheet, the deficit will be addressed by increased contributions to the scheme in future years. These increased contributions have been reflected in the Authority's Medium Term Plan.
- 7.8 Underpinning the £5.9m reduction in the net pension liability are:
  - a £2.41m reduction defined benefit liability including experience gains associated with changes to the financial assumptions, used to calculate the defined benefit liability, of £3,992k
  - an increase in the carrying value of the Authority's share of scheme assets of £3.5m including:
    - an increase of £1.9m relating to net interest on plan assets, and
    - re-measurement gains, reflecting the a difference between the actual investment return on plan assets and the interest rate used to calculate the net interest cost included in the CIES, of £1.1m.

#### **Short and Long-term Borrowing**

7.9 At 31 March 2018 the Authority's external borrowing (inclusive of accrued interest) stood at £15.7m (31 March 2017: £13.9m). The main component of the Authority's loan portfolio is PWLB debt of £15.6m (31 March 2017: £13.8m). During the financial year the Authority made scheduled repayments of £227k (2016/17: £222k) to the PWLB. To meet the funding requirements of the Authority's capital programme, additional PWLB borrowing of £2m, at an interest rate of 2.44% and repayable over 25 years, was drawn down in March 2018.

#### **Revenue Reserves**

- 7.10 At 31 March 2018 un-earmarked general fund reserves stood at £4.921m (31 March 2017: £5.100m) and earmarked revenue reserves at £3.804m (31 March 2017: £5.201m). Earmarked reserves include amounts set aside:
  - to meet planned future expenditure including budgets carried forward to meet existing commitments
  - to ring-fence unspent revenue grants where there are restrictions on use
  - as a contingency to cushion the impact of unexpected events or transactions.

7.11 Details of the movement in the Authority's revenue reserves during the year are summarised in the following tables.

General Fund (GF)	Revised Budget	Actual	Variance
	£'000	£'000	£'000
Balance at 1 April 2017	5,100	5,100	0
Revenue surplus/(deficit) for year - revenue	(2,110)	(1,312)	798
Use of GF reserves to fund capital expenditure	(730)	(264)	466
Total Surplus/(deficit) for year	(2,840)	(1,576)	1,264
Transfers from GF to Earmarked Reserves	2,110	1,312	(798)
Earmarked reserves released to GF	0	85	85
Net transfer (to)/from Earmarked Reserves	2,110	1,397	(713)
Balance at 31 March 2018	4,370	4,921	551

Earmarked Reserves (E/M)	Revised Budget	Actual	Variance
	£'000	£'000	£'000
Balance at 1 April 2017	5,201	5,201	0
Transfers to/(from) General Fund:			
Use of reserves to fund revenue expenditure in year	(2,454)	(2,551)	(97)
Use of reserves to fund capital expenditure in year	(230)	(230)	0
Total used in year	(2,684)	(2,781)	(97)
Transfers to/(from) General Fund:			
Planned Transfers (to)/from Earmarked Reserves	574	614	40
Additional Transfers (to)/from Earmarked Reserves	0	855	855
	574	1,469	895
Released to General Fund	0	(85)	(85)
Net transfer (to)/from General Fund	(2,110)	(1,397)	713
Balance at 31 March 2018	3,091	3,804	713

- 7.12 Contributions to earmarked reserves of £1,469k include amounts set aside from existing unspent budgets to reflect the re-profiling of associated expenditure plans across financial years and the ring-fencing of income earmarked for specified purposes.
- 7.13 The general fund balance at 31 March 2018 includes £897k allocated to finance the 2018/19 revenue budget (£444k) and capital budget (£453k). The remaining balance of £4,024k incorporates the Authority's agreed minimum retained balance of £2.7m held to provide contingency to protect services against unexpected events or emergencies, cushion uneven cash flows and avoid unnecessary temporary borrowing.

#### 8. Cash flows

8.1 During 2017/18 the net decrease in cash and cash equivalents (i.e. short-term highly liquid investments with maturities at the date of acquisition of three months or less) was £883k.

	2017/18	2016/17
	£'000	£'000
Net Cash Flows from Operating Activities	(1,590)	1,923
Net Cash Flows from Investing Activities	(804)	(2,543)
Net Cash Flows from Financing Activities	1,511	(553)
Net increase/(decrease) in Cash & Cash Equivalents	(883)	(1,173)

- The net cash outflow from operating activities of £1,590k includes outflows of £2,646k (2016/17: £980k) associated with the payment of pension deficit funding contributions. This payment covers the three-year period 2017/18 to 2019/20 and will generate a reduction in the total deficit funding contributions over the three year period of £169k.
- 8.3 Underpinning the net cash outflow from investing activities of £804k are cash outflows of £1,124k associated with the purchase of property plant and equipment and inflows from the receipt of capital grants of £222k.
- 8.4 The net cash outflows from operating and investing activities are offset by a net cash inflow from financing activities of £1,511k. This includes an inflow of £2,000k from additional PWLB borrowing drawn down during the year less scheduled loan repayments of £227k.

#### 9. The Financial Statements

#### **Background to the Statements**

- 9.1 The Statement of Accounts summarises the Authority's transactions for the 2017/18 financial year and its financial position at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018. The Statement of Accounts has been prepared in accordance with the Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting in the United Kingdom 2017/18, supported by International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS).
- 9.2 The Statement of Responsibilities for the Statement of Accounts (page 21) sets out the responsibilities of the Authority and Authority's Chief Financial Officer (Head of Financial Services) in relation to the Statement of Accounts.

#### **Core Financial Statements**

9.3 The Statement of Accounts comprises core financial statements and related notes along with supplementary financial statements. The core statements comprise:

#### **Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement** (page 26)

9.4 The Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement shows the accounting cost in the year of providing services in accordance with generally accepted accounting practices, rather than the amount to be funded from taxation. Authorities raise taxation to cover expenditure in accordance with regulations; this may be different from the accounting cost. The taxation position is shown in the Movement in Reserves Statement.

#### **Movement in Reserves Statement** (page 27)

9.5 This statement shows the movement from the start of the year to the end on the different reserves held by the Authority, analysed into 'usable reserves' (i.e. those that can be applied to fund expenditure or reduce local taxation) and other 'unusable reserves'. The Movement in Reserves Statement shows how the movements in the Authority's reserves during the year are broken down between gains and losses incurred in accordance with generally accepted accounting practices (Total Comprehensive Income and Expenditure) and the statutory adjustments required to return to the amounts chargeable to council tax for the year. The Net Increase/Decrease line shows the statutory General Fund Balance movement in the year following those adjustments.

#### Balance Sheet (page 28)

- 9.6 The Balance Sheet shows the value as at the Balance Sheet date of the assets and liabilities recognised by the Authority. The net assets of the Authority (assets less liabilities) are matched by the reserves held by the Authority. Reserves are reported in two categories.
  - (i). Usable reserves, i.e. those reserves that the Authority may use to provide services, subject to the need to maintain a prudent level of reserves and any statutory limitations on their use.
  - (ii). Unusable reserves, i.e. those that cannot be applied to fund expenditure or reduce taxation. This category includes reserves that hold unrealised gains and losses (for example the Revaluation Reserve), where amounts would only become available to provide services if the assets are sold, and reserves that hold timing differences shown in the Movement in Reserves Statement line 'Adjustments between accounting basis and funding basis under regulations'.

#### Cash Flow Statement (page 29)

9.7 This statement shows the changes in cash and cash equivalents of the Authority during the reporting period. The statement shows how the Authority generates and uses cash and cash equivalents by classifying cash flows as operating, investing and financing activities. The amount of cash flows arising from operating activities is a key indicator of the extent to which the operations of the Authority are funded by way of taxation and grant income or from recipients of services provided by the Authority. Investing activities represent the extent to which cash outflows have been made for resources which are intended to contribute to the Authority's future service delivery. Cash flows arising from financing activities are useful in predicting claims on future cash flows by providers of capital (i.e. borrowing) to the Authority.

#### **Supplementary Financial Statements**

#### Collection Fund (page 109)

9.8 The Collection Fund statement reflects the statutory obligation for billing authorities to maintain a separate Collection Fund. The statement shows the transactions of the Authority in relation to the collection from taxpayers and distribution to local authorities and Central Government of council tax and business rates (non-domestic rates - NDR).

#### **Group Accounts** (page 113)

- 9.9 The Group Accounts consolidate the financial statements of the Authority and its (material) interests in subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures.
- 9.10 The Group accounts set out in section 5 consolidate the financial statements of the following group entities with those of the Authority:
  - Subsidiaries Keswick Museum and Art Gallery and Helena Thompson Museum
  - Joint venture Allerdale Investment Partnership LLP

Further details can be found in notes G8 and G9 to the Group Accounts.

9.11 The notes to the group accounts provide narrative descriptions and disaggregation of those items presented in the group that differ from those included in the 'Authority Only' (single entity) statements and other disclosures specific to the group accounts. For items that do not differ between the 'Authority Only' and Group Accounts, reference should be made to the notes to the 'Authority Only' statements.

#### **Glossary**

9.12 A glossary of key terms used in the financial statements can be found in section 8 of this publication.

#### 1: STATEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITIES

## [1] Allerdale Borough Council's Responsibilities

The Authority is required to:

- make arrangements for the proper administration of its financial affairs and to secure that
  one of its officers has the responsibility for the administration of those affairs. In this
  Authority, that officer is the Head of Financial Services
- manage its affairs to secure economic, efficient and effective use of resources and safeguard its assets
- Approve the Statement of Accounts. In this Authority, that function is delegated to the Audit Committee.

## [2] The Head of Financial Services' Responsibilities

The Head of Financial Services is responsible for the preparation of the Authority's Statement of Accounts in accordance with proper practices as set out in the CIPFA/LASAAC Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting in the United Kingdom (the Code).

In preparing this Statement of Accounts, the Head of Financial Services has:

- · selected suitable accounting policies and then applied them consistently
- made judgements and estimates that were reasonable and prudent
- complied with the local authority Code.

The Head of Financial Services has also:

- · kept proper accounting records which were up to date
- taken reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

## [3] Certification by the Head of Financial Services

I certify that the Statement of Accounts presents a true and fair view of the financial position of the Authority and its income and expenditure for the year ended 31 March 2018.

Catherine Nicholson FCCA Head of Financial Services

## [4] Audit Committee Approval

These statements were approved by the Audit Committee on 27 July 2018.

Councillor Mary Bainbridge
Chair of the Audit Committee

**Dated:** 27 July 2018

**Dated: 27 July 2018** 



## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF ALLERDALE BOROUGH COUNCIL

### Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of Allerdale Borough Council (the 'Authority') and its subsidiaries (the 'group') for the year ended 31 March 2018 which comprise, the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement, the Movement in Reserves Statement, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement, the Collection Fund Statement, the Group Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement, the Group Movement in Reserves Statement, the Group Balance Sheet, the Group Cash Flow Statement, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and the CIPFA/LASAAC code of practice on local authority accounting in the United Kingdom 2017/18. In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the financial position of the group and of the Authority as at 31
  March 2018 and of the group's expenditure and income and the Authority's expenditure
  and income for the year then ended;
- have been prepared properly in accordance with the CIPFA/LASAAC code of practice on local authority accounting in the United Kingdom 2017/18; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014.

#### **Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the group and the Authority in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Who we are reporting to

This report is made solely to the members of the Authority, as a body, in accordance with Part 5 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 and as set out in paragraph 43 of the Statement of Responsibilities of Auditors and Audited Bodies published by Public Sector Audit Appointments Limited. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Authority's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Authority and the Authority's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

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### Conclusions relating to going concern

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

- the Head of Financial Service's use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the Head of Financial Services has not disclosed in the financial statements any
  identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the group's or the
  Authority's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period
  of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for
  issue.

#### Other information

The Head of Financial Services is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Statement of Accounts set out on pages 1 to 158, the Narrative Report, the Annual Governance Statement, other than the group and Authority financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge of the group and Authority obtained in the course of our work including that gained through work in relation to the Authority's arrangements for securing value for money through economy, efficiency and effectiveness in the use of its resources or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

# Other information we are required to report on by exception under the Code of Audit Practice

Under the Code of Audit Practice published by the National Audit Office on behalf of the Comptroller and Auditor General (the Code of Audit Practice) we are required to consider whether the Annual Governance Statement does not comply with the 'Delivering Good Governance in Local Government: Framework (2016)' published by CIPFA and SOLACE or is misleading or inconsistent with the information of which we are aware from our audit. We are not required to consider whether the Annual Governance Statement addresses all risks and controls or that risks are satisfactorily addressed by internal controls.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

#### Opinion on other matter required by the Code of Audit Practice

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit of the financial statements and our knowledge of the Authority gained through our work in relation to the Authority's arrangements for securing economy, efficiency and effectiveness in its use of resources, the other information published together with the financial statements in the Statement of Accounts, the Narrative Report, the Annual Governance Statement for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

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#### Matters on which we are required to report by exception

Under the Code of Audit Practice we are required to report to you if:

- we have reported a matter in the public interest under section 24 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 in the course of, or at the conclusion of the audit; or
- we have made a written recommendation to the Authority under section 24 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 in the course of, or at the conclusion of the audit; or
- we have exercised any other special powers of the auditor under the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014.

We have nothing to report in respect of the above matters.

## Responsibilities of the Authority, the Head of Financial Services and Those Charged with Governance for the financial statements

As explained more fully in the Statement of Responsibilities set out on page 21, the Authority is required to make arrangements for the proper administration of its financial affairs and to secure that one of its officers has the responsibility for the administration of those affairs. In this authority, that officer is the Head of Financial Services. The Head of Financial Services is responsible for the preparation of the Statement of Accounts, which includes the financial statements, in accordance with proper practices as set out in the CIPFA/LASAAC code of practice on local authority accounting in the United Kingdom 2017/18, which give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Head of Financial Services determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Head of Financial Services is responsible for assessing the group's and the Authority's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the group or the Authority lacks funding for its continued existence or when policy decisions have been made that affect the services provided by the group or the Authority.

The Audit Committee is Those Charged with Governance.

## Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: <a href="https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities">www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities</a>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

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# Report on other legal and regulatory requirements - Conclusion on the Authority's arrangements for securing economy, efficiency and effectiveness in its use of resources

#### Conclusion

On the basis of our work, having regard to the guidance on the specified criterion issued by the Comptroller and Auditor General in November 2017, we are satisfied that the Authority put in place proper arrangements for securing economy, efficiency and effectiveness in its use of resources for the year ended 31 March 2018.

#### Responsibilities of the Authority

The Authority is responsible for putting in place proper arrangements for securing economy, efficiency and effectiveness in its use of resources, to ensure proper stewardship and governance, and to review regularly the adequacy and effectiveness of these arrangements.

# Auditor's responsibilities for the review of the Authority's arrangements for securing economy, efficiency and effectiveness in its use of resources

We are required under Section 20(1)(c) of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 to be satisfied that the Authority has made proper arrangements for securing economy, efficiency and effectiveness in its use of resources. We are not required to consider, nor have we considered, whether all aspects of the Authority's arrangements for securing economy, efficiency and effectiveness in its use of resources are operating effectively.

We have undertaken our review in accordance with the Code of Audit Practice, having regard to the guidance on the specified criterion issued by the Comptroller and Auditor General in November 2017, as to whether in all significant respects the Authority had proper arrangements to ensure it took properly informed decisions and deployed resources to achieve planned and sustainable outcomes for taxpayers and local people. The Comptroller and Auditor General determined this criterion as that necessary for us to consider under the Code of Audit Practice in satisfying ourselves whether the Authority put in place proper arrangements for securing economy, efficiency and effectiveness in its use of resources for the year ended 31 March 2018.

We planned our work in accordance with the Code of Audit Practice. Based on our risk assessment, we undertook such work as we considered necessary to be satisfied that the Authority has put in place proper arrangements for securing economy, efficiency and effectiveness in its use of resources.

#### Report on other legal and regulatory requirements - Certificate

We certify that we have completed the audit of the financial statements of the Authority in accordance with the requirements of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 and the Code of Audit Practice.

John Farrar

John Farrar for and on behalf of Grant Thornton UK LLP, Appointed Auditor

4 Hardman Square Spinningfields Manchester M3 3EB

31 July 2018

## **Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement**

This statement shows the accounting cost in the year of providing services in accordance with generally accepted accounting practices, rather than the amount to be funded from taxation. Authorities raise taxation to cover expenditure in accordance with statutory requirements; this may be different from the accounting cost. The taxation position is shown in both the Expenditure and Funding Analysis and the Movement in Reserves Statement.

			2017/18		2016	6/17 As Re	stated
	Note	Exp. £'000	Inc. £'000	Net £'000	Exp. £'000	Inc. £'000	Net £'000
Corporate Resources		5,641	(2,600)	3,041	5,778	(2,968)	2,810
Economic Growth		2,461	(1,211)	1,250	2,490	(1,099)	1,391
Housing, Health & Wellbeing		3,168	(1,458)	1,710	2,732	(3,037)	(305)
Leader of the Council		2,227	(843)	1,384	1,234	(483)	751
Localities & Environmental Quality		10,172	(6,069)	4,103	10,610	(5,760)	4,850
Governance & People Resources		2,476	(754)	1,722	1,960	(737)	1,223
Tourism & Culture		982	(609)	373	767	(604)	163
Transformation		23,976	(21,823)	2,153	27,885	(25,665)	2,220
Cost of Services		51,103	(35,367)	15,736	53,456	(40,353)	13,103
(Gains)/losses on disposal of non-current assets	9			354			4,145
Parish council precepts				1,914			1,797
Other Operating Expenditure				2,268			5,942
Interest payable and similar charges	31.6			1,630			799
Interest receivable and similar income	31.6			(211)			(304)
Income & expenditure relating to investment properties	20			(1,687)			(1,488)
Changes in fair values of investment properties	20			(666)			(945)
(Gains)/losses on disposal of investment properties	9			0			0
Net interest on the net defined benefit liability	30			789			934
Financing and Investment Income and Expenditure				(145)			(1,004)
Capital grants and contributions	8.1			0			(90)
Unringfenced revenue grants	8.2			(4,466)			(4,433)
Council tax income	8.3			(6,872)			(6,602)
Non-domestic rates income and expenditure  Taxation and non-specific grant income and	8.4			(3,933)			(4,026)
expenditure				(15,271)			(15,151)
(Surplus) or Deficit on Provision of Services				2,588			2,890
Items that will not be reclassified to (Surplus) or Deficit on Provision of Services							
(Surplus)/deficit on revaluation of non-current assets				(5,228)			(690)
Remeasurement of the net defined benefit liability	30			(5,051)			6,627
Items that may be reclassified to (Surplus) or Deficit on Provision of Services							
(Surplus)/deficit on revaluation of available for sale financial assets (less amounts recycled on disposal)				0			0
Other Comprehensive Income and Expenditure				(10,279)			5,937
Total Comprehensive Income and Expenditure				(7,691)			8,827

## **Movement in Reserves Statement**

This statement shows the movement from the start of the year to the end on the different reserves held by the Authority, analysed into 'usable reserves' (i.e. those that can be applied to fund expenditure or reduce local taxation) and other 'unusable reserves'. The Movement in Reserves Statement shows how the movements in the Authority's reserves during the year are broken down between gains and losses incurred in accordance with generally accepted accounting practices and the statutory adjustments required to return to the amounts chargeable to council tax for the year. The Net Increase/Decrease line shows the statutory General Fund Balance movement in the year after making those adjustments.

2017/18	General Fund Balance <sup>1</sup>	Capital Receipts Reserve	Capital Grants Unapplied	Total Usable Reserves	Unusable Reserves	Total Authority Reserves
				(Note 16)	(Note 17)	
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Balance at 1 April 2017	10,301	378	1,563	12,242	22,564	34,806
Surplus or (deficit) on provision of services	(2,588)	0	0	(2,588)	0	(2,588)
Other Comprehensive Income and Expenditure	0	0	0	0	10,279	10,279
Total Comprehensive Income and Expenditure	(2,588)	0	0	(2,588)	10,279	7,691
Adjustments between accounting basis & funding basis under regulations (note 15)	1,012	82	(527)	567	(567)	0
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Year	(1,576)	82	(527)	(2,021)	9,712	7,691
Balance at 31 March 2018	8,725	460	1,036	10,221	32,276	42,497

2016/17	General Fund Balance <sup>1</sup>	Capital Receipts Reserve	Capital Grants Unapplied	Total Usable Reserves	Unusable Reserves	Total Authority Reserves
				(Note 16)	(Note 17)	
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Balance at 1 April 2016	8,646	409	861	9,916	33,717	43,633
Surplus or (deficit) on provision of services	(2,890)	0	0	(2,890)	0	(2,890)
Other Comprehensive Income and Expenditure	0	0	0	0	(5,937)	(5,937)
Total Comprehensive Income and Expenditure	(2,890)	0	0	(2,890)	(5,937)	(8,827)
Adjustments between accounting basis & funding basis under regulations (note 15)	4,545	(31)	702	5,216	(5,216)	0
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Year	1,655	(31)	702	2,326	(11,153)	(8,827)
Balance at 31 March 2017	10,301	378	1,563	12,242	22,564	34,806

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The general fund balance comprises earmarked balances of £3,804k (31 March 2017: £5,201k) and unearmarked general fund balance of £4,921k (31 March 2017: £5,100k)

## **Balance Sheet**

The Balance Sheet shows the value as at the balance sheet date of the assets and liabilities recognised by the Authority. The net assets of the Authority (assets less liabilities) are matched by the reserves held by the Authority. Reserves are reported in two categories. The first category of reserves are usable reserves i.e. those reserves that the Authority may use to provide services, subject to the need to maintain a prudent level of reserves and any statutory limitations on their use (for example the capital receipts reserve that may only be used to fund capital expenditure or repay debt). The second category of reserves is those that the Authority is not able to use to provide services. This category includes reserves that hold unrealised gains and losses (for example the Revaluation Reserve) and reserves that hold timing differences shown in the Movement in Reserves Statement line "Adjustments between accounting basis and funding basis under regulations".

		At 31/03/18	At 31/03/17
	Note	£'000	£'000
Property, Plant & Equipment	18	56,447	52,037
Heritage Assets	19	776	783
Investment Property	20	23,457	22,222
Intangible Assets	-	9	24
Long-term Investments	23	1,646	2,308
Long-term Debtors	-	35	36
Long-term (Non-Current) Assets		82,370	77,410
Inventory	-	84	26
Short-term Debtors	24	4,726	5,298
Payments in Advance	24	1,093	1,513
Cash and Cash Equivalents	25	7,139	8,077
Current Assets		13,042	14,914
Bank Overdraft	25	(1,805)	(1,860)
Short-term Borrowing	26	(593)	(509)
Short-term Creditors	27	(3,822)	(4,366)
Receipts in Advance	28	(1,209)	(1,547)
Provisions	29	(1,016)	(760)
Current Liabilities		(8,445)	(9,042)
Long-term Creditors & Receipts in Advance	-	(290)	(332)
Provisions	29	(311)	(55)
Long-term Borrowing	26	(15,067)	(13,380)
Defined Benefit Pension Scheme	30	(28,802)	(34,709)
Long-term Liabilities		(44,470)	(48,476)
Net Assets		42,497	34,806
Usable Reserves	16	10,221	12,242
Unusable Reserves	17	32,276	22,564
Total Reserves		42,497	34,806

These financial statements replace the unaudited financial statements certified by the Head of Financial Services on 31 May 2018.

## **Cash Flow Statement**

The Cash Flow Statement shows the changes in cash and cash equivalents of the Authority during the reporting period. The statement shows how the Authority generates and uses cash and cash equivalents by classifying cash flows as operating, investing and financing activities. The amount of net cash flows arising from operating activities is a key indicator of the extent to which the operations of the Authority are funded by way of taxation and grant income or from recipients of services provided by the Authority. Investing activities represent the extent to which cash outflows have been made for resources which are intended to contribute to the Authority's future service delivery. Cash flows arising from financing activities are useful in predicting claims on future cash flows by providers of capital (i.e. borrowing) to the Authority.

	Note	2017/18 £'000	2016/17 £'000
Net surplus or (deficit) on the provision of services	-	(2,588)	(2,890)
Adjustment to surplus or (deficit) on the provision of services for non-cash movements	32	1,072	5,193
Adjust for items included in the net surplus or deficit on the provision of services that are investing and financing activities	32	(74)	(380)
Net cash flows from Operating Activities		(1,590)	1,923
Net cash flows from Investing Activities	33	(804)	(2,543)
Net cash flows from Financing Activities	34	1,511	(553)
Net increase or (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		(883)	(1,173)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period	25	6,217	7,390
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period	25	5,334	6,217

## 1. Statement of Accounting Policies – Basis of Preparation

### Single entity (Authority only) accounts

The Statement of Accounts summarises the Authority's transactions for the 2017/18 financial year and its financial position at 31 March 2018. The Accounts and Audit (England) Regulations 2015 require the Authority to prepare for each financial year, a statement of accounts in accordance with proper practices. Under section 21(2) of the Local Government Act 2003 these practices primarily comprise the Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting in the United Kingdom 2017/18 (the Code), supported by International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS).

The accounting convention adopted in the Statement of Accounts is principally historical cost, modified by the revaluation of certain categories of non-current assets and financial instruments.

Significant accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the Authority's single entity (Authority only) and group financial statements are set out in section 6. The policies disclosed have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

#### **Group Accounts - basis of consolidation**

The Group Accounts (contained in section 5) consolidate the financial statements of the Authority and its (material) interests in subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures. The accounting policies used in preparing the Group Accounts are those specified for the Authority's single entity (authority only) financial statements. Where necessary, adjustments are made to the financial statements of subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures in preparing the Group Accounts to ensure conformity with those accounting policies. Additional accounting policies relevant to the preparation of the Group Accounts are described in section 6.

## 2. Changes to Accounting Policies

### 2.1 New or amended accounting standards adopted

The 2017/18 edition of the Code includes no changes impacting on the Authority's existing accounting policies as a result of new or amended standards.

#### 2.2 Prior period adjustments

# (i) Restatement of comparative amounts reported in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement and Expenditure and Funding Analysis

The service expenditure analysis used in the presentation of individual line items within the cost of services section of the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement, is based on the organisational structure under which the Authority operates. During 2017/18 a restructuring of Executive Member portfolios resulted in changes to members' responsibilities for individual services (including support services) and revisions to the allocation of services across Executive Member portfolios within the cost of services section of the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement. To ensure consistency and enhance inter-period comparability, the previously reported service analysis for 2016/17 has been restated in line with the aggregation of service income and expenditure used in 2017/18.

Adjustments have also been made to the comparative amounts reported in the Expenditure and Funding Analysis (Note 6), consistent with the changes made to the aggregation of service income and expenditure within the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement. Details of the changes made to previously reported amounts within the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement and Expenditure and Funding Analysis are summarised below.

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## **Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement**

	2016/17 As Previously Reported			Adjustment			2016/17 As Restated		
Executive Portfolio	Exp.	Inc.	Net	Exp.	Inc.	Net	Exp.	Inc.	Net
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Corporate Resources	6,518	(3,117)	3,401	(740)	149	(591)	5,778	(2,968)	2,810
Economic Growth	3,140	(1,672)	1,468	(650)	573	(77)	2,490	(1,099)	1,391
Housing, Health & Wellbeing	2,610	(2,913)	(303)	122	(124)	(2)	2,732	(3,037)	(305)
Leader of the Council	713	(210)	503	521	(273)	248	1,234	(483)	751
Localities & Environmental Quality	10,757	(5,445)	5,312	(147)	(315)	(462)	10,610	(5,760)	4,850
Governance & People Resources	0	0	0	1,960	(737)	1,223	1,960	(737)	1,223
Regulatory Services	26,550	(26,074)	476	(26,550)	26,074	(476)	0	0	0
Tourism & Culture	810	(604)	206	(43)	0	(43)	767	(604)	163
Transformation	2,358	(318)	2,040	25,527	(25,347)	180	27,885	(25,665)	2,220
Cost of Services	53,456	(40,353)	13,103	0	0	0	53,456	(40,353)	13,103

## **Expenditure and Funding Analysis**

	2016/1	7 – As Previously Re	ported	2016/17 – As Restated			
Executive Portfolio	Net Expenditure chargeable to General Fund (GF) Balances £'000	Adjustments between the Funding and Accounting Basis £'000	Net Expenditure in Comprehensive Income & Expenditure Statement £'000	Net Expenditure chargeable to General Fund (GF) Balances £'000	Adjustments between the Funding and Accounting Basis £'000	Net Expenditure in Comprehensive Income & Expenditure Statement £'000	
Corporate Resources	5,283	(1,882)	3,401	4,065	(1,255)	2,810	
Economic Growth	(269)	1,737	1,468	(347)	1,738	1,391	
Housing, Health & Wellbeing	317	(620)	(303)	281	(586)	(305)	
Leader of the Council	432	71	503	712	39	751	
Localities & Environmental Quality	3,332	1,980	5,312	3,007	1,843	4,850	
Governance & People Resources	0	0	0	1,322	(99)	1,223	
Regulatory Services	325	151	476	0	0	0	
Tourism & Culture	157	49	206	114	49	163	
Transformation	1,672	368	2,040	2,095	125	2,220	
Net Cost of Services	11,249	1,854	13,103	11,249	1,854	13,103	

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## 3. Critical Judgements made in applying Accounting Policies

In applying the accounting policies set out in section 6, the Authority has made certain judgements about complex transactions or those involving uncertainty about future events. The critical judgements made in the Statement of Accounts are:

# i. Leases – determination of whether contractual arrangements entered into have the substance of a lease

The Authority has made judgements on whether its contractual arrangements contain embedded leases. i.e. arrangements that do not have the legal form of a lease but convey a right to use an asset in return for payments in circumstances where fulfilment of the arrangement is dependent on the use of a specific asset or assets and the arrangement conveys the right to use the asset.

In making those judgements the Authority has applied IFRIC 4 – Determining whether an Arrangement contains a Lease and has determined that the service partnering agreements with Fomento de Construcciones y Contratas (FCC) Environment for waste collection and recycling and ISS for Grounds Maintenance Services, do not contain a leasing arrangement as fulfilment of the arrangement is not dependant on the use of specific assets. The expenditure on the FCC and ISS contracts are consequently charged to the appropriate service line item within the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement.

Had the arrangements been determined to contain a lease, IAS 17: Leases would apply. This would require the Authority to:

- separate payments under the contract into those for the lease and those for other elements of the contract on the basis of their relative fair values
- classify the lease as an operating or finance lease in accordance with IAS 17.

Classification of the leasing component of the arrangement as an operating lease would not have a material impact on the amounts charged to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement but would require the Authority to disclose in note 36 - Leases:

- the total future minimum lease payments payable at the balance sheet date
- the value of lease payments recognised as an expense in the period with separate amounts shown for minimum lease payments and contingent rentals.

Classification of the lease as a finance lease would require the Authority to recognise the vehicles and other equipment subject to the embedded lease arrangement on its balance sheet along with a liability to pay the lessor and to account for these in accordance with the accounting policy set out in Section 6, note 15.

The payments made under these contracts in 2017/18 amounted to £5.115m (2016/17: £5.077m).

Classification of the lease as a finance lease would impact on the portion of the contract payment included in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement. It would also require depreciation to be recognised on the vehicles and other equipment subject to the embedded lease arrangement. However, reversal of depreciation through the Movement in Reserves Statement to the Capital Adjustment Account and the recognition of MRP at an amount equal to the element of the lease payment that goes to write down the balance sheet liability, means that the overall charge to the general fund would again be unaffected by classification of the lease as a finance lease.

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# ii. Investment Properties – determination of whether land and buildings owned by the Authority are investment properties

In accordance with the Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting and IAS 40 – Investment Property, the Authority classifies as investment property properties (i.e. land or a building, or part of a building, or both) held solely to earn rentals or for capital appreciation or both, rather than for:

- a) use in the production or supply of goods or services or for administrative purposes, or
- b) sale in the ordinary course of operations.

In accordance with IAS 40, the Authority classifies property held for a 'currently undetermined future use' as investment property and measures these assets at fair value based on the amount that would be paid for the asset in its highest and best use from a market participant's perspective i.e. market value at the balance sheet date.

Under the Code, property held for a 'currently undetermined future use' may be classified as a surplus asset within property, plant and equipment and carried in the balance sheet at current value. Consistent with the requirements of the Code the current value of surplus assets is determined on the basis of fair value, estimated at highest and best use from a market participant's perspective. The same basis used for the valuation of investment property.

#### iii. Consolidation of charitable organisations controlled by the Authority

IFRS 10, Consolidated Financial Statements and the Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting, requires the Authority to consolidate in its group accounts, entities that it controls. Control exists only if an investor has (i) power over an investee (entity to be consolidated) i.e. existing rights that give it the current ability to direct (unilaterally) the relevant activities of the investee, (ii) exposure to variable returns from its involvement with an investee i.e. the returns have the potential to vary as a result of the entity's performance, and (iii) the ability to use its power to affect the level of variable returns. All three of these criteria must be met for an investor to have control over an investee. The terms 'investor' and 'investee' in the context of IFRS 10 and the Code are used to express a relationship where one entity controls another. The Authority (investor) is not required to have a financial interest in the investee for this to be the case.

The Code does not make any specific comments on the consolidation of charitable organisations in local authority financial statements. Local authorities are therefore required to follow the requirements of IFRS 10 in the Code and, where material, consolidate any charitable trust or fund where an authority meets the three criteria for control identified above.

The Authority is the sole trustee of:

- Keswick Museum and Art Gallery, an unincorporated charitable trust established under a charity scheme dated 11 January 1995.
- Helena Thompson Museum, an unincorporated charitable trust established under the will
  of the late Helena Agnes Mary Thompson.

Based on the relevant facts and circumstances, the Authority has concluded that - notwithstanding the restrictions imposed by the trusts' governing documents and charity law - it has control of both trusts and accordingly it should, subject to materiality considerations, include the assets, liabilities and reserves of the trusts in the Authority's Group Accounts. In forming this judgement the Authority has taken into consideration its:

- ability to direct unilaterally the operating and financing activities under powers established by the trusts' governing documents and by statute
- exposure to variable returns associated with its responsibilities as trustee and ongoing commitments to provide financial support to the trusts.

Non-consolidation of Keswick Museum and Art Gallery would:

- reduce the carrying amount of non-current assets at 31 March 2018 by £1,134,140 (31 March 2017: £1,134,140)
- reduce the balance of group reserves at 31 March 2018 by £1,134,140 (31 March 2017: £1,134,140).

Non-consolidation of the Helena Thompson Museum would:

- reduce the carrying amount of non-current assets at 31 March 2018 by £1,422,219 (31 March 2017: £1,463,740)
- reduce the balance of group reserves at 31 March 2018 by £1,422,219 (31 March 2017: £1,463,740).

# 4. Assumptions made about the future and other major sources of estimation uncertainty

The Statement of Accounts contains estimated figures that are based on assumptions made by the Authority about the future or that are otherwise uncertain. Estimates are made taking into account historical experience, current trends and other relevant factors. However, because balances cannot be determined with certainty, actual results could be materially different from the assumptions and estimates. The items in the Authority's Balance Sheet at 31 March 2018 for which there is a significant risk of material adjustment in the forthcoming financial year are as follows:

Item	Uncertainties	Effect if actual results differ from assumptions
Property, Plant & Equipment	Assets are depreciated over useful lives that are dependent on assumptions about the level of repairs and maintenance that will be incurred in relation to individual assets. The current economic climate makes it uncertain that the Authority will be able to sustain its current spending on repairs and maintenance, bringing into doubt the useful lives assigned to assets.	If the useful life of assets is reduced, depreciation increases and the carrying amount of the assets falls. Based on remaining asset lives it is estimated that the annual depreciation charge for operational assets will increase by £327,227 per year, if the useful lives of individual assets were to be reduced by two years. However, statutory accounting requirements mean that any increase in the depreciation charge would not impact on the General Fund.
Provisions	<ul> <li>The Authority's balance sheet at 31 March 2018 includes provisions totalling £1,326,739 (31.3.17: £815,231). This includes:</li> <li>£684,267 (31.3.17: £466,706) in respect of the Authority's share of the liability for refunding business ratepayers who successfully appeal against the rateable value of their properties on the rating list</li> <li>£109,772 (31.3.17: £127,239) in respect of insured liabilities including £80,425 (31.3.17: £55,000) relating to the estimated liability for incidents incurred but not yet reported to the insurer or the Authority</li> <li>A legal claims provision of £477,763 (31.3.17: £nil).</li> </ul>	The amounts recognised in the financial statements are based on the best estimate of the expenditure required to settle the obligation. Any subsequent increase or decrease in the amounts required to settle these obligations over the amounts provided for in the financial statements would lead to a corresponding decrease or increase in the General Fund balance or - for changes to the provision for business rates appeals not yet distributed in accordance with statutory provisions – the Collection Fund Adjustment Account balance.

Item	Uncertainties	Effect if actual results differ from assumptions
Pensions Liability	Estimation of the net liability to pay pensions depends on a number of complex judgements relating to the discount rate used, the rate at which salaries are projected to increase, changes in retirement ages, mortality rates and expected returns on pension fund assets.  A firm of consulting actuaries is engaged to provide the Authority with expert advice about the assumptions to be applied.	A sensitivity analysis for each significant actuarial assumption as of the end of the reporting period, showing how the defined benefit obligation would have been affected by changes in the relevant actuarial assumption that were reasonably possible at that date is set out in note 30. During 2017/18, the Authority's actuaries advised that the gross pension liability decreased by £3.99m (2016/17 £19.8m increase) as a result of re-measurements associated with experience gains and losses and changes in financial and demographic assumptions.
Impairment of financial assets & other receivables	At 31 March 2018, the Authority had a sundry debtors balance of £705,078 (31 March 2017: £1,442,216) against which an allowance of £126,582 (31 March 2017: £240,990) has been made for the impairment of doubtful debts. However, in the current economic climate it is not certain that such an allowance would be sufficient.	If collection rates were to deteriorate, a doubling of the amount of the impairment of doubtful debts would require an additional £126,582 to be set aside as an allowance for non-recovery of those debts.
Fair value measurements	The Authority uses an income approach or a market approach, to measure the fair value of its investment properties. The significant unobservable inputs used in the fair value measurement of investment property using the income approach include assumptions relating to future rental income, vacancy levels and the applicable discount rate (market yield). Where the market approach is used properties are valued by reference to market-based evidence using observed prices for recent market transactions for comparable properties. Where appropriate, adjustments are made to market price information to reflect differences in the legal, economic or physical characteristics of the property being valued. These include significant unobservable adjustments to reflect differences in the nature, condition and location of the property, tenure and encumbrances.  Information about the valuation techniques and key inputs used in determining the fair value of the Authority's investment properties is disclosed in note 20 (Investment Property).	Significant changes in any of the unobservable inputs would result in a significantly lower or higher fair value measurement of investment properties.

# 5. Impact of New Accounting standards not yet Adopted

The 2018/19 Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting - applicable to financial years commencing on or after 1 April 2018 - includes the following changes to accounting standards and interpretations that have been issued but not yet adopted:

- IFRS 9 Financial Instruments
- IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers including amendments to IFRS 15 Clarifications to IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers
- amendments to IAS 12 Income Taxes: Recognition of Deferred Tax Assets for Unrealised Losses
- amendments to IAS 7 Statement of Cash Flows: Disclosure Initiative.

### IFRS 9: Financial Instruments

The International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) issued the final version of IFRS 9 *Financial Instruments* in July 2014. It replaces IAS 39 *Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement* and all previous versions of IFRS 9. The standard introduces:

- major changes to previous (IAS 39) guidance on the classification and measurement of financial assets
- an 'expected loss' model for impairment of financial assets
- · new requirements on the application of hedge accounting.

### Classification and measurement of financial assets

IFRS 9 requires all financial assets within the scope of the standard to be classified for subsequent measurement into one of three main classification categories:

- (i). amortised cost
- (ii). fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI)
- (iii). fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL).

Classification is based on two criteria - (i) the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial asset ('cash flow characteristics test') and (ii) the entity's business model for managing the financial asset ('business model test').

Debt instruments that are held within a business model whose objective is to hold assets in order to collect contractual cash flows, and have contractual terms that give rise on specified dates, to cash flows that consist solely of payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding, are generally measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Debt instruments that are held within a business model whose objective is achieved both by collecting contractual cash flows and selling financial assets, and have contractual terms that give rise on specified dates, to cash flows that consist solely of payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding, are generally measured at fair value through other comprehensive income. All other debt instruments and equity investments are measured at fair value through profit and loss.

In addition under IFRS 9, an entity may make an irrevocable election at initial recognition to present subsequent changes in the fair value of an equity instrument, (that is not held for trading and is not contingent consideration of an acquirer in a business combination), in other comprehensive income. IFRS 9 also retains the option contained in IAS39 allowing entities to designate, on initial recognition, financial assets and financial liabilities to a fair value through profit or loss classification in certain circumstances. Under IFRS 9 it is however, no longer possible to measure investments in equity instruments at cost where they do not have a quoted price in an active market and their fair value cannot be reliably measured.

Financial assets are reclassified when, and only when, the objective of the business model in which they are held changes significantly.

### **Impairment**

IFRS 9 replaces IAS39's incurred loss model with a more forward looking 'expected loss' approach to accounting for credit losses. Under IFRS 9, it is no longer necessary for there to be objective evidence of impairment before credit losses are recognised. The expected credit loss model requires an entity to recognise a loss allowance, from the point of initial recognition, for all financial assets based on expected credit losses. The amount of expected credit losses (loss allowance) is updated at each reporting date to reflect changes in credit risk since initial recognition.

The expected loss approach applies to all financial assets measured at amortised cost, debt instruments measured at FVOCI, trade receivables, contract assets under IFRS 15: *Revenue from Contracts with Customers*, lease receivables, loan commitments and certain financial guarantee contracts. Equity instruments measured at FVOCI are not subject to IFRS 9's impairment accounting requirements.

Under the incurred loss model, impairments are recognised in three stages to reflect changes in credit risk:

- Stage 1(Performing) financial assets that have not deteriorated significantly in credit quality since initial recognition or that have a low credit risk at the reporting date.
- Stage 2 (Underperforming) financial assets that have deteriorated significantly in credit quality since initial recognition (unless they have low credit risk at the reporting date) but do not have objective evidence of a credit loss event
- Stage 3 (Non-performing) financial assets that have objective evidence of impairment at the reporting date.

For financial assets at stage 1, 12-month expected credit losses are recognised and interest calculated on the gross carrying amount of the asset (i.e. without reduction for expected credit losses). For items at stage 2, life-time expected credit losses are recognised. However, interest revenue is still calculated on the assets gross carrying amount. For items at stage 3, lifetime expected credit losses are recognised. However, interest revenue is calculated on the assets net carrying amount (i.e. reduced for expected credit losses).

A simplified approach to the general model described above applies to trade receivables, contract assets and lease receivables. For trade receivables or contract assets within the scope of IFRS 15, that do not contain a significant financing component, a loss allowance equal to lifetime expected credit losses should be recognised. Where such assets do contain significant financing component in accordance with IFRS 15, an entity is permitted to choose to apply either the simplified approach or the general approach. The policy choice may be applied separately to trade receivables and contract assets.

For lease receivables within the scope IAS 17 *Leases*, an entity may elect to measure the loss allowance at an amount equal to lifetime expected credit losses. The selected policy may be applied separately to finance and operating lease receivables.

### Hedge accounting

The optional hedge accounting requirements contained in IFRS 9 retain the three types of hedge accounting mechanisms – cash flow hedges, fair value hedges and net investment in foreign operations – currently available under IAS 39. However IFRS 9 introduces greater flexibility to the types of transactions eligible for hedge accounting by broadening the types of instruments that qualify as hedging instruments and increasing the number of eligible hedged items. In addition, the hedge effectiveness criteria contained in IAS 39 has been replaced with a more principles based approach. Retrospective assessment of hedge effectiveness is no longer required.

The accounting and presentation requirements for designated hedging relationships remain largely unchanged.

### Classification and measurement of financial liabilities

The classification and measurement of financial liabilities in accordance with IFRS 9 remains largely unchanged from IAS 39. The main exception relates to the accounting and presentation of changes in the fair value of an entity's own debt when the entity has elected to measure that debt at fair value under the fair value option.

IFRS 9 requires changes in the fair value of a financial liability attributable to changes in the entity's own credit risk, to be recognised in other comprehensive income (and expenditure for local authorities) rather than in profit or loss (Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services), unless the recognition of such changes in other comprehensive income would create or enlarge an accounting mismatch in profit or loss. Changes in fair value attributable to a financial liability's own credit risk are not subsequently reclassified to profit or loss.

### Presentation and disclosures

IFRS 9 also amends extensively, the requirements of IFRS 7 *Financial Instruments: Disclosures*, introducing a number of new disclosures relating to classification and measurement, impairment, hedge accounting and transitional reporting requirements.

IAS 1 *Presentation of Financial Statements* is also amended by IFRS 9 to include new line items in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income (Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement for local authorities).

### **Impact**

The areas within the Authority's single entity (Authority only) and group financial statements, expected to be most impacted by the application of IFRS 9 (as adopted by the Code), are the classification and measurement of financial instruments and the recognition and measurement of expected credit losses.

Short and long-term investments (including those classified as cash and cash equivalents) are held by the Authority (and Group) within a business model whose objective is to collect the contractual cash flows. Following application of IFRS 9, debt instruments currently classified as loans and receivables and available-for-sale financial assets, will be measured at amortised cost or fair value through profit or loss depending on whether the contractual cash flows associated with these instruments are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal outstanding.

Investments in unlisted equity instruments classified as available-for-sale financial assets qualify for designation as measured as FVOCI under IFRS 9. However the fair value gains and losses accumulated in the financial instruments revaluation reserve will no longer be subsequently reclassified to profit or loss (Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services) when the asset is derecognised. All other financial assets and financial liabilities will continue to be measured on the same basis as currently adopted under IAS 39 (as adopted by the Code).

The expected credit loss model will apply to the Authority's (and Group's) Trade and other receivables and to investments in debt instruments currently classified as loans and receivables and available for sale (unless classified as Fair Value through Profit or Loss following adoption of IFRS 9).

For trade receivables and contract assets arising from the application of IFRS 15 (see below) the Authority (and Group) expects to apply the simplified approach of recognising lifetime expected credit losses on the grounds that these items do not have a significant financing component.

Short- term (treasury management) investments (including those classified as cash and cash equivalents) are considered to have low credit risk given their high external credit ratings and the strong capacity of the investment counterparties to meet their contractual cash flow obligations. As a result the Authority expects to recognise 12-month expected credit losses for any such investment classified and measured at amortised cost under IFRS 9.

For other receivables, the recognition of 12-month expected credit losses or lifetime expected credit losses will depend on whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk of these items since initial recognition.

In general, the Authority anticipates that the application of the expected credit loss model of IFRS 9, will result in earlier recognition of credit losses for items with the scope of the standards impairment requirements and increase the amount of loss allowance recognised for these items.

The amendments made to IFRS 7 and IAS 1 are expected to change the nature and extent of the financial instruments disclosures included in the single entity and group accounts, particularly in the year in which the requirements of the new standard are adopted.

### **Transition**

IFRS 9 applies retrospectively for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 April 2018. However transitional reporting requirements provide certain detailed exceptions and exemptions from full retrospective application of the standards classification, measurement and impairment requirements.

This includes an exception (mandated under the Code) from the requirement to restate preceding year (comparative) information. Any difference between the previous carrying amount and the carrying amount at the beginning of the 2018/19 financial year is instead presented as an opening adjustment to reserves in the Movement in Reserves Statement. IFRS 9 is not applied to financial instruments derecognised before 1 April 2018.

### IFRS 15: Revenue from Contracts with Customers

IFRS 15 Revenue from Customers with Contracts was issued by the IASB in May 2014 and the related Clarifications to IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers in April 2016 (hereafter referred to as IFRS 15). IFRS 15 replaces IAS 18: Revenue and IAS 1: Construction Contracts and several revenue-related interpretations.

IFRS 15 provides a comprehensive framework for the recognition and measurement of revenue from contracts with customers\* (\*replaced with 'service recipient' in the Code). The core principle of IFRS 15 is that entities should recognise revenue to depict the transfer of promised goods or services to the customer in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. Specifically, the standard sets out a five step approach to revenue recognition:

- step 1 identify the contract(s) with the customer (service recipient)
- step 2 identify the performance obligations in the contract
- step 3 determine the transaction price
- step 4 allocate the transaction price to performance obligations, and
- step 5 recognise revenue when a performance obligation is satisfied.

The standard provides detailed guidance on each of these five steps.

Under IFRS 15 an entity recognises revenue when (or as) a performance obligation is satisfied i.e. when 'control' of the goods or services underlying the particular performance obligation is transferred to the customer.

IFRS 15 applies to all contracts with customers (except those within the scope of IAS 17 *Leases*, IFRS 9 *Financial Instruments*, the Group Accounts Standards (IFRS 10 Consolidated Financial Statements, IFRS 11 Joint Arrangements, IFRS 12 Disclosure of Interest in Other Entities, IAS 27 Separate Financial Statements (2011) and IAS 28 Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures), IFRS 4 Insurance Contracts and non-monetary exchanges between entities in the same line of business to facilitate sales to customers or potential customers).

IFRS 15 also introduces extensive qualitative and quantitative disclosures to help users of the financial statements understand the nature, amount, timing and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows arising from contracts with customers. Disclosures include the disaggregation of revenue, information on performance objectives, the significant judgements made and contract balances.

IFRS 15 applies retrospectively for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 April 2018. However, under the transitional arrangements adopted by the Code the cumulative effect of applying the standard is recognised at 1 April 2018 (the date of initial application) by way of an adjustment to the opening balance of reserves (or other component of reserves, as appropriate) of the 2018/19 financial year. Restatement of comparative periods is not required. Retrospective application applies only to contracts that are not completed contracts at 1April 2018.

Many of the major sources of revenue for local authorities, including council tax, non-domestic rates income and grants fall outside the scope of IFRS 15. Initial analysis of the Standard has consequently identified that on initial application there is unlikely to be a significant impact on local authorities.

Based on an initial assessment, the Codes adoption of IFRS 15 is not expected to have a material impact on the financial statements of the Authority or the Group.

# Amendments to IAS 12 *Income Taxes*: Recognition of Deferred Tax Assets for Unrealised Losses

The amendments to IAS 12: *Income Taxes* (Recognition of Deferred Tax Assets for Unrealised Losses) clarify the accounting for deferred tax assets related to unrealised losses on debt instruments measured at fair value but not deemed to be impaired. Specifically it clarifies that deferred taxes should be recognised for deductible temporary differences arising from unrealised losses on debt instruments measured at fair value if all other recognition criteria for deferred taxes are met, regardless of whether it is planned to recover the instrument through sale or by holding it to maturity.

These amendments to IAS12 are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 April 2018 and may apply to local authorities' Group Accounts. They will not however apply to local authority single entity statements.

### Amendments to IAS 7 Statement of Cash Flows: Disclosure Initiative

In January 2016, the IASB issued IAS 7: Statement of Cash Flows (Disclosure Initiative) which makes narrow-scope amendments to IAS 7 Statements of Cash Flows. The amendments introduce additional disclosures to enable users of the financial statements to evaluate changes in liabilities arising from financing activities. This includes changes arising from financing cash flows and non-cash changes.

The amendments suggest a reconciliation between the opening and closing balances in the balance sheet for liabilities arising from financing activities would meet the disclosure requirement, but a specific format is not mandated. However, where a reconciliation is used, the disclosure should provide sufficient information to link items included in the reconciliation to the balance sheet and cash flow statement. The amendments to IAS 7 are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 April 2018. On initial application, comparative information in respect of preceding periods is not required.

To satisfy the new disclosure requirements, the Authority intends to present a reconciliation between the opening and closing balances for liabilities arising from financing activities. Apart from the additional disclosures application of the amendments to IAS 7 will have no other impact on the Authority's single entity or group accounts.

# **6** Expenditure and Funding Analysis

The objective of the Expenditure and Funding Analysis is to demonstrate to council tax payers how the funding available to the Authority for the year (i.e. government grants, rents, council tax and business rates) has been used in providing services in comparison with those resources consumed or earned by the Authority in accordance with generally accepted accounting practices. The Expenditure and Funding Analysis also shows how this expenditure is allocated for decision making purposes between the Authority's Executive Portfolios. Income and expenditure accounted for under generally accepted accounting practices is presented more fully in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement.

		2017/18		20	16/17 – As Resta	ted
	Net Expenditure chargeable to General Fund (GF) Balances	Adjustments between the Funding and Accounting Basis	Net Expenditure in Comprehensive Income & Expenditure Statement	Net Expenditure chargeable to General Fund (GF) Balances	Adjustments between the Funding and Accounting Basis	Net Expenditure in Comprehensive Income & Expenditure Statement
	(statutory basis)	Note 6.1a	(accounting basis)	(statutory basis)	Note 6.1a	(accounting basis)
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Corporate Resources	5,456	(2,415)	3,041	4,065	(1,255)	2,810
Economic Growth	(771)	2,021	1,250	(347)	1,738	1,391
Housing, Health & Wellbeing	1,062	648	1,710	281	(586)	(305)
Leader of the Council	1,294	90	1,384	712	39	751
Localities & Environmental Quality	3,442	661	4,103	3,007	1,843	4,850
Governance & People Resources	1,793	(71)	1,722	1,322	(99)	1,223
Tourism & Culture	343	30	373	114	49	163
Transformation	1,830	323	2,153	2,095	125	2,220
Net Cost of Services	14,449	1,287	15,736	11,249	1,854	13,103
Other Operating Expenditure	1,914	354	2,268	1,797	4,145	5,942
Financing & Investment Income & Expenditure	0	(145)	(145)	0	(1,004)	(1,004)
Capital expenditure financed from GF	264	(264)	0	497	(497)	0
Taxation & non-ringfenced grants	(15,051)	(220)	(15,271)	(15,198)	47	(15,151)
Other Income and Expenditure	(12,873)	(275)	(13,147)	(12,904)	2,691	(10,213)
(Surplus) or Deficit on the General Fund	1,576	1,012	2,588	(1,655)	4,545	2,890
Opening General Fund Balance	10,301			8,646		
Surplus or (Deficit) on General Fund in Year	(1,576)			1,655		
Closing General Fund Balance at 31 March	8,725			10,301		

# 6.1 Expenditure and Funding Analysis

Decisions about resource allocation are taken by the Authority's Executive on the basis of budget reports that analyse income and expenditure across eight Executive Portfolios.

These reports are prepared on a statutory basis (also referred to as the funding basis), reflecting amounts chargeable to the general fund under statutory provisions. This differs from the accounting policies (accounting basis) used in preparing the financial statements in accordance with the Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting. In particular:

- no charges are made in relation to capital expenditure (whereas depreciation, revaluation and impairment losses in excess of the balance on the Revaluation Reserve and amortisation are charged to services in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement)
- the cost of retirement benefits is based on employer's pension contributions payable and direct payments made to pensioners rather than current service cost of benefits accrued in the year.

# (a) Adjustments between the Funding and Accounting Basis

A summary of adjustments to Net Expenditure Chargeable to the General Fund (GF) to arrive at the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement (CIES) amounts is shown in the following table:

	Reallocation	Reallocation Statutory Accounting Adjustments			
2017/18	of Other Income & Expenditure	Adjustments for Capital Purposes	Net change for Pensions Adjustments	Other Differences	Total
	(Note 6.1b)	(Note 6.1c)	(Note 6.1d)	(Note 6.1e)	
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Corporate Resources	(1,629)	(127)	(662)	3	(2,415)
Economic Growth	1,687	167	169	(2)	2,021
Housing, Health & Wellbeing	4	492	151	1	648
Leader of the Council	0	0	84	6	90
Localities & Environmental Quality	0	532	127	2	661
Governance & People Resources	0	0	(82)	11	(71)
Tourism & Culture	0	29	3	(2)	30
Transformation	0	20	312	(9)	323
Net Cost of Services	62	1,113	102	10	1,287
Other Operating Expenditure	244	110	0	0	354
Financing and Investment Income and Expenditure	(295)	(666)	789	27	(145)
Capital expenditure charged to General Fund Balances	(11)	(253)	0	0	(264)
Taxation & non-ringfenced grants	0	0	0	(220)	(220)
Other income and expenditure from Expenditure and Funding Analysis	(62)	(809)	789	(193)	(275)
Difference between GF surplus or deficit and CIES Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services	0	304	891	(183)	1,012

	Reallocation	Reallocation Statutory Accounting Adjustments			
2016/17 (as restated)	of Other Income & Expenditure	Adjustments for Capital Purposes	Net change for Pensions Adjustments	Other Differences	Total
	(Note 6.1b)	(Note 6.1c)	(Note 6.1d)	(Note 6.1e)	01000
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Corporate Resources	(630)	183	(799)	(9)	(1,255)
Economic Growth	1,488	179	76	(5)	1,738
Housing, Health & Wellbeing	4	(672)	89	(7)	(586)
Leader of the Council	0	0	38	1	39
Localities & Environmental Quality	0	1,812	32	(1)	1,843
Regulatory Services	0	0	(92)	(7)	(99)
Tourism & Culture	0	29	17	3	49
Transformation	0	0	129	(4)	125
Net Cost of Services	862	1,531	(510)	(29)	1,854
Other Operating Expenditure	224	3,921	0	0	4,415
Financing and Investment Income and Expenditure	(1,019)	(945)	934	26	(1,004)
Capital expenditure charged to General Fund Balances	(67)	(430)	0	0	(497)
Taxation & non-ringfenced grants	0	(90)	0	137	47
Other income and expenditure from Expenditure and Funding Analysis	(862)	2,456	934	163	2,691
Difference between GF surplus or deficit and CIES Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services	0	3,987	424	134	4,545

### (b) Reallocation of Other Income & Expenditure

Reallocations comprise amounts included in the portfolio service analysis used for decision making purposes but reported below the Net Cost of Services (NCS) line in the Comprehensive Income & Expenditure Statement.

	2017/18	2016/17
	£'000	£'000
Capital expenditure charged to General Fund	(233)	(157)
Interest payable & similar charges	(1,603)	(773)
Interest & investment income	211	304
Income & expenditure relating to investment properties	1,687	1,488
Reallocation from service expenditure to financing & investment income & expenditure	62	862

# (c) Adjustments for Capital Purposes

Adjustments for capital purposes comprise for:

- (i) Net Cost of Services: the recognition of capital grants & contributions and revenue expenditure funded from capital under statute. They also include the addition of depreciation, impairments and revaluation losses on non-current assets (PPE).
- (ii) Other Income and Expenditure totals:
  - removal from the amounts reported for decision making purposes of items
    relating to the use of general fund balances (including the use of earmarked
    general fund balances) to finance capital expenditure and statutory provision
    for the financing of capital expenditure (Minimum Revenue Provision) neither
    of which are chargeable under generally accepted accounting practices
  - recognition within the Other Operating Income and Expenditure of the gains and losses arising on derecognition of non-current assets (PPE)
  - the inclusion of changes in the fair values of investment properties and (gains) or losses on disposal of investment properties within the Financing and investment income and expenditure line item, and
  - the recognition of non-ringfenced capital grants, contributions and donations within the Taxation and non-specific grant income and expenditure line item.

	2017/18 £'000	2016/17 £'000
Depreciation, amortisation, impairment and revaluation	1,276	2,572
Revenue expenditure funded from capital under statute	1,601	1,348
Capital grants & contributions credited to cost of services	(1,141)	(1,978)
Statutory provision for the financing of capital investment (MRP)	(623)	(411)
(Gains)/losses on sale of non-current assets (PPE)	110	3,921
Changes in the fair values of investment properties	(666)	(945)
(Gains) or losses on disposal of investment properties	0	0
Non-ringfenced capital grants, contributions and donations	0	(90)
Use of General Fund & Earmarked balances to finance capital expenditure	(253)	(430)
	304	3,987

### (d) Net Change for the Pensions Adjustments

The net change for the Pensions Adjustments comprises the removal of pension contributions and direct payments to pensioners and the addition of employee benefits pension related expenditure and income in accordance with the Code and IAS 19 Employee Benefits.

For the net cost of services, the adjustments comprise the removal of the employer pension contributions and direct payments to pensioners made in accordance with statutory provisions and the inclusion of current service costs, past service costs/(gains) and (gains)/losses from curtailments.

For financing and investment income and expenditure, the adjustment comprises the recognition of the net interest on the defined benefit liability chargeable to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement.

	2017/18	2016/17
	£'000	£'000
IAS 19 pension costs included in net cost of services	2,050	1,389
Employers pension contributions and direct payments to pensioners	(1,948)	(1,899)
Net interest on net defined benefit liability	789	934
	891	424

### (e) Other Differences

Other differences between amounts charged or credited to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement and amounts recognised under statute comprise for:

- (i). Net Cost of Services: adjustments to expenditure to reflect timing differences associated with recognition of the costs of short-term paid absences (holiday pay)
- (ii). Financing and Investment Income and Expenditure: adjustments to the General Fund for the timing differences associated with the recognition of premiums and discounts arising from the premature repayment of debt
- (iii). Taxation and Non-Specific Grant Income and Expenditure: timing differences related to differences between the amount of council tax and non-domestic rates income credited to the Authority's general fund in accordance with statutory requirements and the amount of council tax and non-domestic rates income credited to the Comprehensive Income & Expenditure Statement under generally accepted accounting practices included in the Code.

	2017/18 £'000	2016/17 £'000
Movement on accrual for Employee Short-term Paid Absences	10	(29)
Adjustments involving the Financial Instrument Adjustment Account	27	26
Income from Council Tax – transfer to the Collection Fund Adjustment Account	100	58
Income from Business Rates – transfer to the Collection Fund Adjustment Account	(320)	79
	(183)	134

# 6.2 Expenditure and Income analysed by Nature

	2017/18	2016/17
	£'000	£'000
Fees, charges & other service income	(8,289)	(8,567)
Interest & investment income (interest receivable)	(211)	(304)
Income and expenditure relating to investment properties	(1,687)	(1,488)
Income from council tax & business rates	(10,805)	(10,628)
Grants & contributions	(31,544)	(36,310)
Change in fair value of investment properties	(666)	(945)
Total Income	(53,202)	(58,242)
Employee expenses	9,069	8,270
Other service expenses	40,758	42,615
Depreciation, amortisation, impairment and revaluation	1,276	2,572
Interest payments	1,630	799
Net interest on defined benefit pension liability	789	934
Precepts & levies	1,914	1,797
Gain or loss on disposal of non-current assets	354	4,145
Total operating expenses	55,790	61,132
(Surplus) or deficit on the provision of services	2,588	2,890

# 7. Grant income recognised in the cost of services

The Authority credited the following grants, contributions and donations to costs of services in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement.

# 7.1 Revenue Grants credited to Services in Comprehensive Income & Expenditure Statement

	2017/18 £'000	2016/17 £'000
DWP- Housing Benefit Administration	(285)	(347)
Grant received in relation to NNDR Cost of Collection Allowance	(183)	(187)
DWP - Grant received in relation to Rent Allowances	(20,273)	(23,821)
DWP - Discretionary Housing Payments	(233)	(211)
MHCLG - Localising Council Tax Support Administration Subsidy	(130)	(134)
MHCLG - Council Tax Flood Relief	(19)	(375)
MCLG - Community Housing Grant	(0)	(773)
Sellafield Limited - Social Impact Investment Fund	(804)	(120)
BEC Social Fund	-	(332)
Grant received in relation to Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty	(135)	(133)
Grant received in relation to Solway Wetlands	(394)	(254)
Cumbria County Council - Second Homes Income	(210)	(200)
Cumbria County Council - Flood Grant Funding	(2,331)	(2,219)
Electoral Commission - General & P&CC elections; EU referendum	(193)	(299)
Cumbria County Council - elections	(167)	0
Other Grants and contributions	(580)	(403)
	(25,937)	(29,808)

# 7.2 Capital Grants credited to Services in Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement

	2017/18 £'000	2016/17 £'000
Capital Grants received and applied in the current year		
Central Heating Fund (DECC)	0	(532)
Better Care Funding (DFG)	(1,001)	(710)
Capital Grants received in current year but not applied		
Central Heating Fund (DECC)	0	(494)
Better Care Funding (DFG)	(141)	(243)
	(1,141)	(1,979)

# 8. Taxation and Non-Specific Grant Income and Expenditure

The Authority has credited the following grants, contributions and donations to 'Taxation and non-specific grant income and expenditure' in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement.

# 8.1 Capital Grants Credited to Taxation and Non-Specific Grant Income

	2017/18 £'000	2016/17 £'000
Capital Grants received and applied in the current year		
WREN funding	0	(45)
Sports England – Lottery Funding	0	(45)
Capital Grants received in current year but not applied	0	0
	0	(90)

# 8.2 Unringfenced revenue grants credited to Taxation and Non-Specific Grant Income

	2017/18 £'000	2016/17 £'000
Revenue Support Grant	(1,061)	(1,700)
New Homes Bonus Scheme Grant	(1,612)	(1,533)
Section 31 Grant – Business Rates	(1,530)	(875)
Other	(263)	(325)
	(4,466)	(4,433)

### 8.3 Council tax income

	2017/18 £'000	2016/17 £'000
Precept	(6,833)	(6,511)
Distribution of estimated prior year (surplus)/deficit	(139)	(149)
Demand on Collection Fund	(6,972)	(6,660)
Share of actual surplus/(deficit) at 1 April	192	250
Share of actual (surplus)/deficit at 31 March	(92)	(192)
	(6,872)	(6,602)

## 8.4 Non-domestic rates income and expenditure

	2017/18 £'000	2016/17 £'000
Share of Non Domestic Rates Income	(11,252)	(11,278)
Tariff	6,927	6,952
Levy Expenditure	392	300
	(3,933)	(4,026)

# 9. Gains and losses on disposal of non-current assets

		2017/18		2016/17		
	Gains £'000	Losses £'000	Net £'000	Gains £'000	Losses £'000	Net £'000
Non-Current Assets Held for Sale	0	0	0	0	7	7
Property, Plant & Equipment	(39)	394	354	(5)	4,143	4,138
	(39)	394	354	(5)	4,150	4,145
Investment property	0	0	0	0	0	0

The loss of £4,150k incurred on disposal of Property, Plant & Equipment in 2016/17 includes a loss of £3,472k arising following the closure and subsequent demolition of the Moorclose Sports Centre.

# 10. Trading Concerns

The Authority operates a number of trading operations. The financial results of these operations - included within net cost of services under the relevant service heading - are as follows:

		2017/18			2016/17	
	Turnover	Turnover Expenditure (Surplus)/ Deficit		Turnover	Expenditure	(Surplus)/ Deficit
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Off Street Parking	(2,661)	1,305	(1,356)	(2,465)	1,203	(1,262)
<b>Building Control</b>	(294)	414	120	(311)	327	16
Trade Waste	(1,170)	872	(298)	(997)	672	(325)
Pest Control	(22)	62	40	(26)	62	36
	(4,147)	2,653	(1,494)	(3,799)	2,264	(1,535)

Details of trading income and expenditure in respect of industrial units and other investment properties, reported within the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement under the heading 'Income & expenditure relating to investment properties', are summarised in note 20 - Investment Property.

### 11. External Audit Costs

The Authority incurred the following costs in relation to the audit of the Statement of Accounts, and non-audit services provided by the Authority's external auditors:

	2017/18 £'000	2016/17 £'000
Fees payable with regard to external audit services carried out by the appointed auditor under the Code of Audit Practice prepared by the Comptroller and Auditor General	48	48
Fees payable for the certification of grant claims and returns	15	13
	63	61

### 12. Members' Allowances

The Authority paid the following amounts to members of the Council during the year:

	2017/18	2016/17
	£	£
Basic Allowances	177,272	171,051
Special Responsibility Allowances	92,296	91,805
Expenses	9,162	11,265
Total	278,730	274,121

### 13. Officers' Remuneration

The number of employees (including senior employees) whose remuneration, excluding pension contributions, was £50,000 or more, in bands of £5,000 was:

Remuneration Band	Number of Employees			
	2017/18	2016/17		
£50,000 - £54,999	6	5		
£55,000 - £59,999	2	4		
£60,000 - £64,999	0	0		
£65,000 - £69,999	0	0		
£70,000 - £74,999	0	0		
£75,000 - £79,999	0	1		
£80,000 - £84,999	1	0		
£85,000 - £89,999	0	0		
£90,000 - £94,999	0	0		
£95,000 - £99,999	0	0		
£100,000 - £104,999	1	1		
Total	10	11		

### 13.1 Senior Officers' Remuneration

Remuneration paid to the Authority's Senior Employees is as follows:

Remu	neration for	Senior Emp	ployees 2017/	18	
Post Title	Salary fees & allowances £	Expense allowances	Total excluding pension contributions	Pension contributions	Total including pension contributions
Chief Executive	102,810	1,239	104,049	13,816	117,865
Corporate Director	78,858	1,278	80,136	11,434	91,570
Head of Financial Services	57,073	359	57,432	8,276	65,708
Head of Governance	28,873	0	28,873	8,198	37,071
Interim Head of Governance	50,777	0	50,777	7,363	58,140
Head of Customer, Transformation & Commissioning	51,635	0	51,635	6,540	58,175
Head of Housing & Health	51,755	51	51,806	7,504	59,310
Head of Community Services	52,115	54	52,169	7,557	59,726
Head of Place Development	51,665	6	51,671	7,491	59,162
Head of Strategy Policy & Performance Interim Head of People	51,715	228	51,943	7,499	59,442
Resources <sup>1</sup>	29,225	6,967	36,192	0	36,192
	606,501	10,182	616,683	85,678	702,361

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Between April 2017 and November 2017 the role of Head of People Resources was provided on an interim basis by Stanhope Consultancy Limited.

Remu	Remuneration for Senior Employees 2016/17							
Post Title	Salary fees & allowances £	Expense allowances	Total excluding pension contributions £	Pension contributions	Total including pension contributions			
Chief Executive	102,150	1,239	103,389	11,923	115,312			
Corporate Director	78,065	1,343	79,408	9,836	89,244			
Head of Financial Services	56,258	319	56,577	7,088	63,665			
Head of Governance	56,118	0	56,118	7,071	63,189			
Head of Customer, Transformation & Commissioning	51,660	0	51,660	5,824	57,484			
Head of Housing & Health	51,410	44	51,454	6,478	57,932			
Head of Community Services	51,270	89	51,359	6,460	57,819			
Head of Development Services	51,270	0	51,270	6,460	57,730			
Head of Economic Growth	51,160	268	51,428	6,446	57,874			
Head of People Resources <sup>1</sup>	38,500	0	38,500	4,851	43,351			
Interim Head of People Resources <sup>2</sup>	10,325	2,167	12,492	0	12,492			
	598,186	5,469	603,655	72,437	676,092			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Head of People Resources left the Authority on 31 December 2016. During the period April to September 2016 this post was shared with Copeland Borough Council. Of the £38,500 paid during 2016/17 £13,092.69 was recharged to Copeland Borough Council under the terms of this arrangement.

# 14. Exit Packages

The number of exit packages with total cost per band and the total cost compulsory and other departures is set out in the following table:

Exit package cost band (including special payments)	Number of compulsory redundancies		Number of other departures agreed				exit pac	umber of kages by band	package	st of exit s in each nd
	2017/18	2016/17	2017/18	2016/17	2017/18	2016/17	2017/18	2016/17		
£0 - £20,000	0	3	4	1	4	4	£22,054	£34,545		
£20,001 - £40,000	0	0	3	1	3	1	£92,265	£21,527		
£40,001 - £60,000	0	0	2	0	2	0	£103,363	0		
£60,001 - £80,000	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	£60,337		
£80,001 - 100,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
£100,001 - £150,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
	0	4	9	2	9	6	£217,682	£116,409		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> From January 2017 the role of Head of People Resources was provided on an interim basis by Stanhope Consultancy Limited.

# 15. Adjustment between Accounting Basis & Funding Basis under Regulations

This note details the adjustments made to the total Comprehensive Income and Expenditure recognised by the Authority in the year in accordance with proper accounting practice to arrive at the resources that are specified by statutory provisions as being available to the Authority to meet future capital and revenue expenditure. A description of the reserves that the adjustments are made against is set out in notes 16 and 17.

2017/18	General Fund	Capital Receipts	Capital Grants	Unusable Reserves
	£'000	Reserve £'000	Unapplied £'000	£'000
Adjustments primarily involving Capital Adjustment Account				
Reversal of items debited/credited to the Comprehensive Income & Expenditure Statement				
Depreciation and Impairment of non-current assets Revaluation losses /(gains) Movement in the fair value of investment properties Amortisation of intangible assets	1,721 (460) (666) 15			(1,721) 460 666 (15)
Capital Grants & contributions Revenue expenditure funded from capital under statute Income in relation to donated assets	(1,001) 1,601 0			1,001 (1,601) 0
Carrying amount of non-current assets written off on derecognition as part of the gain or loss on disposal Items not debited or credited to the Comprehensive	184			(184)
Income & Expenditure Statement				
Statutory provision for the financing of capital investment Capital expenditure to General Fund	(623) (253)			623 253
Adjustments primarily involving Capital Grant Unapplied Account	518	0	0	(518)
Capital grants & contributions unapplied credited to the Comprehensive Income & Expenditure Statement	(140)		140	
Application of grants to finance capital expenditure transferred to the Capital Adjustment account			(667)	667
	(140)	0	(527)	667
Adjustments primarily involving the Capital Receipts Reserve				
Transfer of cash sale proceeds credited to the Comprehensive Income & Expenditure Statement as part of gain/loss on disposal	(74)	74		
Capital receipts arising on repayment of grants	0	0		
Use of Capital Receipts Reserve to finance new capital expenditure		(3)		3
Capital receipt arising on repayment of long term loan advances		1		(1)
Adjustments primarily involving the Deferred Capital Receipts Reserve	(74)	72	0	2
Deferred sale proceeds credited as part of the gain/loss on disposal to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement		10		(10)
	0	10	0	(10)

2017/18 Continued	General Fund £'000	Capital Receipts Reserve £'000	Capital Grants Unapplied £'000	Unusable Reserves £'000
Adjustments involving the Financial Instrument Adjustment Account				
Amount by which finance costs charged to the Comprehensive Income & Expenditure Statement are different from finance costs chargeable in the year in accordance with statutory requirements	27			(27)
, '	27	0	0	(27)
Adjustments involving the Pension Reserve				
Reversal of items relating to retirement benefits debited or credited to the Comprehensive Income & Expenditure Statement	2,839			(2,839)
Employers pension contributions and direct payments to pensioners payable in the year	(1,948)			1,948
	891	0	0	(891)
Adjustments involving the Collection Fund Adjustment Account				
Amount by which council tax and non-domestic rates income credited to the Comprehensive Income & Expenditure Statement is different from council tax and non-domestic rates income calculated for the year in accordance with statutory requirements	(220)			220
, ,	(220)	0	0	220
Adjustments involving the Accumulated Absences Account				
Movement on accrual for short-term compensated absences	10			(10)
	10	0	0	(10)
Movement during the year	1,012	82	(527)	(567)

	General	Capital	Capital	Unusable
2016/17	Fund	Receipts	Grants	Reserves
	£'000	Reserve £'000	Unapplied £'000	£'000
Adjustments primarily involving Capital Adjustment				
Account				
Reversal of items debited/credited to the Comprehensive Income & Expenditure Statement				
Depreciation and Impairment of non-current assets	2,518			(2,518)
Revaluation losses/(gains)	34			(34)
Movement in the fair value of investment properties	(945)			945
Amortisation of intangible assets	20			(20)
Capital Grants & contributions	(1,331)			1,331
Revenue expenditure funded from capital under statute	1,348			(1,348)
Income in relation to donated assets	0			0
Carrying amount of non-current assets written off on derecognition as part of the gain or loss on disposal	4,211			(4,211)
Items not debited or credited to the Comprehensive Income & Expenditure Statement				
Statutory provision for the financing of capital investment	(411)			411
Capital expenditure to General Fund	(430)			430
	5,014	0	0	(5,014)
Adjustments primarily involving Capital Grant Unapplied Account				
Capital grants & contributions unapplied credited to the Comprehensive Income & Expenditure Statement	(737)		737	
Application of grants to finance capital expenditure transferred to the Capital Adjustment account			(35)	35
	(737)	0	702	35
Adjustments primarily involving the Capital Receipts				
Reserve Transfer of cash sale proceeds credited to the Comprehensive Income & Expenditure Statement as part				
of gain/loss on disposal	(280)	280		
Capital receipts arising on repayment of grants	0	0		
Use of Capital Receipts Reserve to finance new capital expenditure		(312)		312
Capital receipt arising on repayment of long term loan		1		(1)
advances				
	(280)	(31)	0	311
Adjustments primarily involving the Deferred Capital Receipts Reserve				
Deferred sale proceeds credited as part of the gain/loss on disposal to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement	(10)			10
	(10)	0	0	10

2016/17 Continued	General Fund £'000	Capital Receipts Reserve £'000	Capital Grants Unapplied £'000	Unusable Reserves £'000
Adjustments involving the Financial Instrument Adjustment Account				
Amount by which finance costs charged to the Comprehensive Income & Expenditure Statement are different from finance costs chargeable in the year in accordance with statutory requirements	26			(26)
, .	26	0	0	(26)
Adjustments involving the Pension Reserve				
Reversal of items relating to retirement benefits debited or credited to the Comprehensive Income & Expenditure Statement	2,323			(2,323)
Employers pension contributions and direct payments to pensioners payable in the year	(1,899)			1,899
	424	0	0	(424)
Adjustments involving the Collection Fund Adjustment Account				
Amount by which council tax and non-domestic rates income credited to the Comprehensive Income & Expenditure Statement is different from council tax and non-domestic rates income calculated for the year in accordance with statutory requirements	137			(137)
	137	0	0	(137)
Adjustments involving the Accumulated Absences Account				
Movement on accrual for short-term compensated absences	(29)			29
	(29)		-	29
Movement during the year	4,545	(31)	702	(5,216)

# 16. Usable Reserves

Reserve	At 31 March 2017	Net movement in the year	At 31 March 2018	
	£'000	£'000	£'000	Note
Earmarked General Fund Reserves	5,201	(1,397)	3,804	16.1
Un-earmarked General Fund Balance	5,100	(179)	4,921	16.2
Total General Fund Balance	10,301	(1,576)	8,725	
Capital Receipts Reserve	378	82	460	16.3
Capital Grants Unapplied	1,563	(527)	1,036	16.4
Total Usable Reserves	12,242	(2,021)	10,221	

### 16.1 Earmarked Reserves

This note summarises the amounts set aside from the General Fund in Earmarked Reserves to provide financing for future expenditure plans and the amounts posted back from Earmarked Reserves to meet General Fund expenditure 2017/18.

2017/18	31.3.17	Application	Contribution & transfers	Released to General Fund	31.3.18
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Revenue Financing	238	(231)	16	(7)	16
Contractual Disputes	0	(150)	150	0	0
Pension Enrolment Scheme	150	0	(150)	0	0
Misc. Corporate Resources	261	(50)	52	(2)	261
Enterprise Coaches (WISE)	33	0	0	(33)	0
Misc. Economic Growth	293	(212)	53	(7)	127
External Legal Services	466	(466)	0	0	0
Misc. Governance & People Resources	209	(54)	134	(4)	285
Community Housing Fund	762	(28)	0	0	734
Major Incident Response	73	(5)	31	0	99
Misc. Housing, Health & Wellbeing	22	(16)	9	(5)	10
Corporate Transformation	379	(253)	(43)	0	83
Planning Policy	104	(27)	0	0	77
Economic Growth	155	(145)	0	(4)	6
Corporate Priorities-Credit Union	0	0	154	0	154
Corporate Priorities & Inequality	0	0	211	0	211
Misc. Leader of the Council	1	(1)	34	0	34
Leisure Activities	23	(18)	0	0	5
Weekly Collection Support Scheme	125	(13)	(112)	0	0
Major Contract Procurement	0	(142)	142	0	0
Misc. Locality & Environmental		, ,			
Quality	42	(19)	13	0	36
Misc. Tourism & Culture	30	0	63	(1)	92
Anti-Poverty	1	0	0	(1)	0
Revenues & Benefits	60	(39)	0	(21)	0
Shared ICT Costs	4	(4)	0	0	0
ARCUS System	0	0	117	0	117
Misc. Transformation	47	(21)	35	0	61
AIP Loan Notes	222	(109)	0	0	113
NNDR Rate Pool Volatility Fund	102	0	0	0	102
Business Rate Income	621	0	200	0	821
AIP Loan Note Interest	552	(552)	0	0	0
Section 31 NNDR	226	(226)	360	0	360
Total	5,201	(2,781)	1,469	(85)	3,804

2016/17	31.3.16	Application	Contribution & transfers	Released to General Fund	31.3.17
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Revenue Financing	146	(42)	134	0	238
Contractual Disputes	0	0	0	0	0
Pension Enrolment Scheme	100	0	50	0	150
Misc. Corporate Resources	341	(83)	14	(11)	261
Enterprise Coaches (WISE)	116	(83)	0	0	33
Misc. Economic Growth	240	(126)	182	(3)	293
External Legal Services Misc. Governance & People	0	0	466	0	466
Resources	289	(62)	35	(53)	209
Community Housing Fund	0	0	762	0	762
Major Incident Response	0	0	73	0	73
Misc. Housing, Health & Wellbeing	43	(11)	9	(19)	22
Corporate Transformation	0	0	379	0	379
Planning Policy	106	(17)	15	0	104
Economic Growth	75	(46)	126	0	155
Corporate Priorities-Credit Union	0	0	0	0	0
Corporate Priorities & Inequality	0	0	0	0	0
Misc. Leader of the Council	13	(13)	1	0	1
Leisure Activities	103	(80)	0	0	23
Weekly Collection Support Scheme	125	0	0	0	125
Major Contract Procurement Misc. Locality & Environmental	0	0	0	0 (40)	0
Quality	60	(35)	36	(19)	42
Misc. Tourism & Culture	5	(4)	29	0	30
Anti-Poverty	65	(64)	0	0	1
Revs & Bens	175	(70)	(41)	(4)	60
Shared ICT Costs	59	(55)	0	0	4
ARCUS System	0	0	0	0	0
Misc. Transformation	92	(36)	6	(15)	47
AIP Loan Notes	222	0	0	0	222
NNDR Rate Pool Volatility Fund	102	0	0	0	102
Business Rate Income	621	0	0	0	621
AIP Loan Note Interest	306	0	246	0	552
Section 31 NNDR	171	0	55	0	226
Total	3,575	(827)	2,577	(124)	5,201

### 16.2 General Fund

The General Fund is the statutory fund into which all receipts of the Authority are required to be paid and out of which all liabilities of the Authority are to be met, except to the extent that statutory rules provide otherwise. These rules can also specify the financial year in which liabilities and payments should impact on the General Fund Balance, which is not necessarily in accordance with proper accounting practice. The General Fund Balance therefore summarises the resources the Authority is statutorily empowered to spend on its services or on capital investment (or the deficit of resources that the Authority is required to recover) at the end of the financial year.

	2017/18 £'000	2016/17 £'000
General Fund Balance at 1 April	5,100	5,071
Increase/(decrease) in year	(179)	29
Balance at 31 March	4,921	5,100

### 16.3 Capital Receipts Reserve

The Capital Receipts Reserve holds the proceeds from the disposal of land and other assets, which are restricted by statute from being used other than to fund new capital expenditure or to be set aside to finance historical capital expenditure. The balance on the reserve shows the resources that have yet to be applied for these purposes at the year-end.

	2017/18 £'000	2016/17 £'000
Balance at 1 April	378	409
Sale proceeds credited to the Comprehensive Income & Expenditure Statement as part of gain/loss on disposal	74	281
Transfer from Deferred Capital Receipts Reserve	10	0
Capital receipt arising on repayment of grant assistance & long term loan advances	1	0
Total capital receipts received in the year	85	281
Receipts applied to finance capital expenditure during the year	(3)	(312)
Balance at 31 March	460	378

### 16.4 Capital Grants Unapplied

The Capital Grants Unapplied Account (Reserve) holds the balance of grants and contributions received towards capital projects in respect of which the Authority has met the conditions that would otherwise require repayment of the monies, but which have yet to be applied to meet expenditure. The balance is restricted by grant terms as to the capital expenditure against which it can be applied and/or the financial year in which this can take place.

	2017/18	2016/17
	£'000	£'000
Balance as at 1 April	1,563	861
Capital Grants received in previous years and applied in current year	(667)	(35)
Capital Grants received in current year but not applied	140	737
Balance at 31 March	1,036	1,563

### 17 Unusable Reserves

Reserve	At 1 April 2017	Movement in the Year	At 31 March 2018	
	£'000	£'000	£'000	Note
Revaluation Reserve	11,362	4,700	16,062	17.1
Capital Adjustment Account	45,064	679	45,743	17.2
Deferred Capital Receipts Reserve	1,533	(10)	1,523	17.3
Pensions Reserve	(34,709)	4,160	(30,549)	17.4
Collection Fund Adjustment Account	(555)	220	(335)	17.5
Financial Instruments Adjustment Account	(55)	(27)	(82)	17.6
Accumulated Absences Account	(86)	(10)	(96)	17.7
Available for Sale Financial Instruments Reserve	10	0	10	17.8
	22,564	9,712	32,276	

### 17.1 Revaluation Reserve

The Revaluation Reserve contains the gains arising from increases in the value of the Authority's Property, Plant and Equipment and Heritage Assets. The balance is reduced when assets with accumulated gains are:

- revalued downwards or impaired
- used in the provision of services and the gains are consumed through depreciation, or
- disposed of and the gains are realised.

The Reserve contains only revaluation gains accumulated since 1 April 2007, the date the Reserve was first established under the Code. Accumulated gains arising before that date are consolidated into the balance on the Capital Adjustment Account.

	2017/18	2016/17
	£'000	£'000
Balance as at 1 April	11,362	13,471
Revaluation of assets	5,228	690
Amounts written off to the capital adjustment account:		
Difference between fair value depreciation and historical cost		
depreciation – current year	(459)	(1,019)
Accumulated gains on assets sold or scrapped – current year	(69)	(1,780)
Balance at 31 March	16,062	11,362

### 17.2 Capital Adjustment Account

The Capital Adjustment Account absorbs the timing differences arising from the different arrangements for accounting for the consumption of non-current assets and for financing the acquisition, construction or the addition of subsequent costs to non-current asset under statutory provisions. The account is debited with the cost of acquisition, construction or subsequent costs, as depreciation, impairment losses and amortisation, are charged to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement (with reconciling postings from the Revaluation Reserve to convert current value figures to a historical cost basis). The account is credited with the amounts set aside by the Authority as finance for the costs of acquisition, construction and subsequent costs. The account contains accumulated gains and losses on Investment Properties and gains recognised on donated assets that have yet to be consumed by the Authority. The Account also contains revaluation gains accumulated on Property, Plant and Equipment before 1 April 2007, the date that the Revaluation Reserve was created to hold such gains.

	2017/18 £'000	2016/17 £'000
Balance at 1 April	45,064	46,933
Reversal of items relating to capital expenditure debited or credited to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement:		
Depreciation of non-current assets	(1,721)	(2,518)
Revaluation losses on Property, Plant and Equipment & Heritage Assets	460	(34)
Amortisation of intangibles	(15)	(20)
Revenue Expenditure Funded from Capital Under Statute	(1,601)	(1,348)
Carrying amounts of non-current assets written off on disposal or sale as part of the gain/loss on disposal to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement	(184)	(4,211)
Adjusting amounts written out of the Revaluation Reserve:		
Accumulated gains on assets sold written out of the Revaluation Reserve	69	1,780
Difference between fair value depreciation and historical cost depreciation	459	1,019
Capital financing applied in the year:		
Use of the Capital Receipts Reserve to finance new capital expenditure	3	312
Capital grants and contributions credited to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement that have been applied to capital financing	1,001	1,331
Application of grants to capital financing from the Capital Grants Unapplied Account	667	35
Statutory provision for the financing of capital investment charged against the General Fund (minimum revenue provision)	623	411
Capital expenditure charged against the General Fund balance	253	430
Movements in the fair value of Investment Properties debited or credited		
to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement	666	945
Write down of long term debtor balances	(1)	(1)
Balance at 31 March	45,743	45,064

### 17.3 Deferred Capital Receipts Reserve

The Deferred Capital Receipts Reserve holds the gains (income) recognised on the disposal of non-current assets but for which cash settlement has yet to take place. Under statutory arrangements, the Authority does not treat these gains as usable for financing new capital expenditure until they are backed by cash receipts. When the deferred cash settlement eventually takes place, amounts are transferred to the Capital Receipts Reserve.

	2017/18 £'000	2016/17 £'000
Balance at 1 April	1,533	1,523
Deferred sale proceeds credited as part of the gain/loss on disposal to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement	0	10
Transfer to the Capital Receipts Reserve upon receipt of cash	(10)	0
Balance at 31 March	1,523	1,533

### 17.4 Pensions Reserve

The Pensions Reserve absorbs the timing differences arising from the different arrangements for accounting for post-employment benefits and for funding benefits in accordance with statutory provisions. The Authority accounts for post-employment benefits in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement as the benefits are earned by employees accruing years of service, updating the liabilities recognised to reflect inflation, changing assumptions and investment returns on any resources set aside to meet the costs. However, statutory arrangements require benefits earned to be financed as the Authority makes employer's contributions to the pension fund or pays pensions for which it is directly responsible. The debit balance on the Pensions Reserve shows the shortfall between the benefits earned by past and current employees and the resources the Authority has set aside to meet them. The statutory arrangements will ensure that funding will have been set aside by the time the benefits come to be paid.

	2017/18	2016/17
	£'000	£'000
Balance at 1 April	(34,709)	(27,658)
Remeasurement of the net defined benefit liability/(asset)	5,051	(6,627)
Reversal of items relating to retirement benefits debited or credited to the Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services	(2,839)	(2,323)
Employers pension contributions and direct payments to pensioners payable in the year <sup>1</sup>	1,948	1,899
Balance at 31 March	(30,549)	(34,709)

<sup>1</sup>Employers pension contributions and direct payments to pensioners of £3,695,000 were paid in 2017/18. This includes deficit recovery contributions of £2,646,400 paid in respect of the 3 year period 2017/18 to 2019/20. Of this amount £1,747,100 relates to financial years 2018/19 and 2019/20.

### 17.5 Collection Fund Adjustment Account

The Collection Fund Adjustment Account manages the differences arising from the recognition of council tax income and non-domestic rates income in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement as it falls due from council tax payers and business rate payers compared with the statutory arrangements for paying across amounts to the General Fund from the Collection Fund.

	2017/18 £'000	2016/17 £'000
Balance at 1 April	(555)	(418)
Amount by which council tax and non-domestic rates income credited to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement is different from council tax and non-domestic rates income calculated for the year in accordance with statutory requirements	220	(137)
Balance at 31 March	(335)	(555)

## 17.6 Financial Instruments Adjustment Account

The Financial Instruments Adjustment Account absorbs the timing differences arising from the different arrangements for accounting for income and expenses relating to certain financial instruments and for bearing losses or benefitting from gains in accordance with statutory provisions. The Authority uses the Account to manage premiums and discounts paid or received on the early redemption of loans. Premiums and discounts charged or credited to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement when incurred, are reversed out of the General Fund Balance to the Financial Instruments Adjustment Account in the Movement in Reserves Statement. Over time, the expense/income is posted back to the General Fund Balance in accordance with statutory arrangements for spreading the burden on council tax.

### 17.7 Accumulated Absences Account

The Accumulated Absences Account absorbs the differences that would otherwise arise on the General Fund Balance from accruing for compensated absences earned but not taken in the year, e.g. annual leave entitlement carried forward at 31 March. Statutory arrangements require the impact on the General Fund Balance is neutralised by transfers to or from the Account.

### 17.8 Available for Sale Financial Instruments Reserve

The Available for Sale Financial Instruments Reserve contains the gains made by the Authority arising from increases in the value of its investments that have quoted market prices or otherwise do not have fixed or determinable payments. The balance is reduced when investments with accumulated gains are:

- revalued downwards or impaired and the gains are lost
- disposed of and the gains are realised.

# 18. Property, Plant and Equipment

2017/18	Other Land & Buildings	Equipment & Vehicles	Infra- structure	Community Assets	Assets under Const.	Total
Cost or Valuation	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
At 1 April 2017	41,262	1,271	16,916	1,975	410	61,834
At 1 April 2017	,		•	·		•
Additions	701	262	14	0	105	1,082
Revaluation increases/(decreases) recognised in the Revaluation Reserve	3,670	0	0	0	0	3,670
Revaluation increases/(decreases) recognised in the Surplus/Deficit on the Provision of Services	460	0	0	0	0	460
Derecognition - disposals	(184)	(27)	0	0	0	(211)
Transfers	88	(185)	0	0	(376)	(473)
At 31 March 2018	45,997	1,321	16,930	1,975	139	66,362
Accumulated Depreciation and Impairment						
At 1 April 2017	(1,667)	(772)	(7,358)	0	0	(9,797)
Depreciation Charge	(1,061)	(65)	(588)	0	0	(1,714)
Depreciation written out to the Revaluation Reserve	1,558	0	0	0	0	1,558
Derecognition - disposals	27	0	0	0	0	27
Transfers	11	0	0	0	0	11
At 31 March 2018	(1,132)	(837)	(7,946)	0	0	(9,915)
Net Book Value at 31 March 2018	44,865	484	8,984	1,975	139	56,447
Net Book Value at 31 March 2017	39,595	499	9,558	1,975	410	52,037
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Nature of asset holding						
Owned (Freehold)	44,865	484	8,984	1,975	139	56,447
Finance Lease	0	0	0	0	0	0
	44,865	484	8,984	1,975	139	56,447

2016/17	Other Land & Buildings	Equipment & Vehicles	Infra- structure	Community Assets	Assets under Const.	Total
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Cost or Valuation						
At 1 April 2016	35,042	859	16,788	2,015	9,694	64,398
Additions	0	412	128	0	1,765	2,305
Revaluation increases/(decreases) recognised in the Revaluation Reserve	61	0	0	0	0	61
Revaluation increases/(decreases) recognised in the Surplus/Deficit on the	(20)		•			(00)
Provision of Services	(33)	0 (404)	0	0 (40)	0	(33)
Derecognition - disposals	(4,433)	(424)	0	(40)	0 (44.040)	(4,897)
Transfers	10,625	424	0	0	(11,049)	0
At 31 March 2017	41,262	1,271	16,916	1,975	410	61,834
Accumulated Depreciation and Impairment						
At 1 April 2016	(1,300)	(754)	(6,769)	0	0	(8,823)
Depreciation Charge	(1,904)	(18)	(589)	0	0	(2,511)
Depreciation written out to the Revaluation Reserve	610	0	0	0	0	610
Derecognition - disposals	927	0	0	0	0	927
At 31 March 2017	(1,667)	(772)	(7,358)	0	0	(9,797)
Net Book Value at 31 March 2017	39,595	499	9,558	1,975	410	52,037
Net Book Value at 31 March 2016	33,742	105	10,019	2,015	9,694	55,575
Nature of asset holding						
Owned (Freehold)	39,595	499	9,558	1,975	410	52,037
Finance Lease	0	0	0	0	0	0
	39,595	499	9,558	1,975	410	52,037

### 18.1 Revaluations

The Authority carries out a rolling programme of revaluations to ensure that Property, Plant and Equipment assets required to be measured at current value are:

- · revalued at intervals of not more than five years
- reported in the balance sheet at a carrying amount that does not differ materially from that which would be determined using the assets current value at the balance sheet date.

Valuations of land and buildings are carried out in accordance with the methodologies and bases for estimation set out in the professional standards of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors.

Valuations summarised in the following tables were undertaken in-house or by external valuers NPS North West Limited and Walton Goodland, in accordance with guidance provided by the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy and the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors Valuation – Professional Standards (the 'Red Book').

Vehicles, plant, furniture and equipment that have short useful lives or low values (or both) are measured at depreciated historical cost as a proxy for fair value.

At 31 March 2018	Other Land & Buildings £'000	Equipment & Vehicles £'000	Infra- structure Assets £'000	Community Assets £'000	Assets Under Const. £'000	Total £'000
Carried at historical cost	0	1,321	16,930	1,975	139	20,365
Valued at current value at:						
31 March 2018	36,405	-	-	-	-	36,405
31 March 2017	3,156	-	-	-	-	3,156
31 March 2016	0	-	-	-	-	0
31 March 2015	536	-	-	-	-	536
31 March 2014	5,900	-	-	-	-	5,900
Total Cost or Valuation	45,997	1,321	16,930	1,975	139	66,362

At 31 March 2017	Other Land & Buildings £'000	Equipment & Vehicles £'000	Infra- structure Assets £'000	Community Assets £'000	Assets Under Const. £'000	Total £'000
Carried at historical cost	0	1,271	16,916	1,975	410	20,572
Valued at current value at:						
31 March 2017	14,282	-	-	-	-	14,282
31 March 2016	6,818	-	-	-	-	6,818
31 March 2015	14,072	-	-	-	-	14,072
31 March 2014	6,090	-	-	-	-	6,090
31 March 2013	0	-	-	-	-	0
Total Cost or Valuation	41,262	1,271	16,916	1,975	410	61,834

### 18.2 Non-current assets revalued as at 31 March 2018:

The following categories of non-current assets were revalued as at 31 March 2018:

- Investment Properties, which were revalued at 'Fair Value Market Value' (see note 20)
- Property Plant and Equipment:
  - Pay and display car parks
  - Sport and leisure centres.

Revaluations were carried out by Walton Goodland, Chartered Surveyors, in accordance with guidance provided by the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy and the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors Valuation - Professional Standards (the 'Red Book').

# 19. Heritage Assets

Reconciliation of the carrying value of Heritage Assets Held by the Authority:

	At cost	At Va	luation	Tangible	Intangible	
2017/18	Historical Sites & Monuments	Museum Collections	Civic Regalia	Heritage Assets	Heritage Assets	Total
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Cost or Valuation						
At 1 April 2017	590	163	80	833	31	864
Additions – purchased	0	0	0	0	0	0
Additions – donated	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revaluation increases/ (decreases) recognised in the Revaluation Reserve	0	0	0	0	0	0
At 31 March 2018	590	163	80	833	31	864
Accumulated depreciation & impairment						
At 1 April 2017	(50)	0	0	(50)	(31)	(81)
Depreciation charge	(7)	0	0	(7)	0	(7)
At 31 March 2018	(57)	0	0	(57)	(31)	(88)
Net book value at 31 March 2018	533	163	80	776	0	776
Nature of asset holding						
Owned (Freehold)	533	163	80	776	0	776
	533	163	80	776	0	776

	At cost	At Valu	ation	Tangible	Intangible	
2016/17	Historical Sites & Monuments £'000	Museum Collections £'000	Civic Regalia £'000	Heritage Assets £'000	Heritage Assets £'000	Total £'000
Cost or Valuation						
At 1 April 2016	571	144	80	795	31	826
Additions – purchased	19	0	0	19	0	19
Additions – donated	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revaluation increases/ (decreases) recognised in the Revaluation Reserve	0	19	0	19	0	19
At 31 March 2017	590	163	80	833	31	864
Accumulated depreciation & impairment						
At 1 April 2016	(43)	0	0	(43)	(31)	(74)
Depreciation charge	(7)	0	0	(7)	0	(7)
At 31 March 2017	(50)	0	0	(50)	(31)	(81)
Net book value at 31 March 2017	540	163	80	783	0	783
Nature of asset holding						
Owned (Freehold)	540	163	80	783	0	783
	540	163	80	783	0	783

### 19.1 Description of the Council's Collection of Heritage Assets

The Authority's tangible heritage assets consist of a number of historical sites, monuments, statues, nature reserves, civic regalia and collection held at the Maryport Maritime Museum. Heritage assets reported in the group accounts also include the collections held at the Keswick Museum and Art Gallery and Helena Thompson Museum. A register of assets held within the individual collections is maintained by each museum. All heritage assets are held in support of increasing knowledge, understanding and appreciation of the historical, artistic, scientific, technological, geophysical and environmental qualities of the Borough of Allerdale and are accounted for as follows:

### (i) Historical Sites, Monuments and Statues

The Authority owns a number of historical sites, monuments and statues, all of which contribute to the history of the Borough. These historical sites are now, in the main, buried or ruins and consist of the Roman Cumbrian Coast defence (Milefortlet 21 Swarthy Hill), the famous Salt Pans of West Cumbria, Workington Hall in the grounds of Curwen Park, the iron lighthouse at Maryport and the Workington Pit heads. The majority of the monuments and statues held by the Authority are 'in honour' of significant local historical figures as well as memorials for those lost at war.

In the opinion of the Authority's Valuation Officer, conventional valuation methods are not appropriate for valuing these assets. Such assets do not have a market for sale, providing market based evidence of fair value. These assets are also not capable of producing a cash flow or income but rather are liabilities requiring maintenance. In accordance with the Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting in the absence of information relating to historic cost or value these assets have not been recognised in the balance sheet.

As part of the Workington Town Centre Development in 2006, several monuments and statues were acquired including the Curwen Column and the Lookout Clock. These assets are reported in the balance sheet at cost less depreciation.

### (ii) Museum Collections

The collection held at the Maryport Maritime Museum includes fine and decorative art, furnishings and other historical artefacts.

The collection is reported in the Balance Sheet at an insurance valuation based on open market replacement cost for items of a comparable nature, age and condition. The latest full valuation was undertaken in March 2017 by external valuers - Mitchells Antiques & Fine Art Auctioneers and Valuers. Values were assigned to all individual items within the collection with an expected replacement cost in excess of £1,000 that were on display, or accessible in store, at the time of the re-valuation. Items with an expected replacement cost of less than £1,000 were reappraised by reference to previous inventories and valuations, accession books, MODES records and information provided by museum staff. These items are categorised by the valuer as 'Unspecified Accessions'. Valuations are reviewed and updated annually to ensure that they remain current.

The collection held at the Maryport Maritime Museum is summarised below:

Description	31/3/18 £000	31/3/17 £000
Fine Art/Decorative Art	71	71
Furnishings and Other Miscellaneous Artefacts	18	18
Unspecified Accessions	74	74
Total	163	163

Details of the collections at the Keswick Museum and Art Gallery and Helena Thompson are disclosed in the notes accompanying the group accounts.

### (iii) Civic Regalia

Civic regalia, comprising of the mayoral chains and ceremonial mace is included in the balance sheet at a valuation based on the indicative replacement cost for each item.

### (iv) Nature Reserves

The Authority owns five pockets of land classified as nature reserves. Two of these have been categorised as heritage assets, reflecting their recognition as areas of special scientific interest given the unique and rare wildlife they support.

In the opinion of the Authority's Valuation Officer, conventional valuation methods are not appropriate for valuing these assets. In accordance with the Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting, in the absence of information relating to historic cost or value, these assets have not been recognised in the balance sheet.

### 19.2 Acquisition, Preservation, Management and Disposal

The Authority has a responsive repair and maintenance programme in relation to its historical sites, monuments, statues and nature reserves.

Acquisitions are made only as part of an agreed capital project, or as part of a museum exhibition where this supported the cultural, environmental or historical associations of the Borough.

To date, no disposals have taken place and it is unlikely this would happen due to the nature of the Authority's heritage assets and purpose for which they are held. Should a proposal to dispose of a heritage asset arise, (excluding museum artefacts for which the policy is detailed below), this would require the authorisation of Council Members.

The Authority's museums are currently managed by independent groups established as companies limited by guarantee. The museums' collections are managed by collection care officers and curators as appointed by the group running the museum. Assets in the collections are only disposed of where, in the opinion of the appointed officer with delegated responsibility, an item does not contribute to the interest and diversity of the Museum's collection. All acquisitions and disposals must comply with the Authority's Acquisition and Disposal Policy. The Museum groups maintain databases for the collections of heritage assets which records the nature, provenance and current location of each asset.

# 20 Investment Property

Investment property comprises land and buildings held solely to earn rentals and/or for capital appreciation. The following table summarises the movement in the carrying value (fair value) of investment properties over the year.

	2017/18	2016/17
	£'000	£'000
At 1 April	22,222	21,369
Additions - acquisitions	107	26
Additions - subsequent expenditure	0	47
Disposals	0	(165)
Transfers from/(to) Property, Plant and Equipment	462	0
Net gains/(losses) from fair value adjustments	666	945
At 31 March	23,457	22,222

Nature of asset holding		
Owned (Freehold)	22,880	21,647
Finance Lease	577	575
At 31 March	23,457	22,222

### **Valuation process for Investment Properties**

The fair value of the Authority's investment property is measured annually at each reporting date by external property valuation experts. Valuations are undertaken in accordance with guidance provided by the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy and the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS) Valuation – Professional Standards (the 'Red Book') using an Income (income capitalisation) Approach or Market Approach.

#### Fair value measurement of Investment property - fair value hierarchy

The following tables show the levels within the hierarchy of investment property measured at fair value on a recurring basis.

31 March 2018	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Fair value at 31/03/18
31 March 2016	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Retail Lettings	-	-	8,482	8,482
Commercial Lettings			9,282	9,282
Managed Industrial Estates	-	-	2,598	2,598
Vacant Land & Industrial Sites	-	-	3,095	3,095
At 31 March 2018	-	-	23,457	23,457

31 March 2017	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Fair value at 31/03/17
31 March 2017	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Retail Lettings	-	-	8,010	8,010
Commercial Lettings			8,923	8,923
Managed Industrial Estates	-	-	2,471	2,471
Vacant Land & Industrial Sites	-	-	2,818	2,818
At 31 March 2017	-	-	22,222	22,222

#### Transfers between Levels of the fair value hierarchy

There were no transfers between Levels 1 and 2 during the year.

# Valuation techniques used to determine Level 2 and 3 fair values for investment properties

#### Income approach

Fair values estimated using the income approach involve use of a discounted cash flow (income capitalisation) methodology to convert future cash flows from the property (for example future rental income) to a single current capital value using an appropriate market derived discount rate (capitalisation yield). Capitalisation yields and future rental values are based on comparable property and leasing transactions in the market using the valuers professional judgement and market observation.

#### Market approach

Where the market approach is used, properties are valued by reference to market-based evidence using observed prices for recent market transactions for comparable properties. Where appropriate, adjustments are made to market price information to reflect differences in the legal, economic or physical characteristics of the property being valued. These include significant unobservable adjustments to reflect differences in the nature, condition and location of the property, tenure and encumbrances.

Where an income approach, or market approach with significant unobservable adjustment has been used, valuations are predominately based on unobservable inputs and accordingly are categorised as level 3 within the fair value hierarchy. Where a market approach does not include significant unobservable adjustments, these assets are categorised as level 2.

## **Highest and Best Use of Investment Properties**

In estimating the fair value of the authority's investment properties, the highest and best use of the properties is their current use.

### **Valuation Techniques**

There has been no change in the valuation techniques used during the year for investment properties.

# Reconciliation of Fair Value Measurements categorised within Level 3 of the Fair Value Hierarchy

The following table provides a reconciliation of the opening balances to the closing carrying amounts of non-financial assets classified within Level 3.

	Retail Lettings	Residential & Commercial Lettings	Managed Industrial Estates	Vacant Land & Industrial Sites	Total
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Carrying amount at 1 April 2017	8,010	8,923	2,471	2,818	22,222
Changes in fair values of investment properties recognised in the Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services <sup>1</sup>	472	201	127	(134)	666
Additions	0	107	0	0	107
Disposals	0	0	0	0	0
Transfers from PPE	0	52	0	410	462
Carrying amount at 31 March 2018	8,482	9,283	2,598	3,094	23,457
Amount included in the Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services for unrealised gains on Level 3 assets held at 31 March 2018	472	201	127	(134)	666

	Retail Lettings	Residential & Commercial Lettings	Managed Industrial Estates	Vacant Land & Industrial Sites	Total
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Carrying amount at 1 April 2016	7,811	8,180	2,354	3,024	21.369
Changes in fair values of investment properties recognised in the Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services <sup>1</sup>	199	696	282	(232)	945
Additions	0	47	0	26	73
Disposals	0	0	(165)	0	(165)
Carrying amount at 31 March 2017	8,010	8,923	2,471	2,818	22,222
Amount included in the Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services for unrealised gains on Level 3 assets held at 31 March 2017	199	696	282	(150)	945

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Gains or losses arising from changes in the fair value of the investment property are recognised in Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services – Financing and Investment Income and Expenditure.

# Quantitative Information about Fair Value Measurement of Investment Properties using Significant Unobservable Inputs – Level 3

Details of the valuation techniques and significant unobservable inputs used in determining the fair value measurement of investment property classified within Level 3 are set out in the following table together with a narrative description of the sensitivity of the fair value measurement to changes in unobservable inputs.

	Fair value at 31/03/18 £000	Valuation technique	Significant unobservable inputs	Range
Retail Lettings	8,482	Income	Estimated yield	5% - 15%
			Rental value (rent passing) p.a.	£4,500 - £538,700
Residential &	309	Market	Estimated plot value/value per acre	£10,000- £149,000
Commercial Lettings	8,974	Income	Estimated yield	5% - 15%
			Rental value (rent passing/market rent) p.a.	£1,000 - £575,100
	9,283			
Managed Industrial Estates	2,431	Income	Estimated yield Rental value (rent passing) p.a.	8% - 15% £5,800 - £111,700
	167	Market	Estimated value per acre	£5,000 - £50,000
	2,598			
Vacant Land & Industrial Sites	3,094	Market	Estimated value per acre/plot value	£2,200 - £281,250

	Fair value at 31/03/17 £000	Valuation technique	Significant unobservable inputs	Range
Retail Lettings	8,010	Income	Estimated yield	6% - 15%
			Rental value (rent passing) p.a.	£4,500 - £580,000
Residential &	340	Market	Estimated plot value/value per acre	£10,000- £80,000
Commercial Lettings	8,583	Income	Estimated yield	5.25% - 12%
			Rental value (rent passing/market rent) p.a.	£1,000 - £520,000
	8,923			
Managed Industrial	2,304	Income	Estimated yield	8.6% - 11%
Estates			Rental value (rent passing) p.a.	£5,800 - £113,800
	167	Market	Estimated value per acre	£5,000 - £50,000
	2,471			
Vacant Land & Industrial Sites	2,818	Market	Estimated value per acre/plot value	£2,200 - £325,000

Significant changes in rental income and rent growth; vacancy levels or discount rate would result in a significantly lower or higher fair value. All other factors being equal, a higher equivalent yield or discount rate would lead to a decrease in the valuation of an asset while an increase in the current or estimated future rental stream would have the effect of increasing the capital value and vice versa.

#### Rental income and operating expenses from Investment Property

The rental income and operating expenses from Investment Property are summarised in the table below:

		2017/18	2016/17			
	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000	Net Inc. £'000	Expenditure £'000	Income £'000	Net Inc. £'000
Industrial Units Other Investment	3	(220)	(217)	4	(225)	(221)
Properties	22	(1,492)	(1,470)	26	(1,293)	(1,267)
	25	(1,712)	(1,687)	30	(1,518)	(1,488)

## 21. Capital Expenditure and Financing

The total amount of capital expenditure incurred in the year is shown in the table below, together with the resources that have been used to finance it. Capital expenditure not financed through the application of capital grants, contributions, capital receipts or a direct charge to revenue will increase the Authority's Capital Financing Requirement (CFR), reflecting the extent to which expenditure has yet to be financed and the underlying need to borrow for capital purposes. The movement in the CFR is analysed in the second part of this note. The CFR is reduced by the Minimum Revenue provision (MRP). This is an annual amount required to be set aside from the General Fund to meet the capital cost of expenditure not financed from grants, revenue contributions or capital receipts.

	2017/18	2016/17
	£'000	£'000
Opening Capital Financing Requirement	18,674	17,449
Capital investment:		
Property Plant and Equipment	1,082	2,305
Investment Property	107	73
Heritage Assets – purchased and donated	0	19
Revenue Expenditure Funded from Capital under Statute	1,601	1,348
Financing:		
Capital receipts	(3)	(312)
Government grants, contributions and donations	(1,668)	(1,367)
Sums set aside from revenue	(253)	(430)
Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP)	(623)	(411)
Closing Capital Financing Requirement	18,917	18,674
Explanation of movements in year		
Increase/(decrease) in underlying need to borrow (supported by government financial assistance)	(387)	(402)
Increase/(decrease) in underlying need to borrow (unsupported by government financial assistance)	630	1,627
Increase/(decrease) in Capital Financing Requirement	243	1,225

## 22. Commitments under Capital Contracts

At 31 March 2018, there were no outstanding commitments under capital contracts for the construction or enhancement of Property, Plant and Equipment in 2018/19 and future years (31 March 2017: £52,145). At 31 March 2018 and 31 March 2017 the Authority had no contractual obligations to purchase, construct or develop investment property or for the repair, maintenance or enhancement of investment property.

#### 23. Investments

	31/03/18	31/03/17
	£'000	£'000
Long-term		
Allerdale Investment Partnership LLP 12% secured investor loan notes 2034	1,635	2,297
Unquoted equity investments	11	11
	1,646	2,308
Short-term (loans & receivables)		
Term deposits and notice accounts	0	0
	1,646	2,308

## 24. Debtors and Payments in Advance

	31/03/18	31/03/17
	£'000	£'000
Central Government bodies	1,149	1,497
Other Local Authorities	823	1,466
Bodies external to general government	4,233	3,936
	6,205	6,899
Allowance for bad and doubtful debts		
- Sundry	(127)	(241)
- Council Tax	(187)	(212)
- NNDR	(156)	(147)
- Benefits	(1,009)	(1,001)
	(1,479)	(1,601)
Short-Term Debtors	4,726	5,298
Payments in Advance	1,093	1,513
	5,819	6,811

## 25. Cash and Cash Equivalents

	31/03/18 £'000	31/03/17 £'000
Cash imprest balances	2	1
Bank current accounts	0	0
Call accounts (same day access funds)	1,301	2,059
Money Market Funds	5,518	5,657
Other bank deposits	318	360
Cash and Cash Equivalents (balance sheet)	7,139	8,077
Bank Overdraft	(1,805)	(1,860)
Cash and Cash Equivalents (cash flow statement)	5,334	6,217

## 26. External Borrowing

	31/03/18 £'000	31/03/17 £'000
Short-term Borrowing		
Public Works Loan Board (inc. accrued interest)	(508)	(424)
Local Bonds	(31)	(31)
Trust Funds	(54)	(54)
	(593)	(509)
Long-term Borrowing		
Public Works Loan Board	(15,067)	(13,380)
	(15,660)	(13,889)

## Analysis of loans by maturity:

Amounts repayable	31/03/18 £'000	31/03/17 £'000
Within 1 year	(593)	(509)
Between 1 & 2 years	(320)	(233)
Between 2 & 5 years	(1,005)	(742)
Between 5 & 10 years	(1,876)	(1,419)
After more than 10 years	(11,866)	(10,986)
	(15,660)	(13,889)

## 27. Creditors

	31/03/18	31/03/17
	£'000	£'000
Central Government bodies	(1,975)	(1,676)
Other Local Authorities	(544)	(1,291)
Other entities and individuals	(1,047)	(1,167)
HMRC	(160)	(146)
Unpaid Holiday Pay	(96)	(86)
	(3,822)	(4,366)

## 28. Receipts in Advance

	31/03/18 £'000	31/03/17 £'000
Receipts In Advance		
General	(530)	(353)
Other Local Authorities	(35)	(7)
Central Government Departments	(112)	(838)
NNDR	(424)	(225)
Council Tax	(108)	(124)
	(1,209)	(1,547)

#### 28.1 Grants and Contributions received in advance

The Authority has received a number of grants and contributions that have yet to be recognised as income as they have conditions attached to them that will require the monies to be returned to the transferor. The balances at the year-end are as follows:

	31/03/18 £'000	31/03/17 £'000
Developers' contributions under section 106 Town and Country Planning Act 1990	(319)	(327)
Capital Grants MHCLG - Solway Coastal Pathway	(200)	0
Revenue Grants:		
Allerdale Social Investment Fund (Sellafield Ltd./BEC)	(76)	(380)
Heritage Lottery Fund – Solway Wetlands	0	(311)
Other grants received in advance	(71)	(154)
	(147)	(845)
Total included in creditors and receipts in advance	(666)	(1,172)

#### 29. Provisions

	Insurance	Early Departures	Business Rates	Legal Claims	Leasehold Restoration	Total
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Balance at 1 April 2017	(128)	(52)	(466)	0	(169)	(815)
Additional provisions made in 2017/18	0	0	(434)	(478)	(49)	(961)
Provision utilised in year	17	52	216	0	164	449
Unused amounts reversed in year	0	0	0	0	0	0
At 31 March 2018	(111)	0	(684)	(478)	(54)	1,327
Disclosed as:			. ,		, ,	·
At 31 March 2018						
Current component	(30)	0	(684)	(248)	(54)	(1,016)
Long-term component	(81)	0	0	(230)	0	(311)
	(111)	0	(684)	(478)	(54)	(1,327)
At 31 March 2017						
Current component	(73)	(52)	(466)	0	(169)	(760)
Long-term component	(55)	0	0	0	0	(55)
	(128)	(52)	(466)	0	(169)	(815)

#### (a) Insurance

The insurance provision includes amounts set aside to meet:

- uninsured liabilities such as the £5,000 excess on the Authority's Public Liability and Employer's Liability insurance in respect of notified claims
- the estimated liability in respect of claims incurred but not reported.

#### (b) Early departures

The Early Departure provision comprises the costs of termination benefits arising from compulsory redundancies and other departures agreed at 31 March but not yet paid.

Details of the number of exit packages agreed during the year (grouped in rising bands of £20,000 up to £100,000 and bands of £50,000 thereafter) and analysed between compulsory redundancies and other departures, together with the total cost of packages in each band is set out in Note 14.

#### (b) Business rates

Following introduction of the business rates retention scheme on 1 April 2013 the Authority assumed a share of the liability for refunding business ratepayers who successfully appeal against the rateable value of their properties on the rating list.

The provision of £684,267 represents the Authority's share (40%) of the total provision of £1,710,666 at 31 March 2018 in respect of the potential refund of business rates income for years up to and including 2017/18. The total provision at 31 March 2018 includes £1,029,348 in respect of possible obligations that may arise from successful appeals made after the balance sheet date against the 2017 valuation list.

The total cost of appeals settled during 2017/18 was £540,541. The Authority's share of this cost was £216,216 (40%). This was charged against the provision brought forward at 1 April 2017.

### (c) Legal claims

The legal claims provision at 31 March 2018 relates to amounts set aside to meet:

- liabilities arising from settlement of compensation claims made by the main contractor in connection with construction of the Workington Leisure Centre
- costs arising from a negotiated settlement made in June 2017 in relation to early termination of a management agreement for the provision of car parking within part of Workington town centre.

#### (d) Leasehold Restoration

The leasehold restoration provision comprises amounts set aside to meet the Authority's obligations, in relation to properties held under operating leases, to make good dilapidations or other damage which occurs to a property during the course of the lease or restore a property to a specified condition.

#### 30. Pensions

## 30.1 Participation in Pension Schemes

As part of the terms and conditions of employment of its officers, the Authority makes contributions towards the cost of post-employment benefits. Although these benefits are not payable until employees retire, the Authority has a commitment to make payments (for those benefits) that needs to be recognised and disclosed at the time employees earn their future entitlement.

The Authority participates in the Cumbria Local Government Pension Scheme (the Scheme), administered by Cumbria County Council (the Administration Authority). The Scheme is part of the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) which is a funded defined benefit pension arrangement for local authorities and related employers.

The LGPS is a statutory scheme operated under a regulatory framework established under the Superannuation Act 1972. This framework sets out the administrative arrangements and processes for the Scheme, specifies the nature and amounts of benefits payable and establishes the basis for calculating contributions payable to the fund by the Authority and its employees.

The Cumbria Local Government Pension Scheme is a multi-employer arrangement, under which each employer is responsible for the pension costs, liabilities and funding risks relating to its own employees and former employees.

The Scheme provides defined benefits to members (retirement lump sums and pensions) determined by reference to a formula based on employees earnings and years of service. The amount of pension depends on how long employees are active members of the scheme and their salary when they leave the scheme (a "final salary" scheme) for service up to 31 March 2014 and revalued average salary (a "career average" scheme) for service from 1 April 2014 onwards.

#### Governance

Governance of the scheme is the responsibility of Cumbria County Council's Pensions Committee. The functions and responsibilities of the Committee include:

- exercising the Council's functions as the delegated decision making body of the Administering Authority for the management of the Cumbria LGPS
- reviewing and approving amendments to the statutory policy documents (i.e. Funding Strategy Statement, Governance Policy Statement, Admissions and Terminations Policy, Administration and Communications Policy, Discretions Policy, Cash Investment Policy, and Investment Strategy Statement (previously the Statement of Investment Principles))
- approving the formal triennial actuarial valuation
- submitting the Pension Fund Accounts to the Council
- submitting reports to the Council updating it on the governance, risk monitoring and performance of the Scheme
- receiving and where necessary instructing corrective action, in response to internal and external auditor reports
- reviewing and approving the Scheme's Training Policy
- approving the Annual Business Plan and associated Budget and reviewing performance against this throughout the year.

Advice is provided to the Pension Committee by Cumbria County Council's Section 151 Officer, the County Council's finance team and by two independent advisers. The current advisers are appointed for their knowledge of investments and of pension funds; one adviser being primarily an investment specialist, the other complementing these investment skills with actuarial knowledge of the liability profile of the Scheme. Services are also provided by the scheme actuary (Mercers), and by other consultants and lawyers for investment management services.

The Cumbria Pensions Investment Sub Group advises the Section 151 Officer in the exercise of their delegated powers to appoint and terminate the appointment of non-SIP investment managers.

The Investment Sub Group consider, and continually review the investment management structure for the Pension Fund and are responsible for advising the Section 151 Officer on the appointment and termination of non-SIP investment managers and the establishment and review of performance benchmarks and targets for investment. The group will also consider the detail of any regulatory changes to investment limits or national policy changes that are made in this area, reporting to the Pensions Committee on their findings and recommendations.

The Pensions Committee is assisted in all aspects of its functions relating to governance and administration of the scheme by the Cumbria Pensions Board ('the Board'). Constituted under the Public Service Pension Act 2013 and the Local Government Pension Scheme (Amendment) (Governance) Regulations 2014, the Board is responsible for assisting the Administering Authority to:

- secure compliance with relevant regulations and legislation and the requirements of the Pensions Regulator in relation to governance and administration of the Cumbria LGPS
- ensure the effective and efficient governance and administration of the scheme.

The Board has no remit as a decision making body.

The policy framework and all aspects of management of the Scheme are set out in the various Scheme Policy Statements. These include:

- The Governance Policy Statement, which sets out the roles and responsibilities, describes risk management and reports compliance against a set of best practice principles
- The Administration Strategy & Communications Policy, which details the formal arrangements for pensions and benefits administration for the Scheme, and the communications with members, employers and pensioners
- Investment Strategy Statement (Statement of Investment Principles), detailing how the Schemes assets are invested, the fund managers and benchmarks, and the Scheme's compliance with best practice in investment decision-making (Myners Principles) and the Financial Reporting Council's UK Stewardship Code
- Cash Investment Policy, governing the management of the Schemes cash, bank account and investment of surplus cash
- Funding Strategy Statement, which identifies how the Schemes pension liabilities will be funded in the longer term and addresses solvency issues.
- Admissions and Termination Policy, detailing the policy on employer admissions and the methodology used to calculate termination payments on cessation of participation in the Scheme
- Discretions Policy, setting out the policy regarding the exercise of certain discretions to assist in the management of the Scheme
- Training Policy, setting out the policy on the training and development of members of all committees and officers responsible for management of the Scheme.

Further details relating to governance of the Scheme (including risk management) can be found in the Scheme's Governance Policy Statement. This is included in the Cumbria LGPS Fund Policy Document, published on-line at:

http://www.cumbria.gov.uk/Finance/finance/cumbrialgps.asp

## 30.2 Transactions Relating to Retirement Benefits

The following transactions have been included in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement and the General Fund Balance via the Movement in Reserves Statement during the year:

	Local Government Pension Scheme			
	Funded L	iabilities	Unfunded	l Liabilities
	2017/18	2016/17	2017/18	2016/17
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement				
Service cost comprising:				
<ul> <li>current service cost</li> </ul>	1,925	1,265	0	0
<ul><li>past service costs (gains)</li></ul>	0	0	0	0
<ul> <li>(gain)/loss from curtailments</li> <li>Financing and Investment Income &amp; Expenditure</li> </ul>	125	124	0	0
<ul> <li>net interest expense</li> </ul>	739	862	50	72
Total Post-employment benefits charged to the surplus or deficit on the provision of services	2,789	2,251	50	72
Other post-employment benefits charged to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement				
Remeasurement of the net defined benefit obligation comprising:				
<ul> <li>return on plan assets (excluding amount included in the net interest expense) &amp; other (gains)/losses</li> </ul>	(1,059)	(13,172)	0	0
<ul><li>experience (gains)/loss on liabilities</li></ul>	0	208	0	(242)
<ul> <li>actuarial (gains) and losses arising on changes in financial assumptions</li> </ul>	(3,947)	20,289	(45)	325
<ul> <li>actuarial (gains) and losses arising on changes in demographic assumptions</li> </ul>	0	(771)	0	(10)
Total post-employment benefits charged to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement	(2,217)	8,805	5	145

	Local Government Pension Scheme				
	Funded I	iabilities	Unfunded	ed Liabilities	
	2017/18			2016/17	
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	
Movement in Reserves Statement					
Reversal of net charges made to the Surplus or Deficit for the Provision of Services for post-employment benefits in accordance with the Code	(2,789)	(2,251)	(50)	(72)	
Actual amount charged against the General Fund Balance for pensions in the year:					
<ul> <li>employers' contributions payable to scheme and retirement benefits payable to pensioners</li> </ul>	1,796	1,743	152	156	

## 30.3 Pension Assets and Liabilities Recognised in the Balance Sheet

The amount included in the balance sheet in respect of the Local Government Pension scheme is as follows:

	Local Government Pension Scheme				
	Funded Liabilities Unfunded Liabilit				
	31/03/18 £'000	31/03/17 £'000	31/03/18 £'000	31/03/17 £'000	
Present value of the defined benefit obligation	(105,107)	(107,367)	(1,982)	(2,129)	
Fair value of plan assets	78,287	74,787	0	0	
Net liability arising from the defined benefit obligation	(26,820)	(32,580)	(1,982)	(2,129)	

## 30.4 Reconciliation of the Movements in the Fair Value of the Scheme Assets

	Funded Liabilities		Unfunded	Liabilities
	2017/18	2016/17	2017/18	2016/17
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Opening fair value of scheme assets	74,787	60,682	0	0
Interest income	1,910	2,104	0	0
Remeasurement gain/(loss):				
<ul> <li>return on plan assets (excluding the amount</li> </ul>				
included in the net interest expense) & other gains/(losses)	1,059	13,172	0	0
Employer contributions	3,543	1,743	152	156
Contributions by scheme participants	362	354	0	0
Benefits/transfers paid	(3,341)	(3,236)	(152)	(156)
Administration expenses	(33)	(32)	0	0
Closing balance of scheme assets at 31 March	78,287	74,787	0	0

# 30.5 Reconciliation of the Present Value of the Scheme Liabilities (Defined Benefit Obligation)

	Local Government Pension Scheme					
	Funded L	iabilities	Unfunded	Liabilities		
	2017/18 £'000	2016/17 £'000	2017/18 £'000	2016/17 £'000		
Opening balance at 1 April	(107,367)	(86,200)	(2,129)	(2,140)		
Current Service Cost	(1,892)	(1,233)	0	0		
Interest Cost	(2,649)	(2,966)	(50)	(72)		
Contributions by scheme participants	(362)	(354)	0	0		
Remeasurement gains and losses:						
<ul><li>experience gains/(losses)</li></ul>	0	(208)	0	242		
<ul> <li>actuarial gains and (losses) arising on changes in financial assumptions</li> </ul>	3,947	(20,289)	45	(325)		
<ul> <li>actuarial gains and( losses) arising on changes in demographic assumptions</li> </ul>	0	771	0	10		
Past Service Costs	0	0	0	0		
(Gains)/losses on Curtailments	(125)	(124)	0	0		
Benefits Paid	3,341	3,236	152	156		
Closing balance at 31 March	(105,107)	(107,367)	(1,982)	(2,129)		

#### 30.6 Composition of Local Government pension scheme assets

	Fair value of s	cheme assets
Asset Class	31/03/18	31/03/17
	£000	£000
Cash & cash equivalents		
Quoted cash accounts	4,149	2,318
Net current assets	0	75
Sub-total cash & cash equivalents	4,149	2,393
Equities		
UK quoted	9,944	9,649
Global quoted	16,753	15,032
Unquoted UK equity pooled	861	748
Unquoted overseas equity pooled	11,352	12,564
Sub-total: Equities	38,910	37,993
Bonds:		
Quoted UK corporate bonds	4,619	4,712
Quoted overseas corporate bonds	235	224
Unquoted UK government indexed pooled	13,700	14,583
Sub-total: Bonds	18,554	19,519
Property:		
Un quoted UK property funds	5,010	5,235
Unquoted property funds	2,270	2,318
Sub-total: Property	7,280	7,553
Alternatives (Unquoted)		
Private equity funds	1,879	1,870
Infrastructure funds	5,010	4,412
Real estate debt funds	470	673
Private debt fund	1,722	374
Healthcare royalties	313	0
Sub-total: Alternatives	9,394	7,329
Total	78,287	74,787

# 30.7 Actuarial Assumptions used to determine the Present Value of the Scheme Liabilities

Liabilities have been assessed on an actuarial basis using the projected unit credit method - an estimate of the pensions that will be payable in future years dependent on assumptions about mortality rates, salary levels, etc. Funded and unfunded liabilities have been assessed by Mercers Human Resource Consulting Limited, an independent firm of actuaries, using estimates based on the latest full valuation of the scheme at 31 March 2016 (2016/17: 31 March 2016).

The significant actuarial assumptions used to determine the present value of the defined benefit obligation are set out in the following table:

	2017/18		2016/17	
	Beginning of period	End of period	Beginning of period	End of period
Post retirement mortality assumptions				
Life expectancy at 65 for current pensioners:				
- Male	23.1yrs	23.2yrs	23.1yrs	23.1yrs
- Female	25.7yrs	25.8yrs	25.7yrs	25.7yrs
Life expectancy for future pensioners ages 65 in 20 years' time:				
- Male	25.4yrs	25.5yrs	25.9yrs	25.4yrs
- Female	28.4yrs	28.5yrs	28.9yrs	28.4yrs
Financial assumptions				
Rate of CPI inflation	2.30%	2.10%	2.00%	2.30%
Rate of increase in salaries	3.80%	3.60%	3.50%	3.80%
Rate of increase in pensions	2.30%	2.20%	2.00%	2.30%
Rate for discounting scheme liabilities	2.50%	2.60%	3.50%	2.50%

## 30.8 Sensitivity Analysis

The estimated defined benefit obligation is sensitive to changes in the actuarial assumptions set out in the preceding table. The sensitivity analysis below shows how the defined benefit obligation would have been affected by reasonably possible changes in the actuarial assumptions at the balance sheet date. The impact of the change in each assumption assumes that all other assumptions remain constant. The estimations in the sensitivity analysis are calculated on an actuarial basis using the projected unit credit method.

		Sensitivity analysis					
	At 31.3.18	+0.1% p.a. discount rate	+0.1 p.a. inflations	+0.1 p.a. pay growth	1 year increase in life expectancy		
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000		
Liabilities	(107,089)	(105,285)	(108,925)	(107,324)	(109,222)		
Assets	78,287	78,287	78,287	78,287	78,287		
(Deficit)/Surplus	(28,802)	(26,998)	(30,638)	(29,037)	(30,935)		
Projected service cost for next year	1,751	1,698	1,807	1,751	1,788		
Projected net interest cost for next year	736	716	786	745	794		

		Sensitivity analysis				
	At 31.3.17	+0.1% p.a. discount rate	+0.1 p.a. inflations	+0.1 p.a. pay growth	1 year increase in life expectancy	
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	
Liabilities	(109,496)	(107,651)	(111,373)	(109,813)	(111,811)	
Assets	74,787	74,787	74,787	74,787	74,787	
(Deficit)/Surplus	(34,709)	(32,864)	(36,586)	(35,026)	(37,024)	
Projected service cost for next year	1,832	1,777	1,890	1,832	1,872	
Projected net interest cost for next year	845	830	593	854	904	

#### 30.9 Risks and Investment strategy

The principal risks to the Authority of the Scheme are those associated with longevity (life expectancy) assumptions, structural changes (i.e. large scale withdrawals from the scheme), changes to inflation and financial risks associated with the Scheme's investment activities.

The Scheme's primary long-term risk is that scheme assets will fall short of its liabilities (i.e. promised benefits payable to members). The aim of the Scheme's investment risk management is to balance the minimisation of the risk of an overall reduction in the value of the Scheme with maximising the opportunity for gains across the whole Scheme portfolio. The Scheme achieves this through asset diversification to reduce exposure to market risk (price risk, currency risk and interest rate risk) and keep credit risk to an acceptable level. In addition, the Scheme manages its liquidity risk to ensure there is sufficient liquidity to meet forecast cash flows.

The Scheme currently holds assets across a range of products and investment (fund) managers to diversify risk. Allocations to both fund managers and asset classes are reviewed on an ongoing basis by the Schemes Officers and Independent Advisors. The Pensions Committee additionally undertake further oversight and monitoring through quarterly review of the Scheme monitoring report. Strategic asset allocation receives a high level of attention and a full strategy review is undertaken every three years following the Actuarial Valuation. The Actuarial Valuation considers longevity risk and the affordability of contribution rates for the County Council, District Councils and other employers of the Scheme, taking a prudent longer-term view of funding the liabilities.

Details of the Scheme's Investment Strategy and how it manages risk and return issues relative to the fund's investment objectives are outlined in the Scheme's Investment Strategy Statement (previously the Statement of Investment Principles (SIP)). The Investment Strategy is kept under continual review in conjunction with evaluation of the Scheme's Funding Strategy Statement. The Funding Strategy Statement sets out how solvency and other risks will be managed with regard to the Scheme's underlying pension liabilities. Its purpose is to:

- establish a clear and transparent fund-specific strategy which will identify how employers' pension liabilities are best met going forward
- support the regulatory requirement for contributions rates to be sufficient to secure the scheme's solvency within an appropriate deficit recovery period
- have regard to the desirability of employer contribution rates remaining as stable as possible, and
- take a prudent longer-term view of funding those liabilities.

In setting and reviewing the investment strategy, the Administering Authority is required to take account of the form and structure of liabilities.

Further details of the Scheme's exposure to financial risks in relation to investing activities and the strategies used to manage those risks are outlined below.

#### Market Risk

Market value risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices. The Scheme is exposed to the risk of financial loss from a change in the value of its investments. This may result in the Scheme's assets failing to deliver the returns required to match the underlying liabilities of the Scheme over the longer term. To mitigate market value risk, the scheme has set restrictions on the type of investment it can hold. The Scheme has also adopted benchmark limits on the different types of investments (asset classes) held. These are designed to diversify the risk and minimise the impact of poor performance in a particular asset class by achieving a spread of investments across both the main asset classes and geographic / political regions within each asset class.

Mitigation against market risk is also achieved by diversifying across multiple investment managers and by regularly reviewing the Investment Strategy and performance of the Scheme.

Market risk comprises three types of risk: interest rate risk, currency risk and other price risk (that is risks, other than those arising from interest rate risk or currency risk, caused by factors specific to the individual financial instrument or its issuer, or by factors affecting all similar financial instruments traded in the market).

#### Interest Rate Risk

The Scheme invests in financial assets for the primary purpose of obtaining a return on investments. These investments are subject to interest rate risks, which represent the risks that the fair value of future cash flow of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates.

#### **Currency risk**

The Scheme holds a number of financial assets and liabilities in overseas financial markets and is therefore exposed to the risk of loss arising from exchange rate movements of foreign currencies. To reduce the volatility from foreign currency exposure, the Scheme has 50% of the investments denominated in overseas currencies hedged into sterling in accordance with the passive currency overlay programme.

#### Credit / Counterparty risk

Credit risk is the risk that a counterparty to a financial instrument will fail to discharge an obligation or commitment that it has entered into and cause the Scheme to incur financial loss. The selection of high quality counterparties, brokers and financial institutions minimises credit risk that may occur through the failure to settle a transaction in a timely manner. The Scheme monitors its exposure to credit and counterparty risk through review of the Scheme's external investment managers annual internal control reports.

### Liquidity risks

Liquidity risk represents the risk that the Scheme will not be able to meet its financial obligations as they fall due. The Administering Authority, with the Actuary, frequently reviews the overall cash flow position of the Scheme to ensure its obligations can be covered. The Scheme also holds a large value of very liquid securities which could be promptly realised if required.

#### Other risks

Actions taken by the Government, or changes to legislation, could result in stronger local funding standards, which could materially affect the Authority's cash flow.

In addition there is a risk that changes in the assumptions (e.g. life expectancy, price inflation, discount rate) could increase the defined benefit obligation and/or the liabilities for actuarial valuation purposes. Other assumptions used to value the defined benefit obligation are also uncertain, although their effect is less material.

#### 30.10 Impact on the Authority's Cash Flows

#### Funding the liabilities

Regulations governing the scheme require actuarial valuations to be carried out every three years. Contributions for each employer are set having regard to their individual circumstances. The Regulations require contributions to be set with a view to targeting the Scheme's solvency. Detailed provisions are set out in the Scheme's Funding Strategy Statement.

The most recent actuarial valuation was carried out as at 31 March 2016. This showed a shortfall of assets against liabilities of £0.21billion (assets of £2.05 billion against accrued liabilities of £2.26 billion), equivalent to a funding level of 91% of the Scheme's liabilities. At the previous valuation at 31 March 2013 the shortfall was £0.46bn, equivalent to a solvency funding level of 78%. The Scheme's employers are paying additional contributions over an average deficit recovery period of approximately 15 years in order to meet this shortfall. The next actuarial valuation will take place with an effective date of 31 March 2019.

#### Projected contributions to the scheme in 2018/19

Projected employer contributions which the Authority expects to pay in 2018/19 is £956,000 (2017/18: £3,580,000). This comprises normal contributions of £804,000 (2017/18: £3,424,000) and a recharge of unfunded benefits of £152,000 (2017/18: £156,000).

Employer contributions made in 2017/18 include deficit funding contributions of £2,646,400. Following the 2016 actuarial valuation exercise, the Authority opted to prepay its deficit funding contributions for the three year period 2017/18 to 2019/20. Prepayment of the Authority's deficit funding contributions will generate a reduction in the total deficit funding contributions payable over the three year period of £168,600. The amount of deficit funding payment chargeable to the Authority's general fund in 2018/19 is £882,000 (2017/18: £899,300).

The weighted average duration of the Authority's defined benefit obligation, measured on the actuarial assumptions used for IAS19 purposes, is 17 years (2016/17: 17 years).

#### 31. Financial Instruments

### 31.1 Financial Instruments by category

The carrying amounts of financial assets presented in the Balance Sheet relate to the following measurement categories as defined in IAS 39 and the Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting. The accounting policies set out in section 6 provide a description of each category of financial assets and financial liabilities and the related accounting policies.

#### **Financial Assets**

	Note	Loans & receivables £'000	Available for Sale financial assets £'000	Non IAS 39 financial assets £000	Total for line item
At 31 March 2018					
Long-term investments	23	1,635	11	0	1,646
Long-term debtors	-	35	0	0	35
Short-term debtors	24	1,853	0	2,873	4,726
Payments in advance	24	0	0	1,093	1,093
Cash and cash equivalents	25	1,621	5,518	0	7,139
Total for category		5,144	5,529	3,966	14,639
At 31 March 2017					
Long-term investments	23	2,297	11	0	2,308
Long-term debtors	-	36	0	0	36
Short-term debtors	24	1,989	0	3,309	5,298
Payments in advance	24	0	0	1,513	1,513
Cash and cash equivalents	25	2,420	5,657	0	8,077
Total for category		6,742	5,668	4,822	17,232

#### Financial Liabilities

	Note	Financial Liabilities measured at amortised cost £'000	Non IAS39 financial Liabilities £000	Total for line item
At 31 March 2018				
Long-term borrowing	26	(15,067)	0	(15,067)
Long-term creditors	-	(290)	0	(290)
Bank overdraft	25	(1,805)	0	(1,805)
Short-term borrowing	26	(593)	0	(593)
Short-term creditors	27	(1,304)	(2,518)	(3,822)
Receipts in advance	28	0	(1,209)	(1,209)
Total for category		(19,059)	(3,727)	(22,786)
At 31 March 2017				
Long-term borrowing	26	(13,380)	0	(13,380)
Long-term creditors -	-	(332)	0	(332)
Bank overdraft	25	(1,860)	0	(1,860)
Short-term borrowing	26	(509)	0	(509)
Short-term creditors	27	(1,555)	(2,811)	(4,366)
Receipts in advance	28	0	(1,547)	(1,547)
Total for category		(17,636)	(4,358)	(21,994)

Information about the fair value at each class of financial instruments is given in note 31.

## 31.2 Material Soft Loans made by the Authority

The Authority does not have any material soft loans.

#### 31.3 Reclassification

There has been no reclassification of financial assets during 2017/18 (2016/17: nil).

#### 31.4 Allowance for credit losses

When financial assets are impaired, the Authority records the impairment in a separate account rather than directly reducing the carrying amount of the asset.

All of the Authority's trade and other receivables have been reviewed for indicators of impairment at the balance sheet date. Certain trade receivables were found to be impaired (individually and collectively) and an allowance for credit losses of £126,582 (2016/17: £240,990) has been made.

Allowances made for credit losses on long-term investment balances are shown in note 23.

The movement in the allowance for credit losses on trade and other receivables can be reconciled as follows:

		2017/18		2016/17			
	Individual impairment £'000	Collective impairment £'000	Total £'000	Individual impairment £'000	Collective impairment £'000	Total £'000	
Balance at 1 April	(175)	(66)	(241)	(212)	(58)	(270)	
Amounts written off (uncollectable)	114	О	114	52	0	52	
Net impairment loss recognised in year	20	(20)	0	(15)	(8)	(23)	
Balance at 31 March	(41)	(86)	(127)	(175)	(66)	(241)	
Amounts charged to the Surplus of Deficit on the Provision of Services	20	(20)	0	15	8	23	

#### 31.5 Defaults and breaches

There have been no defaults of loans payable as at 31 March 2018.

## 31.6 Income expenses, gains and losses

Income expenses, gains and losses included in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement in relation to financial instruments comprise:

		2017/	18			201	6/17	
	Financial Liabilities Amortised Cost £'000	Financial Assets Loans & Receivables £'000	Available for Sale Financial Assets £'000	Total £'000	Financial Liabilities Amortised Cost £'000	Financial Assets Loans & Receivables £'000	Available for Sale Financial Assets £'000	Total £'000
Net Cost of Services								
Movement in allowance for impairment losses (Note 31.4)	0	0	0	0	0	23	0	23
Other impairment losses recognised in year	0	22	0	22	0	0	0	0
	0	22	0	22	0	23	0	23
Financing and Investment Income & expenditure								
Losses on derecognition (modification) of AIP loan notes	0	837	0	837	0	0	0	0
Interest payable on PWLB borrowing	791	0	0	791	799	0	0	799
Interest payable on other borrowing	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
Finance lease charges	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total interest payable	793	837	0	1,630	799	0	0	799
Gains on derecognition	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Interest & investment income	0	(186)	(25)	(211)	0	(265)	(39)	(304)
Total Interest & investment income	0	(186)	(25)	(211)	0	(265)	(39)	(304)
Other Comprehensive Income & Expenditure								
Gains on revaluation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Losses on revaluation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amounts recycled to surplus or deficit on the provision of services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Net (Gain)/Loss for year	793	6,73	(25)	1,441	799	(242)	(39)	518

# 31.7 Fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The following table shows the levels within the fair value hierarchy of financial assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis.

Financial Asset	Note	Level	31.3.18 £'000	31.3.17 £'000
Unquoted Equity Investments (shares)	23	2	11	11
Money Market Funds	25	1	5,518	5,657

### **Money Market Funds - level 1**

The Authority's investments in money market funds are held in constant net asset value funds. The (quoted) fair value of these funds is represented by the par value of principal sums invested plus interest (dividends) earned but not yet received.

The valuation techniques used for instruments categorised in levels 2 and 3 are described below.

#### Unquoted equity investments - level 2

The fair value of the Authority' investment in WCF Limited is measured according to the share price published by the company; being the price at which sales and purchases will be transacted on specified dealing dates set by the company.

### Transfers between Levels of the Fair Value Hierarchy

There were no transfers between input levels 1 and 2 during the year.

#### Changes in the Valuation Technique

There has been no change in the valuation techniques used during the year for the financial instruments.

# 31.8 Fair value hierarchy for financial assets and financial liabilities that are not measured at fair value (but fair value disclosures are required)

The carrying amount of the following financial assets and liabilities is considered a reasonable approximation of fair value:

- Trade receivables, cash and cash equivalents, trade payables and bank overdrafts
- Other short term borrowing maturing within 12 months of the balance sheet date.

For those financial assets and liabilities whose carrying value does not approximate fair value, the following table presents a comparison, by class, of the carrying amounts and fair value.

	Carrying		Fair value				
	Value £'000	Level 1 £'000	Level 2 £'000	Level 3 £'000	At 31/3/18 £'000		
Financial Assets							
Secured 12% loan notes - AIP LLP	1,635	-	-	1,680	1,680		
Financial Liabilities							
PWLB Loans	(15,575)	ı	ı	(25,722)	(25,722)		
At 31 March 2018	(13,940)	-	•	(24,042)	(24,042)		

	Carrying	Fair value					
	Value £'000	Level 1 £'000	Level 2 £'000	Level 3 £'000	At 31/3/17 £'000		
Financial Assets							
Secured 12% loan notes - AIP LLP	2,297	-	-	2,609	2,609		
Financial Liabilities							
PWLB Loans	(13,804)	ı	-	(23,714)	(23,714)		
At 31 March 2017	(11,507)	-	-	(21,105)	(21,105)		

The fair value of financial asset and liabilities not measured at fair value and included in levels 2 and 3 in the above table have been estimated using a discounted cash flow analysis.

#### **PWLB Debt**

The fair value of PWLB loans is measured by calculating the present value of the cash flows relating to principal and interest that will take place over the remaining term of each loan. Cash flows are discounted using a representative interest rate that a market participant would consider indicative of economic conditions at the measurement date. The interest rates used are derived from UK gilt prices and PWLB new loan rates in force at close of business on the last working day of the financial year. These rates are adjusted to reflect market participant's assumptions of the Authority's own non-performance risk by using the estimated credit spread between gilt yields and PWLB new loans rates, and yields on AA rated loans with similar repayment terms.

The fair value measurement of financial liabilities including PWLB debt assumes that the financial liability is transferred to a market participant at the measurement date and would:

- remain outstanding with the market participant transferee required to fulfil the obligation
- not be settled with the counterparty or otherwise extinguished on the measurement date.

When a quoted price for the transfer of an identical or a similar liability is not available and the identical item is held by another party as an asset, the fair value of the liability is measured from the perspective of a market participant that holds the identical item as an asset at the measurement date.

The fair value of PWLB debt of £25,722k (31.3.17: £23,714k) does not represent the amount at which the Authority could settle, prematurely, its outstanding loans with the PWLB. At the balance sheet date the amount payable by the Authority to repay its PWLB debt prematurely measured using PWLB premature repayment rates - is £29,598k (31.3.17: £28,122k).

#### Allerdale Investment Partnership LLP - 12% secured investor loan notes 2034

The fair value of the Authority's holding of Allerdale Investment Partnership LLP secured loan notes is estimated by calculating the present value of the cash flows expected to take place over the remaining term of the loan. Cash flows relating to principal and interest are discounted using a benchmark interest rate (PWLB new loan rate) in force at close of business on the last working day of the financial year, for loans with a similar repayment period. This rate is then adjusted for the credit spread, calculated by reference to the instruments coupon rate and the benchmark rate at the origination date.

## 32. Cash Flows from Operating Activities

# 32.1 Reconciliation of Net Surplus or (Deficit) on the Provision of Services to the Net Cash Flow from operating activities

	2017/18	2016/17 £'000
	£'000	
Net Surplus or (Deficit) on the Provision of Services	(2,588)	(2,890)
Adjust net surplus or deficit on the provision of services for		
non-cash movements		
Depreciation	1,721	2,518
Amortisation	15	19
Impairment and downward valuations	(460)	33
Increase/(Decrease) in interest creditors	0	4
Increase/(Decrease) in creditors	(701)	(402)
(Increase)/Decrease in interest and dividend debtors	(175)	(246)
(Increase)/Decrease in debtors	719	(287)
(Increase)/Decrease in inventories	(58)	10
Movement in pension liability	(856)	424
Contributions to/(from) provisions	512	(138)
Carrying amount of non-current assets and non-current assets held for sale, sold or derecognised	184	4,212
Movement in investment property values	(666)	(945)
Gains/losses on derecognition of loans & advances in year	837	0
Other non-cash items	0	(9)
	1,072	5,193
Adjust for items included in the net surplus or deficit on the provision of services that are investing or financing activities		
Capital Grants credited to surplus or deficit on the provision of services	0	(90)
Proceeds from the sale of property plant and equipment, investment property and intangible assets	(74)	(290)
	(74)	(380)
Net Cash Flows from Operating Activities	(1,590)	1,923

## 32.2 Cash Flows from Operating Activities (Interest)

	2017/18 £'000	2016/17 £'000
Cash flows from interest receivable		
Interest and dividends receivable	211	304
Opening debtor	552	306
Closing debtor	(728)	(552)
Interest Received	35	58
Cash flows from interest payable		
Interest charge for year	(793)	(799)
Opening creditor	(197)	(193)
Closing creditor	197	197
Interest Paid	(793)	(795)

## 33. Cash Flows from Investing Activities

	2017/18 £'000	2016/17 £'000
Purchase of property, plant and equipment, investment property and intangible assets	(1,124)	(3,272)
Purchase of long-term investments	0	0
Other payments for investing activities	0	(70)
Proceeds from the sale of property plant and equipment, investment property and intangible assets	84	263
Proceeds from the sale of short-term investments	0	0
Other capital cash receipts	14	36
Capital Grants received	222	500
Total Cash Flows from Investing Activities	(804)	(2,543)

# 34 Cash Flows from Financing Activities

	2017/18	2016/17
	£'000	£'000
Cash receipts of short and long- term borrowing	2,000	0
Billing Authorities - Council Tax and NNDR adjustments	(262)	(332)
Repayment of short-term and long-term borrowing	(227)	(221)
Total Cash Flows from Financing Activities	1,511	(553)

## 35. Nature and extent of risks arising from financial instruments

#### 35.1 Risk management objectives and policies

The Authority is exposed to various (financial) risks in relation to financial instruments. The main types of risks are:

- Credit risk the risk that a party to a financial instrument will cause a financial loss for the Authority by failing to discharge an obligation
- Liquidity risk the risk that the Authority will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations
  associated with financial liabilities as they fall due. It includes the inability to obtain
  finance or to re-finance existing borrowing as it falls due in order to meet cash flow
  obligations, or that refinancing can only be achieved on terms that are unfavourable
  and/or inconsistent with prevailing market conditions at the time
- Market risk the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices. Market risk comprises three types of risk:
  - (i) Interest rate risk the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates
  - (ii) **Currency risk** the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates
  - (iii) **Price risk** the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices (other than those arising from interest rate risk or currency risk), whether those changes are caused by factors specific to the individual financial instrument or its issuer, or factors affecting all similar financial instruments traded in the market.

The Authority has adopted the CIPFA Code of Practice for Treasury Management in Public Services and regards the successful identification, monitoring and control of risk as the prime criteria for measuring the effectiveness of its treasury management activities.

Objectives, policies and processes for managing the risk, including details of how risks are identified, monitored and controlled are set out in the Authority's Treasury Management Policy Statement, Treasury Management Practices (TMPs) and Annual Treasury Management Strategy Statement and Investment Strategy. These have been prepared in accordance with CIPFA Code of Practice for Treasury Management in Public Services and MHCLG's (formerly CLG) Investment Guidance.

The Authority's overall risk management programme focuses on the unpredictability of financial markets and seeks to minimise potential adverse effects on the resources available to fund services. Risk management is carried out by a central treasury team, under delegated authorities and policies approved by the Council and set out in the Authority's Treasury Management Policy Statement, Treasury Management Practices and Annual Treasury Management Strategy Statement and Investment Strategy.

Regular reports on the Authority's treasury management policies, practices and activities are prepared for consideration by members. This includes consideration by Full Council of the Authority's Annual Treasury Management Strategy Statement and Investment Strategy in advance of the year, a mid-year review and an annual report after the year-end on the performance of the treasury management function, the effects of the decisions taken and transactions executed in the past year and any circumstances of non-compliance with the Authority's Treasury Management Policy Statement and TMPs.

The most significant financial risks to which the Authority is exposed and the policies and strategies employed to manage these risks are described below.

#### 35.2 Credit Risk

Credit risk arises from deposits with banks, building societies and other financial institutions, as well as credit exposures associated with trade and other receivables.

The Authority's primary policy objective is to ensure the security of the principal sums invested in priority to liquidity and yield. Credit risk exposures are managed by:

- restricting the counterparties with whom investments may be placed to those financial institutions and other bodies with a minimum long-term rating across all three of the main credit ratings agencies (Fitch, Moody's and Standard and Poor) of A- or equivalent (AA+ or equivalent for non-UK sovereigns)
- placing restrictions on the types of investment instruments that may be used
- setting limits on the principal amounts invested and duration of individual instruments dependent on the financial standing (creditworthiness) of the counterparty.

The creditworthiness of counterparties is assessed primarily by reference to published credit ratings. The assessment also includes reference to other sources of information on credit risk including credit default swaps, sovereign ratings and support mechanisms and market sentiment towards counterparties.

Credit ratings are kept under regular review and ratings watch notices - indicating imminent downgrading or upgrading of a credit rating - acted upon.

With the exception of funds placed with HM Treasury's Debt Management Office, the maximum amount that may be placed with any institution or group of institutions that are part of the same banking group is £4m. All new investments are subject to a maximum maturity of 364 days.

The Authority's Treasury Management Practices and Annual Investment Strategy specify the types of investment instruments that may be used by the Authority. Permitted instruments are categorised as either "Specified" or "Non-Specified" investments as defined in MHCLGs Investment Guidance to distinguish those instruments offering relatively high security and high liquidity from those with higher credit risk.

The Authority continuously monitors defaults of customers and other counterparties, identified either individually or by group and incorporates this information into its credit risk controls.

### 35.3 Maximum exposure to credit risk at the reporting date

The Authority's maximum exposure to credit risk at the balance sheet date is represented by the carrying amount of its financial assets (excluding equities), as set out in note 35.

#### Financial guarantees

The maximum exposure to credit risk in respect of financial guarantees is the maximum amount the Authority could have to pay if the guarantee is called on.

In 1987 the Authority entered into an arrangement to guarantee loan stock issued by Home Housing Association. In accordance with transitional provisions contained in the Code, this guarantee is recognised and measured in accordance with section 8.2 of the Code - Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets (IAS 37) rather than Chapter 7 - Financial Instruments (IAS 39). Further details, including the maximum exposure to credit losses in respect of this guarantee, are set out in note 38.

The Authority does not expect any losses from non-performance by any of its counterparties in relation to deposits and investments with banks, building societies and other financial institutions.

The Allerdale Investment Partnership Secured 12% Investor Loan Notes are secured by a fixed and floating charge over the assets of the Partnership. None of the Authority's other financial assets are secured by collateral or other credit enhancements.

## 35.4 Credit quality of financial assets that are neither past due nor impaired

The credit quality of financial assets that are neither past due nor impaired is summarised below:

				Cr	edit ratin	g¹	
2017/18 Class of financial instrument			AAA	AA-	A	Α-	Not rated
	Note	Domicile	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Specified investments							
Cash imprest accounts (cash in hand)	25	UK					2
Call accounts (same day access funds)	25	UK		822	479		
Other Bank deposits	25	UK			318		
Money Market Funds	25	UK	1,071				
Money Market Funds	25	Ireland	4,447				
Non specified investments							
Loans and advances (AIP loan notes)	23	UK					1,635
Other loans and advances	-	UK					35
Equity shares	23	UK					11
Trade and other receivables	24	UK					1,740

				Cr	edit ratin	g <sup>1</sup>	
2016/17 Class of financial instrument			AAA	AA-	Α	Α-	Not rated
	Note	Domicile	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Specified investments							
Cash imprest accounts (cash in hand)	25	UK					1
Call accounts (same day access funds)	25	UK		2,000		59	
Other Bank deposits	25	UK				360	
Money Market Funds	25	UK	1,401				
Money Market Funds	25	Ireland	4,256				
Non specified investments							
Loans and advances (AIP loan notes)	23	UK					2,297
Other loans and advances	-	UK					37
Equity shares	23	UK					11
Trade and other receivables	24	UK					1,925

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Standard & Poor's equivalent rating shown as reference to the lowest credit rating of the counterparty from either Standard & Poor's or Moody's

In respect of trade and other receivables, the Authority is not exposed to any significant credit risk exposure to any single counterparty or any group of counterparties having similar characteristics. Based on historical information about customer default rates the Authority considers the credit quality of trade receivables that are not past due or impaired to be good.

### 35.5 Age of financial assets that are past due as at the reporting date but not impaired

A financial asset is deemed to be past due when a counterparty has failed to make a payment when contractually due. The Authority generally expects its customers to settle outstanding accounts within 28 day of invoicing. At 31 March 2018 £237,150 (31.3.17: £303,868) of trade receivables (classified as financial instruments) were past due for payment. Trade receivables past due but not impaired at the balance sheet date can be analysed by age as follows:

	At	31 March 201	8	At 31 March 2017			
	Gross	Allowance	Not impaired	Gross	Allowance	Not impaired	
Past due status	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	
Not past due	1,743	(3)	1,740	1,926	(1)	1,925	
Past due 1 to 6 months	83	(18)	-	52	(8)	-	
Past due 6 to 12 months	27	(13)	-	15	(5)	-	
Past due more than 12 months	127	(93)	1	237	(227)	-	
Total	1,980	(127)	1,740	2,230	(241)	1,925	

No other financial assets were past due at the end of the reporting period.

The carrying amount of trade receivables that are individually impaired is £41,215 (2017: £218,120). Related impairment losses are included in the amounts shown in the above table and amount to £41,215 (2017: £174,643). Impairment is determined on the basis of an individual assessment of the financial standing of the customer/counterparty.

### 35.6 Liquidity Risk

The Authority's policy is to ensure:

- it has adequate though not excessive cash resources, borrowing arrangements, overdraft or standby facilities to enable it at all times to have the level of funds available to it which are necessary for the achievement of its business/service objectives.
- borrowing is negotiated, structured and documented, and the maturity profile of the monies so raised are managed, with a view to obtaining offer terms for renewal or refinancing, if required, which are competitive and as favourable to the organisation as can reasonably be achieved in the light of market conditions prevailing at the time.

The Authority manages its liquidity needs by:

- effective cash flow forecasting and monitoring of cash balances across various time horizons
- maintaining prudent levels of liquid funds in call accounts, Money Market funds and other short term instruments
- monitoring scheduled debt servicing payments for long term financial liabilities and setting limits on the amount of borrowing that matures within any specified period.

The Authority also has ready access to borrowing from the Public Works Loans Board. As a consequence there is no significant risk that it will be unable to raise finance to meet its commitments under financial instruments. Instead, the risk is that the Authority will be bound to replenish a significant proportion of its borrowings at a time of unfavourable interest rates. This is managed through a combination of careful planning of new loans taken out and (where it is economic to do so) making early repayments in order to limit the amount of fixed rate borrowing that matures within any specified period.

## 35.7 Contractual maturity analysis – non-derivative financial liabilities

The contractual maturity of the Authority's financial liabilities (including interest payments where applicable) is as follows:

At 31 March 2018	PWLB	Local bonds	Trust funds	Total External Borrowing	Bank overdraft	Trade creditors	Total
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Maturity Structure of Borrowing:							
Under 12 months	1,136	31	54	1,221	1,805	1,304	4,330
12 months and within 24 months	1,138	0	0	1,138	0	0	1,138
24 months and within 5 years	3,378	0	0	3,378	0	0	3,378
5 years and within 10 years	5,508	0	0	5,508	0	0	5,508
10 years and within 20 years	9,030	0	0	9,030	0	0	9,030
20 years and within 30 years	6,319	0	0	6,319	0	0	6,319
30 years and within 40 years	12,511	0	0	12,511	0	0	12,511
40 years and within 45 years	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	39,020	31	54	39,105	1,805	1,304	42,214
Effect of discounting	(23,640)	0	0	(23,640)	0	0	(23,640)
Interest accrual	195	0	0	195	0	0	195
Balance sheet carrying amount at 31 March 2018	15,575	31	54	15,660	1,805	1,304	18,769

The maturity of borrowing is determined by reference to the earliest date on which the lender can require payment.

At 31 March 2017	PWLB £'000	Local bonds £'000	Trust funds £'000	Total External Borrowing £'000	Bank overdraft £'000	Trade creditors £'000	Total £'000
Maturity Structure of Borrowing:							
Under 12 months	1,020	31	54	1,105	1,860	1,555	4,520
12 months and within 24 months	1,016	0	0	1,016	0	0	1,016
24 months and within 5 years	3,023	0	0	3,023	0	0	3,023
5 years and within 10 years	4,955	0	0	4,955	0	0	4,955
10 years and within 20 years	8,294	0	0	8,294	0	0	8,294
20 years and within 30 years	6,067	0	0	6,067	0	0	6,067
30 years and within 40 years	12,015	0	0	12,015	0	0	12,015
40 years and within 45 years	1,036	0	0	1,036	0	0	1,036
	37,426	31	54	37,511	1,860	1,555	40,926
Effect of discounting	(23,819)	0	0	(23,819)	0	0	(23,819)
Interest accrual	197	0	0	197	0	0	197
Balance sheet carrying amount at 31 March 2017	13,804	31	54	13,889	1,860	1,555	17,304

#### 35.8 Interest rate risk

The Authority is exposed to interest rate risk on its borrowings and investments.

Changes in interest payable and receivable on variable rate borrowings and investments will be posted to the Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services and will affect the General Fund Balance.

Movements in the fair value of fixed rate investments classified as available for sale will be reflected in Other Comprehensive Income and Expenditure. Changes in the fair value of fixed rate investments classified as loans and receivables and carried at amortised cost, do not impact on the Surplus of Deficit on the Provision of Services or Other Comprehensive Income and Expenditure.

Borrowings are not carried at fair value, so nominal gains and losses on fixed rate borrowings do not impact on the Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services or Other Comprehensive Income and Expenditure.

The Authority's policy objective is to manage its exposure to fluctuations in interest rates with a view to containing its interest costs, or securing its interest revenues, in accordance with the amounts provided in its budgetary arrangements.

The Authority manages its exposures by borrowing mainly at fixed rates, by placing limits on the proportions of fixed and variable rate borrowings and investments and by the use of variable rate debt instruments to offset exposure to changes in short-term rates on investments.

At 31 March 2018 all PWLB borrowing was at fixed rates (2017: 100%).

The table below illustrates the estimated impact on the Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services and Other Comprehensive Income and Expenditure as a result of applying a reasonably possible change to prevailing market interest rates to the Authority's exposures at the balance sheet date.

The calculations are based on a change in market interest rates of +/- 1% (100 basis points) for each period, and the financial instruments held at each reporting date that are sensitive to changes in interest rates. All other variables are held constant. This analysis is for illustrative purposes only.

	1% decrease ii	n interest rates	1% increase in interest rates		
Impact on:	2017/18 £'000	2016/17 £'000	2017/18 £'000	2016/17 £'000	
(Surplus) or Deficit on the Provision of Services	32	52	(49)	(58)	
Other Comprehensive Income and Expenditure	0	0	0	0	

Based on the weighted average balances outstanding during the year, the impact of a 1% increase in market rates of interest on the surplus or deficit on the provision of services would have been a reduction in net interest payable of £128,064 (2016/17: £155,897). A 1% decrease in market rates of interest would have increased net interest payable by £31,576 (2016/17: £52,859).

#### 35.9 Price risk

The Authority holds a limited number of equity shares. These instruments are classified as held for sale, meaning that all movements in price will impact on gains and losses recognised in Other Comprehensive Income and Expenditure. The Authority consequently has limited exposures to losses arising from movements in the market price of these investments.

A general shift of 5% in the general price of these instruments (positive or negative) would thus have resulted in a gain or loss of less than £1,000 being recognised in the Other Comprehensive Income and Expenditure.

#### 35.10 Currency risk

The Authority has no financial assets or liabilities denominated in foreign currencies. It therefore has no exposure to loss arising from movements in exchange rates.

#### 36. Leases

## 36.1 Operating Lease – Authority as Lessee

The Authority leases a Multi-Storey car park in Workington and office space in Cockermouth and Wigton. The Authority also leases vehicles for its own use. The details of future minimum lease payments as at 31 March are as follows:

	Future minimum rent payable						
At 31 March 2018	Within 1 year £'000	Between 2 & 5 years £'000	After 5 years £'000				
Property Leases	290	1,242	7,928				
Ground Rent	0	0	0				
Vehicles	34	28	0				
	324	1,270	7,928				

	Futi	ure minimum rent payab	le
At 31 March 2017	Within 1 year £'000	Between 2 & 5 years £'000	After 5 years £'000
Property Leases	310	1,226	8,264
Ground Rent	0	0	0
Vehicles	51	37	0
	361	1,263	8,264

The expenditure charged to the Comprehensive Income & Expenditure Statement during 2017/18 in relation to these leases was:

		2017/18		2016/17			
	Minimum Lease Payments £'000	Contingent Rents £'000	Sub Lease Payments Receivable £'000	Minimum Lease Payments £'000	Contingent Rents £'000	Sub Lease Payments Receivable £'000	
Property Leases	310	24	0	300	74	0	
Ground Rent	0	0	0	0	4	0	
Vehicles	65	65	0	64	0	0	
	375	89	0	364	78	0	

## 36.2 Operating Lease – Authority as Lessor

The Authority acts as a lessor in respect of land and property owned by it and leased to tenants. The future minimum lease payments receivable under these arrangements are as follows:

	Future minimum payments receivable					
At 31 March 2018	Within 1 year £'000	Between 2 & 5 years £'000	After 5 years £'000			
Small Licence Allotment	10	0	0			
Industrial Land	73	292	3,047			
Shops, Sub Stations & Other	417	1588	55,453			
	500	1,880	58,500			

	Future minimum payments receivable						
At 31 March 2017	Within 1 year £'000	Between 2 & 5 years £'000	After 5 years £'000				
Small Licence Allotment	10	0	0				
Industrial Land	77	293	3,119				
Shops, Sub Stations & Other	449	1,650	55,810				
	536	1,943	58,929				

The minimum lease payments receivable do not include rents that are contingent on events taking place after the lease was entered into, such as adjustments following rent reviews. In 2017/18: £1,154,878 (2016/17: £900,653) of contingent rents were receivable by the Authority.

## 37. Related Party Transactions

The Authority is required to disclose material transactions with related parties. These include a person (or close family member of that person) or an entity, that either controls or significantly influences the decisions and operations of the Authority or vice-versa. Related parties of the Authority include elected members, chief officers and entities controlled or significantly influenced by the Authority. It also includes the UK Government which exerts significant influence through legislation and grant funding. Disclosure of these transactions allows readers to assess the extent to which the Authority might have been constrained in its ability to operate independently or might have secured the ability to limit another party's ability to bargain freely with the Authority. A number of these transactions have already been disclosed within the financial statements and supporting notes as follows:

- a) Transactions and balances with Central Government, NHS bodies and other local authorities (including parish councils) are disclosed within the Comprehensive Income & Expenditure Statement, Balance Sheet and Cash Flow Statement
- b) Transactions and balances with the County Council, Central Government and Police and Crime Commissioner - in respect of council tax and NNDR - are disclosed in the Collection Fund Account and supporting notes
- c) Transactions and balances with the Pension Fund are summarised in note 30
- d) Remuneration of key management personnel is disclosed in note 12 Members' Allowances and note 13 Officers' Remuneration.

#### **Transactions with Joint Ventures**

The Authority holds Secured 12% Investor Loan Notes 2034, issued by Allerdale Investment Partnership LLP. These loan notes were issued at par with an issue value of £1,744,500. This includes £1,522,500 issued in 2014/15 in connection with the sale of surplus land to wholly owned subsidiaries of the partnership and loan notes with a par value of £222,000 issued by the partnership in 2015/16.

During 2017/18, a variation to the terms of the AIP loan notes was agreed by the noteholders. As a result of this variation, no further interest is payable to noteholders in 2017/18 and for such time as the percentage difference between each members profit share proportion is 5% or less. Rights accrued under the original agreement are unaffected by this change. The carrying value of AIP Loan notes at 31.3.18 has been adjusted to reflect the change in terms.

At 31 March 2018, the balance of Allerdale Investment Partnership Secured 12% Investor Loan Notes 2034 outstanding - including accrued interest to 31 March 2017- was £1,635,172 (31 March 2017: £2,297,300 (see note 23).

During 2016/17 the Authority paid costs on behalf of the partnership and AIP (Miltoft Field) Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of the partnership, totalling £129,690. These payments were recovered in full during the financial year.

## 38. Contingent Assets and Liabilities

#### 38.1 Home Housing Association

During 1987 the Authority entered into a joint scheme with Home Housing Association to secure the development of five sites in Workington, Silloth, Cockermouth and Keswick for houses to rent. Home Housing Association has, in three tranches, raised £100 million of stock which will mature in 2037. In order to enable Home Housing Association to raise private finance from institutional investors, all participating authorities were required to enter into a standard form of Guarantee in which they jointly and severally guarantee the loan stock raised by Home Housing Association to fund the development programme. There are nineteen authorities participating in the scheme.

The total liability to be guaranteed by participating authorities will be £100 million. This will continue in force until 2037 when the loan stock falls due to be repaid.

The strict liability of each authority under guarantee would be £100 million and, because the liability is joint and several, authorities would obviously not be prepared to expose themselves to the risk, however remote, of having to meet the full liability of the borrowing under their individual guarantee. There is a Counter Indemnity and Contribution arrangement whereby each participating Authority undertakes to reimburse any other authority or authorities paying more than their proportionate share of the guarantee. An authority's proportionate share is determined by reference to the estimated development expenditure in that authority's area. If the Guarantee were called in, the worst situation for the Authority would be that once it had recovered any contribution from other authorities, it would be left to fund no more than the cost of the development in its own area. This cost would be offset wholly, or partly, by the sums recovered from repossessing the units from Home Housing Association and selling them on. The latest schedule of guarantee levels indicates the Authority's Estimated Development Expenditure at £4,106,000 from an overall total of £84,100,000.

#### 38.2 Municipal Mutual Scheme of Arrangement

In 1992/93 the Authority's insurers, Municipal Mutual Insurance (MMI) ceased trading and entered into a scheme of arrangement. This arrangement enabled MMI to continue to deal with and pay liability claims arising from incidents up to 1993 with the aim of achieving a solvent run off. Under the scheme of arrangement if a solvent run off is not achievable, a percentage of claims payments made since 1993 could be clawed back by MMI.

Control of the Company has passed to a Scheme Administrator who, after carrying out a review of the assets and liabilities of MMI, advised the creditors of an initial levy rate of 15% on all claims paid to date within the scheme structure which exceeded £50,000 in aggregate. The initial levy rate, set in 2013/14 was subsequently increased to 25% during 2015/16. To date, the Authority has made levy payments of £91,074 against claim payments of £414,298. At 31 March 2018, no further provision has been made for additional levy payments that would become payable should the Scheme Administrator increase the levy rate further. In the event that the levy rate is increased, the maximum additional levy payable by the Authority is £273,224 (31.3.17: £273,224).

#### 39. Trust Funds

#### **39.1 Keswick Museum and Art Gallery** (Registered Charity Number 1088956)

Allerdale Borough Council is the sole trustee of Keswick Museum and Art Gallery, an unincorporated charitable trust, the objects of which are to maintain a public museum. Property of the trust - vested in the Authority as sole trustee - comprises the museum building situated at Station Road, Keswick and the Museum Collections & Exhibits.

Each year the Authority subsidises the charity to the extent of the excess of its expenses over its income. In 2017/18 the Trust received a contribution of £46,469 (2016/17: £79,595) from Allerdale Borough Council. The museum is managed on behalf of the Authority by Keswick Museum and Art Gallery Management Limited (Registered Charity Number: 1156330). The Keswick Museum and Art Gallery accounts are summarised below:

Summary Statement of Financial Activities	2017/18 £	2016/17 £
Income		
Contribution from Allerdale Borough Council	(46,469)	(79,595)
Donations	0	0
Total Income	(46,469)	(79,595)
Expenditure		
Direct charitable expenditure	46,469	79,595
Depreciation of Buildings	0	0
(Gain)/loss on disposal of fixed assets	0	0
Total Expenditure	46,469	79,595
Net (income)/Expenditure for the year		
Other gains and losses		
Gains on revaluation of fixed assets	0	(8,420)
Net (increase)/decrease in funds	0	(8,420)

#### 3: NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Summary Balance Sheet	31/3/18 £	31/3/17 £
Heritage Assets	1,134,140	1,134,140
Total Fixed Assets	1,134,140	1,134,140
Cash & cash equivalents	0	0
Total Current Assets	0	0
Net Assets	1,134,140	1,134,140
Represented by: Unrestricted income funds Designated funds:	0	0
Museum Collections & Exhibits	1,134,140	1,134,140
	1,134,140	1,134,140

#### **39.2 Helena Thompson Museum** (Registered Charity Number 1119567)

Allerdale Borough Council is the sole trustee of the Helena Thompson Museum, an unincorporated charitable trust. The trust exists to maintain in good repair and condition, the museum property (comprising the museum buildings, ground and collections), to support the purchase of antiques and articles of local interest for the museum and to fund the general expenses of the museum. The Trust property is vested in the Authority as sole trustee. Each year the Authority subsidises the charity to the extent of the excess of its expenses over its income. In 2017/18 the Trust received a contribution of £71,619 (2016/17: £71,658) from Allerdale Borough Council. The museum is managed on behalf of the Authority by Workington Heritage Group Limited ("WHG") (Registered Charity Number: 1127084). The Helena Thompson Museum accounts are summarised below:

Summary Statement of Financial Activities	2017/18 £	2016/17 £
Income		
Contribution from Allerdale Borough Council	(71,619)	(71,658)
Investments	0	0
Total Income	(71,619)	(71,658)
Expenditure		
Direct charitable expenditure	71,619	71,658
Depreciation of buildings	41,521	41,520
Total Expenditure	113,140	113,178
Net (income)/Expenditure for the year		
Other gains and losses		
Gains on revaluation of fixed assets	0	(92,890)
Net (increase)/decrease in funds	(41,521)	(51,370)

#### 3: NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Summary Balance Sheet	31/3/18 £	31/3/17 £
Tangible Assets	843,883	885,404
Heritage Assets	565,975	565,975
Investments	12,361	12,361
Total Fixed Assets	1,422,219	1,463,740
Cash & cash equivalents	0	0
Total Current Assets	0	0
Net Assets	1,422,219	1,463,740
Represented by:		
Restricted fund - Tangible assets	453,034	473,989
Revaluation reserve - Tangible assets	390,849	411,415
Restricted fund - Heritage assets	1,000	1,000
Revaluation reserve - Heritage assets	564,975	564,975
Restricted fund - Permanent endowment	12,361	12,361
	1,422,219	1,463,740

#### 39.3 Other Funds

The Authority also acts as administrator and/or trustee for a number of charitable and other funds. These funds do not represent assets of the Authority and are not included in the Authority's Balance Sheet. At 31 March 2018 the total value of these funds was £41,795 (31 March 2017: £41,795).

#### 40. Events After the Balance Sheet Date

The Statement of Accounts was certified by the Head of Financial Services, (Catherine Nicholson) on 27July 2018.

Events taking place after this date are not reflected in the Statements or Notes. Where an event taking place before this date provided information about conditions existing at 31 March 2018, the figures in the Statements, or Notes, have been adjusted in all material aspects to reflect the impact of this information as appropriate.

## **Collection Fund**

## **Income and Expenditure Account 2017/18**

		2017/18			2016/17		
	Business	Council	Total	Business	Council	Total	
	Rates £'000	Tax £'000	£'000	Rates £'000	Tax £'000	£'000	
INCOME	£ 000	£ 000	£ 000	£ 000	£ 000	£ 000	
Council Tax Receivable	_	52,665	52,665	-	50,438	50,438	
Business Rates Receivable	27,745	-	27,745	27,655	-	27,655	
Contribution towards previous	2,180		2,180	652		652	
year's estimated deficit	,	-	•	032	-	032	
Transitional Protection Payments	628	-	628				
	30,553	52,665	83,218	28,307	50,438	78,745	
EXPENDITURE							
Precepts (note 4)		C 000	C 000		0.544	C E44	
Allerdale Borough Council	-	6,833	6,833	-	6,511	6,511	
Cumbria County Council	-	38,665	38,665	-	36,304	36,304	
Police & Crime Commissioner for Cumbria	-	6,663	6,663	-	6,384	6,384	
Business Rates (note 5)							
Payments to Central Government	14,234	-	14,234	13,899	-	13,899	
Allerdale Borough Council	11,387	-	11,387	11,119	-	11,119	
Cumbria County Council	2,847	-	2,847	2,780	-	2,780	
Transitional Protection Payments	0	-	0	47	-	47	
Cost of Collection	183	-	183	182	-	182	
Disregarded Amounts	514	-	514	434	-	434	
Contribution towards previous year's estimated surplus	-	1,051	1,051	-	1,115	1,115	
Bad and Doubtful Debts							
Write-off of uncollectable amounts	214	391	605	254	171	425	
Movement in allowance for impairment	24	(189)	(165)	(86)	376	290	
Movement in provision for NNDR appeals	544	-	544	(286)	-	(286)	
	29,947	53,414	83,361	28,343	50,861	79,204	
Movement on Collection Fund							
Surplus/(Deficit) for year	607	(749)	(142)	(36)	(423)	(459)	
Surplus/(Deficit) at 1 April	(1,890)	1,451	(439)	(1,854)	1,874	20	
Surplus/(Deficit) at 31 March	(1,283)	702	(581)	(1,890)	1,451	(439)	
Allocation of Surplus/(Deficit):							
Central Government	(642)	_	(642)	(945)	-	(945)	
Allerdale Borough Council	(513)	92	(421)	(756)	192	(564)	
Cumbria County Council	(128)	520	392	(189)	1,072	883	
Police & Crime Commissioner for Cumbria	· ,	90	90	-	187	187	
	(1,283)	702	(581)	(1,890)	1,451	(439)	

#### **Notes to Collection Fund Account**

#### 1 General

The Collection Fund is an agent's statement that reflects the statutory obligation of billing authorities to maintain a separate Collection Fund for the collection and distribution of amounts due in respect of Council Tax and National Non-Domestic Rates (NNDR). The statement shows the transactions to the billing authority in relation to:

- the collection of council tax and non-domestic rates from taxpayers, and
- the distribution of the amounts collected to local authorities Allerdale Borough Council & major preceptors - (Cumbria County and the Police and Crime Commissioner for Cumbria) and Central Government (central share of non-domestic rates)

The transactions recognised in the Collection Fund are wholly prescribed by legislation. Administrative costs associated with the collection process are charged to the General Fund.

Surpluses or deficits declared by the billing authority in relation to the Collection Fund in respect of NNDR and Council tax are distributed to central government and the relevant precepting bodies in the subsequent financial years in accordance with statutory provisions.

#### 2 Council Tax

Council Tax income derives from charges raised according to the value of residential properties, which have been classified into eight valuation bands, calculated using estimated 1 April 1991 values for this specific purpose. Individual charges are calculated by estimating the amount of income required to be taken from the Collection Fund by Cumbria County Council, Police & Crime Commissioner for Cumbria and Allerdale Borough Council for the forthcoming year and dividing this by the Council Tax Base.

The Council Tax Base for 2017/18 of 30,183.13 represents the total number of properties in each band, with allowance for discounts, adjusted by a proportion to convert the number to a Band D equivalent, having taken account of the estimated collection rate for the year (98.5% for 2017/18; 97.5% for 2016/17).

The basic amount of Council Tax for a Band D property for 2017/18 of £1,664.78 (2016/17: £1,608.46) is multiplied by the proportion specified for the particular band to give an individual amount due.

#### 4: SUPPLEMENTARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - COLLECTION FUND

The following table shows the Band D Equivalent Chargeable Dwellings, the Tax Base and the basis of Council Tax bills for Bands A to H, taking account of the relevant proportion of Band D for each band:

		2017	2017/18		6/17
	Proportion of Band D	Basic amount of Council Tax	Band D equivalent number of chargeable dwellings	Basic amount of Council Tax £'000	Band D equivalent number of chargeable dwellings
Band A	6/9	1,109.85	9,632.11	1,072.30	9,536.48
Band B	7/9	1,294.83	5,010.73	1,251.03	4,897.22
Band C	8/9	1,479.80	5,657.34	1,429.74	5,579.75
Band D	9/9	1,664.78	4,869.35	1,608.46	4,797.66
Band E	11/9	2,034.73	3,270.49	1,965.89	3,240.17
Band F	13/9	2,404.68	1,454.25	2,323.33	1,424.07
Band G	15/9	2,774.64	718.47	2,680.76	715.28
Band H	18/9	3,329.56	30.00	3,216.92	35.70
Equ	uivalent Charge	able Dwellings 30,642.74			30,226.33
	98.5% (2016/17) dwellings	: 97.5%) <b>of</b>	30,183.10		29,470.67

The Council Tax income for 2017/18 of £52,664,497 (2016/17: £50,438,917) comprises:

	2017/18	2016/17	
	£	£	
Billed to Council Tax payers	66,546,088	63,958,939	
Council Tax Benefit overpayments <sup>1</sup>	11,219	5,795	
Total receivable from taxpayers	66,557,307	63,964,734	
Discounts & exemptions	(13,900,449)	(13,916,513)	
	52,656,858	50,048,221	
Flood relief (transfer from General Fund)	18,858	396,491	
Council Tax Benefit overpayments <sup>1</sup>	(11,219)	(5,795)	
	52,664,497	50,438,917	

Council Tax Benefit was abolished in 2013/14 following the introduction of localised support for council tax and its replacement with a Council Tax Reduction Scheme administered by the Authority. Funding for Council Tax support schemes is now provided through the business rates retention scheme rather than through a separate grant.

#### 3 National Non-Domestic Rates

National Non-Domestic Rates (NNDR) is based on local rateable values provided by the Valuation Office Agency (VOA) multiplied by a uniform business rate set nationally by Central Government.

For 2017/18, the total non-domestic rateable value at the year-end is £78.8m (2016/17 £71.1m). The national multipliers for 2017/18 were 46.6p for qualifying Small Businesses, and the standard multiplier being 47.9p for all other businesses (48.4p and 49.7p respectively in 2016/17).

#### 4: SUPPLEMENTARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - COLLECTION FUND

Under the business rates retention scheme which has operated since 2013/14, 40% of the business rates income received is retained by the Authority. The remainder is paid to Central Government (50%) and Cumbria County Council (10%).

## 4 Council Tax - Precepts and Demands

The amount shown below represents the precepting authorities' demands on the Collection Fund:

2017/18	Precept £	Surplus¹ £	Total £
Allerdale Borough Council	6,833,084	139,050	6,972,134
Cumbria County Council	38,665,197	775,256	39,440,453
Police and Crime Commissioner for Cumbria	6,663,531	136,332	6,799,863

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> distribution based on estimated 2016/17 surplus/deficit at 15 January 2017

2016/17	Precept £	Surplus¹ £	Total £
Allerdale Borough Council	6,511,484	148,971	6,660,455
Cumbria County Council	36,304,034	819,230	37,123,264
Police and Crime Commissioner for Cumbria	6,384,231	147,012	6,531,243

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> distribution based on estimated 2015/16 surplus/deficit at 15 January 2016

## 5 Non-Domestic Rates – Payments

2017/18	NNDR income <sup>1</sup> £	DR income <sup>1</sup> (Deficit) £	
Allerdale Borough Council (transfer from General fund) <sup>1</sup>	11,386,989	(872,084)	10,514,905
Cumbria County Council	2,846,747	(218,021)	2,628,726
Central Government	14,233,736	(1,090,106)	13,143,630

2016/17	NNDR income <sup>1</sup> £	(Deficit) £	Total £
Allerdale Borough Council (transfer from General fund) <sup>1</sup>	11,119,139	(260,956)	10,858,183
Cumbria County Council	2,779,785	(65,239)	2,714,546
Central Government	13,898,923	(326,194)	13,572,729

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> excluding transfers and payments relating to cost of collection allowance and disregarded income (renewable energy schemes)

# **Group Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement**

		2017/18			2016	2016/17 (as restated) <sup>1</sup>		
		Ехр.	Inc.	Net	Ехр.	Inc.	Net	
Corporate Resources	Note	<b>£'000</b> 5,641	£'000 (2,600)	<b>£'000</b> 3,041	£'000	£'000	£'000	
Economic Growth		2,461	(1,211)	1,250	5,778 2,490	(2,968) (1,099)	2,810 1,391	
Housing, Health & Wellbeing		3,168	(1,458)	1,710	2,732	(3,037)	(305)	
Leader of the Council		2,227	(843)	1,384	1,234	(483)	751	
Localities & Environmental Quality		10,172	(6,069)	4,103	10,610	(5,760)	4,850	
Governance & People Resources		2,476	(754)	1,722	1,960	(737)	1,223	
Tourism & Culture		1,023	(609)	414	809	(604)	205	
Transformation		23,976	(21,823)	2,153	27,885	(25,665)	2,220	
Cost of Services		51,144	(35,367)	15,777	53,498	(40,353)	13,145	
(Gains)/losses on disposal of non-current assets	9			354			4,145	
Parish council precepts				1,914			1,797	
Other Operating Expenditure				2,268			5,942	
Interest payable and similar charges	31.6			1,630			799	
Interest receivable and similar income	31.6			(211)			(304)	
Income & expenditure relating to investment								
properties	20			(1,687)			(1,488)	
Changes in fair values of investment properties	20			(666)			(945)	
(Gains)/losses on disposal of investment properties	9			0			0	
Net interest on the net defined benefit liability	30			789			934	
Financing and Investment Income and Expenditure				(145)			(1,004)	
Capital grants and contributions	8.1			0			(90)	
Unringfenced revenue grants	8.2			(4,466)			(4,433)	
Council tax income	8.3			(6,872)			(6,602)	
Non-domestic rates income and expenditure	8.4			(3,933)			(4,026)	
Taxation and non-specific grant income and expenditure				(15,271)			(15,151)	
(Surplus) or Deficit on Provision of Services				2,629			2,932	
Share of surplus or deficit on the provision of services by associates and joint venture				0			0	
Tax expenses of subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures				0			0	
Group (Surplus)/Deficit				2,629			2,932	
Items that will not be reclassified to (Surplus) or Deficit on Provision of Services				_,0_0			_,	
(Surplus)/deficit on revaluation of non-current assets				(5,228)			(774)	
Remeasurement of the net defined benefit liability	30			(5,051)			6,627	
Share of other comprehensive income of associates and joint ventures				0			0	
Items that may be reclassified to (Surplus) or Deficit on Provision of Services								
(Surplus)/deficit on revaluation of available for sale								
financial assets (less amounts recycled on disposal)				0			0	
Other Comprehensive Income and Expenditure				(10,279)			5,853	
Total Comprehensive Income and Expenditure				(7,650)			8,785	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Comparative amounts for cost of services have been restated in line with the restatement made to the Authority only Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement (see note 2.2(i))

## **Group Movement in Reserves Statement**

2017/18	Note	General Fund Balance £'000	Capital Receipts Reserve £'000	Capital Grants Unapplied £'000	Total Usable Reserves £'000	Unusable Reserves £'000	Total Authority Reserves £'000	Group Reserves £'000	Total Reserves £'000
Balance at 1 April 2017		10,301	378	1,563	12,242	22,564	34,806	2,527	37,333
Surplus or (deficit) on provision of services		(2,470)	0	0	(2,470)	0	(2,470)	(159)	(2,629)
Other Comprehensive Income and Expenditure			0	0	0	10,279	10,279	0	10,279
Total Comprehensive Income and Expenditure		(2,470)	0	0	(2,470)	10,279	7,809	(159)	7,650
Adjustments between Group and Authority Only Accounts	G3	(118)	0	0	(118)	0	(118)	118	0
Adjustments between accounting basis & funding basis under regulations	15	1,012	82	(527)	567	(567)	0	0	0
Increase / (Decrease) in Year		(1,576)	82	(527)	(2,021)	9,712	7,691	(41)	7,650
Balance at 31 March 2018		8,725	460	1,036	10,221	32,276	42,497	2,486	44,983

2016/17	Note	General Fund Balance £'000	Capital Receipts Reserve £'000	Capital Grants Unapplied £'000	Total Usable Reserves £'000	Unusable Reserves £'000	Total Authority Reserves £'000	Group Reserves £'000	Total Reserves £'000
Balance at 1 April 2016		8,646	409	861	9,916	33,717	43,633	2,485	46,118
Surplus or (deficit) on provision of services		(2,743)	0	0	(2,743)	0	(2,743)	(189)	(2,932)
Other Comprehensive Income and Expenditure		0	0	0	0	(5,937)	(5,937)	84	(5,853)
Total Comprehensive Income and Expenditure		(2,743)	0	0	(2,743)	(5,937)	(8,680)	(105)	(8,785)
Adjustments between Group and Authority Only Accounts	G3	(147)	0	0	(147)	0	(147)	147	0
Adjustments between accounting basis & funding basis under regulations	15	4,545	(31)	702	5,216	(5,216)	0	0	0
Increase / (Decrease) in Year		1,655	(31)	702	2,326	(11,153)	(8,827)	42	(8,785)
Balance at 31 March 2017		10,301	378	1,563	12,242	22,564	34,806	2,527	37,333

## **Group Balance Sheet**

		At 31/03/18	At 31/03/17
	Note	£'000	£'000
Property, Plant & Equipment	G5	57,291	52,922
Heritage Assets	G6	2,476	2,483
Investment Property	20	23,457	22,222
Intangible Assets	-	9	24
Long-term Investments	23	1,646	2,308
Investments in Associates & Joint Ventures		0	0
Long-term Debtors	-	35	36
Long-term Assets		84,914	79,995
Short-term Investments	23	0	0
Inventory	-	84	26
Short-term Debtors	24	4,726	5,298
Payments in Advance	24	1,093	1,513
Cash and Cash Equivalents	25	7,139	8,077
Assets held for sale	-	0	0
Current Assets		13,042	14,914
Bank Overdraft	25	(1,805)	(1,860)
Short-term Borrowing	-	(581)	(497)
Short-term Creditors	27	(3,822)	(4,366)
Receipts in Advance	28	(1,209)	(1,547)
Provisions	29	(1,016)	(760)
Current Liabilities		(8,433)	(9,030)
Long-term Creditors & Receipts in Advance	-	(290)	(332)
Provisions	29	(311)	(55)
Long-term Borrowing	26	(15,067)	(13,380)
Deferred Credits	-	(70)	(70)
Defined Benefit Pension Scheme	30	(28,802)	(34,709)
Long-term Liabilities		(44,540)	(48,546)
Net Assets		44,983	37,333
Usable Reserves	G4	10,189	12,209
Unusable Reserves	G4	34,794	25,124
Total Reserves		44,983	37,333

## **Group Cash Flow Statement**

		2017/18	2016/17
	Note	£'000	£'000
Net surplus or (deficit) on the provision of services	-	(2,629)	(2,932)
Adjustment to surplus or (deficit) on the provision of services for non-cash movements	G7	1,113	5,235
Adjust for items included in the net surplus or deficit on the provision of services that are investing and financing activities	G7	(74)	(380)
Net cash flows from Operating Activities		(1,590)	1,923
Net cash flows from Investing Activities	33	(804)	(2,543)
Net cash flows from Financing Activities	34	1,511	(553)
Net increase or (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		(883)	(1,173)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period	25	6,217	7,390
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period	25	5,334	6,217

## **Notes to the Group Accounts**

## **G1.** Expenditure and Funding Analysis

		2017/18		2	016/17 (as restate	ed)
	Net Expenditure chargeable to General Fund (GF) Balances	Adjustments between the Funding and Accounting Basis	Net Expenditure in Comprehensive Income & Expenditure Statement	Net Expenditure chargeable to General Fund (GF) Balances	Adjustments between the Funding and Accounting Basis	Net Expenditure in Comprehensive Income & Expenditure Statement
	(statutory basis)	Note G2a	(accounting basis)	(statutory basis)	Note G2a	(accounting basis)
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Corporate Resources	5,456	(2,415)	3,041	4,065	(1,255)	2,810
Economic Growth	(771)	2,021	1,250	(347)	1,738	1,391
Housing, Health & Wellbeing	1,062	648	1,710	281	(586)	(305)
Leader of the Council	1,294	90	1,384	712	39	751
Localities & Environmental Quality	3,442	661	4,103	3,007	1,843	4,850
Governance & People Resources	1,793	(71)	1,722	1,322	(99)	1,223
Tourism & Culture	343	71	414	114	91	205
Transformation	1,830	323	2,153	2,095	125	2,220
Net Cost of Services	14,449	1,328	15,777	11,249	1,896	13,145
Other Operating Expenditure	1,914	354	2,268	1,797	4,145	5,942
Financing and Investment Income and Expenditure	0	(145)	(145)	0	(1,004)	(1,004)
Capital expenditure financed from GF balances	264	(264)	0	497	(497)	0
Taxation & non-ringfenced grants	(15,051)	(220)	(15,271)	(15,198)	47	(15,151)
Other Income and Expenditure	(12,873)	(275)	(13,148)	(12,904)	2,691	(10,213)
(Surplus) or Deficit on the General Fund	1,576	1,053	2,629	(1,655)	4,587	2,932
Opening General Fund Balance	10,301			8,646		
Surplus or (Deficit) on General Fund in Year	(1,576)			1,655		
Closing General Fund Balance at 31 March	8,725			10,301		

## G1(a) Adjustments between the Funding and Accounting Basis

		Statutory A	ccounting Ad	justments	E 7.	
2017/18	Reallocation of Other Income & Expenditure	Adjustments for Capital Purposes	Net change for Pensions Adjustments	Other Differences	Consolidation Adjustments¹	Total
	(Note 6.1 b) <b>£000</b>	(Note 6.1c) <b>£000</b>	(Note 6.1d) <b>£000</b>	(Note 6.1e) <b>£000</b>	£000	£000
Corporate Resources	(1,629)	(127)	(662)	3	0	(2,415)
Economic Growth	1,687	167	169	(2)	0	2,021
Housing, Health & Wellbeing	4	492	151	1	0	648
Leader of the Council	0	0	84	6	0	90
Localities & Environmental Quality	0	532	127	2	0	661
Regulatory Services	0	0	(82)	11	0	(71)
Tourism & Culture	0	29	3	(2)	41	71
Transformation	0	20	312	(9)	0	323
Net Cost of Services	62	1,113	102	10	41	1,328
Other Operating Expenditure	244	110	0	0	0	354
Financing and Investment Income and Expenditure	(295)	(666)	789	27	0	(145)
Capital expenditure charged to General Fund Balances	(11)	(253)	0	0	0	(264)
Taxation & non-ringfenced grants	0	0	0	(220)	0	(220)
Other income and expenditure from Expenditure and Funding Analysis	(62)	(809)	789	(193)	0	(275)
Difference between GF surplus or deficit and CIES Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services	0	304	891	(183)	41	1,053

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Consolidation of subsidiaries and joint ventures in accordance with accounting policies set out in section 6.

		Statutory A	ccounting Adj	justments	s,	
2016/17	Reallocation of Other Income & Expenditure	Adjustments for Capital Purposes (Note 6.1c)	Net change for Pensions Adjustments (Note 6.1d)	Other Differences (Note 6.1e)	Consolidation Adjustments <sup>1</sup>	Total
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Corporate Resources	(630)	183	(799)	(9)	0	(1,255)
Economic Growth	1,488	179	76	(5)	0	1,738
Housing, Health & Wellbeing	4	(672)	89	(7)	0	(586)
Leader of the Council	0	0	38	1	0	39
Localities & Environmental Quality	0	1,812	32	(1)	0	1,843
Regulatory Services	0	0	(92)	(7)	0	(99)
Tourism & Culture	0	29	17	3	42	91
Transformation	0	0	129	(4)	0	125
Net Cost of Services	862	1,531	(510)	(29)	42	1,896
Other Operating Expenditure	244	3,921	0	0	0	4,145
Financing and Investment Income and Expenditure	(1,019)	(945)	934	26	0	(1,004)
Capital expenditure charged to General Fund Balances	(67)	(430)	0	0	0	(497)
Taxation & non-ringfenced grants	0	(90)	0	137	0	47
Other income and expenditure from Expenditure and Funding Analysis	(862)	2,456	934	163	0	2,691
Difference between GF surplus or deficit and CIES Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services	0	3,987	424	134	42	4,587

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Consolidation of subsidiaries and joint ventures in accordance with accounting policies set out in section 6

## **G2.** Expenditure and Income analysed by Nature

	2017/18	2016/17
	£'000	£'000
Fees, charges & other service income	(8,289)	(8,567)
Interest & investment income (interest receivable)	(211)	(304)
Income and expenditure relating to investment properties	(1,687)	(1,488)
Income from council tax & business rates	(10,805)	(10,628)
Grants, contributions and donations	(31,544)	(36,310)
Change in fair value of investment properties	(666)	(945)
Total Income	(53,202)	(58,242)
Employee expenses	9,069	8,270
Other service expenses	40,758	42,615
Depreciation, amortisation, impairment and revaluation	1,317	2,614
Interest payments	1,630	799
Net interest on defined benefit pension liability	789	934
Precepts & levies	1,914	1,797
Gain or loss on disposal of non-current assets	354	4,145
Total operating expenses	55,831	61,174
(Surplus) or deficit on the provision of services	2,629	2,932

## G3. Adjustments between Group Accounts and Authority Only Accounts

	2017/18	2016/17
	£'000	£'000
Elimination of intra group transactions	118	147
Elimination of Authority's share of gains/losses on disposal of non- current assets to joint venture	0	0
	118	147

## **G4.** Group Reserves

Group reserves comprise the Authority's share of the reserves of subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures.

	31/3/18 £'000	31/3/17 £'000
Usable Reserves		
Usable Reserves – Authority only statements (note 16)	10,221	12,242
Designated Funds of Keswick Museum & Art Gallery	25	25
Designated Funds of Helena Thompson Museum	13	12
Unrealised gains on disposal of non-current assets to joint venture	(70)	(70)
	10,189	12,209
Unusable Reserves		
Unusable Reserves – Authority Only Statements (note 17)	32,276	22,564
Designated Reserves of Keswick Museum & Art Gallery	1,109	1,109
Designated Reserves of Helena Thompson Museum	1,409	1,451
	34,794	25,124

## G5. Property, Plant and Equipment

2017/18	Other Land & Buildings £'000	Equipment & Vehicles	Infra- structure £'000	Community Assets £'000	Assets under Constr'n £'000	Total £'000
Cost or Valuation	2.000	2.000	£ 000	2.000	2,000	£ 000
At 1 April 2017	42,272	1,271	16,916	1,975	410	62,844
Additions	701	262	14	0	105	1,082
Revaluation increases/(decreases) recognised in the Revaluation Reserve	3,670	0	0	0	0	3,670
Revaluation increases/(decreases) recognised in the Surplus/Deficit on the Provision of Services	460	0	0	0	0	460
Derecognition - disposals	(184)	(27)	0	0	0	(211)
Transfers	88	(185)	0	0	(376)	(473)
At 31 March 2018	47,007	1,321	16,930	1,975	139	67,372
Accumulated Depreciation and Impairment						
At 1 April 2017	(1,792)	(772)	(7,358)	0	0	(9,922)
Depreciation Charge	(1,102)	(65)	(588)	0	0	(1,755)
Depreciation written out to the Revaluation Reserve	1,558	0	0	0	0	1,558
Derecognition - disposals	27	0	0	0	0	27
Transfers	11	0	0	0	0	11
At 31 March 2018	(1,298)	(837)	(7,946)	0	0	(10,081)
Net Book Value at 31 March 2018	45,709	484	8,984	1,975	139	57,291
Net Book Value at 31 March 2017	40,480	499	9,558	1,975	410	52,922

Nature of asset holding						
Owned (Freehold)	45,709	484	8,984	1,975	139	57,291

2016/17	Other Land & Buildings £'000	Equipment & Vehicles	Infra- structure £'000	Community Assets £'000	Assets under Constr'n £'000	Total £'000
Cost or Valuation						
At 1 April 2016	36,052	859	16,788	2,015	9,694	65,408
Additions	0	412	128	0	1,765	2,305
Revaluation increases/(decreases) recognised in the Revaluation Reserve	61	0	0	0	0	61
Revaluation increases/(decreases) recognised in the Surplus/Deficit on the Provision of Services	(33)	0	0	0	0	(33)
Derecognition - disposals	(4,433)	(424)	0	(40)	0	(4,897)
Transfers	10,625	424	0	0	(11,049)	0
At 31 March 2017	42,272	1,271	16,916	1,975	410	62,844
Accumulated Depreciation and Impairment						
At 1 April 2016	(1,383)	(754)	(6,769)	0	0	(8,906)
Depreciation Charge	(1,946)	(18)	(589)	0	0	(2,553)
Depreciation written out to the Revaluation Reserve	610	0	0	0	0	610
Derecognition - disposals	927	0	0	0	0	927
At 31 March 2017	(1,792)	(772)	(7,358)	0	0	(9,922)
Net Book Value at 31 March 2017	40,480	499	9,558	1,975	410	52,922
Net Book Value at 31 March 2016	34,669	105	10,019	2,015	9,694	56,502
Nature of asset holding Owned (Freehold)	40,480	499	9,558	1,975	410	52,922

#### **G5.1 Revaluations**

The Authority carries out a rolling programme of revaluations to ensure that Property, Plant and Equipment assets required to be measured at current value are:

- · revalued at intervals of not more than five years
- reported in the balance sheet at a carrying amount that does not differ materially from that which would be determined using the asset's current value at the balance sheet date.

Valuations of land and buildings are carried out in accordance with the methodologies and bases for estimation set out in the professional standards of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors.

Valuations summarised in the following tables were undertaken in-house or by external valuers, NPS North West Limited and Walton Goodland in accordance with guidance provided by the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy and the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors Valuation – Professional Standards (the 'Red Book').

Vehicles, plant, furniture and equipment that have short useful lives or low values (or both) are measured at depreciated historical cost as a proxy for fair value.

At 31 March 2018	Other Land & Buildings £'000	Equipment & Vehicles £'000	Infra- structure Assets £'000	Community Assets £'000	Assets under Constr'n £'000	Total £'000
Carried at historical cost	0	1,321	16,930	1,975	139	20,365
Valued at current value at:						
31 March 2018	36,405					36,405
31 March 2017	3,156					3,156
31 March 2016	0					0
31 March 2015	536					536
31 March 2014	6,910					6,910
Total Cost or Valuation	47,007	1,321	16,930	1,975	139	67,372

At 31 March 2017	Other Land & Buildings £'000	Equipment & Vehicles £'000	Infra- structure Assets £'000	Community Assets £'000	Assets under Constr'n £'000	Total £'000
Carried at historical cost	0	1,271	16,916	1,975	410	20,572
Valued at current value at:						
31 March 2017	14,282					14,282
31 March 2016	6,818					6,818
31 March 2015	14,072					14,072
31 March 2014	7,100					7,100
31 March 2013	0					0
Total Cost or Valuation	42,272	1,271	16,916	1,975	410	62,844

## **G6.** Heritage Assets

## **G6.1** Reconciliation of the carrying value of Heritage Assets held by the group:

	At cost	At Valu	ation	Tangible	Intangible	
2017/18	Historical Sites & Monuments £'000	Museum Collections £'000	Civic Regalia £'000	Heritage Assets £'000	Heritage Assets £'000	Total £'000
Cost or Valuation						
At 1 April 2017	590	1,863	80	2,533	31	2,564
Additions – purchased	0	0	0	0	0	0
Additions – donated	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revaluation increases/ (decreases) recognised in the Revaluation Reserve	0	0	0	0	0	0
At 31 March 2018	590	1,863	80	2,533	31	2,564
Accumulated depreciation & impairment						
At 1 April 2017	(50)	0	0	(50)	(31)	(81)
Depreciation charge	(7)	0	0	(7)	0	(7)
At 31 March 2018	(57)	0	0	(57)	(31)	(88)
Net book value at 31 March 2018	533	1,863	80	2,476	0	2,476
Nature of asset holding						
Owned (Freehold)	533	1,863	80	2,476	0	2,476

	At cost	At Valu	ation	Tangible	Intangible	
2016/17	Historical Sites & Monuments £'000	Museum Collections £'000	Civic Regalia £'000	Heritage Assets £'000	Heritage Assets £'000	Total £'000
Cost or Valuation						
At 1 April 2016	571	1,760	80	2,411	31	2,442
Additions – purchased	19	0	0	19	0	19
Additions – donated	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revaluation increases/ (decreases) recognised in the Revaluation Reserve	0	103	0	103	0	103
At 31 March 2017	590	1,863	80	2,533	31	2,564
Accumulated depreciation & impairment						
At 1 April 2016	(43)	0	0	(43)	(31)	(74)
Depreciation charge	(7)	0	0	(7)	0	(7)
At 31 March 2017	(50)	0	0	(50)	(31)	(81)
Net book value at 31 March 2017	540	1,863	80	2,483	0	2,483
Nature of asset holding						
Owned (Freehold)	540	1,863	80	2,483	0	2,483

#### **G6.2** Description of the Council's Collection of Heritage Assets

In addition to the museum collections included in the Authority only accounts, heritage assets reported in the Group Accounts include the collections held at the Keswick Museum and Art Gallery and Helena Thompson Museum. These include collections of fine and decorative art, antique furniture, clocks and collectables, documents, maps and literary material primarily associated with the Lakes poets and writers, as well as various social and natural history, geological and archaeological collections. The Keswick Museum collections are managed on behalf of the Authority by Keswick Museum and Art Gallery Management Limited (registered charity number 1156330). The Helena Thompson collection is managed by the Workington Heritage Group Limited (registered charity number 1127084).

Museum collections are reported in the Group Balance Sheet at an insurance valuation based on open market replacement cost for items of a comparable nature, age and condition. The latest full valuation was undertaken in March 2017 by external valuers - Mitchells Antiques & Fine Art Auctioneers and Valuers. Values were assigned to all individual items within the collection with an expected replacement cost in excess of £1,000 that were on display, or accessible in store at the time of the re-valuation. Items with an expected replacement cost of less than £1,000 were reappraised by reference to previous inventories and valuations, accession books, MODES records and information provided by museum staff. These items are categorised by the valuer as 'Unspecified Accessions'. Valuations are reviewed and updated annually to ensure that they remain current.

The collections included in the group balance sheet can be summarised as follows:

Description	31/3/18	31/3/17
Description	£000	£000
Fine Art/Decorative Art	400	400
Antique furniture, clocks and collectables including ceramics and glass	194	194
Silver and Plate	83	83
Social History	448	448
Literature	210	210
Miscellaneous Artefacts	104	104
Unspecified Accessions	424	424
Total	1,863	1,863

## **G7.** Cash Flow Statement – Operating Activities

Reconciliation of Net Surplus or (Deficit) on the Provision of Services to the Net Cash Flow from operating activities

	2017/18 £'000	2016/17 £'000
Net Surplus or (Deficit) on the Provision of Services	(2,629)	(2,932)
Adjust net surplus or deficit on the provision of services for non-cash movements		
Depreciation	1,762	2,560
Amortisation	15	19
Impairment and downward valuations	(460)	33
Increase/(Decrease) in Interest Creditors	0	4
Increase/(Decrease) in Creditors	(701)	(402)
(Increase)/Decrease in Interest and Dividend Debtors	(175)	(246)
(Increase)/Decrease in Debtors	719	(287)
(Increase)/Decrease in Inventories	(58)	10
Movement in Pension Liability	(856)	424
Contributions to/(from) Provisions	512	(138)
Carrying amount of non-current assets and non-current assets held for sale, sold or derecognised	184	4,212
Movement in investment property values	(666)	(945)
Gains/losses on derecognition of loans & advances in year	837	0
Other non-cash movements	0	(9)
	1,113	5,235
Adjust for items included in the net surplus or deficit on the provision of services that are investing or financing activities		
Capital Grants credited to surplus or deficit on the provision of services	0	(90)
Proceeds from the sale of property plant and equipment, investment property and intangible assets	(74)	(290)
	(74)	(380)
Net Cash Flows from Operating Activities	(1,590)	1,923

#### **G8.** Interests in subsidiaries

Entities accounted for as subsidiaries comprise the Authority's interests in Keswick Museum and Art Gallery and Helena Thompson Museum.

#### **Keswick Museum and Art Gallery**

The Authority is the sole trustee and parent body of Keswick Museum and Art Gallery, an unincorporated charitable trust established under a charity scheme dated 11 January 1995. The objects of the Trust are to provide and maintain a public museum to advance education. Under the scheme, property of the trust (comprising the museum building situated at Station Road, Keswick and the museum's collections and exhibits) is vested in Allerdale Borough Council (as sole trustee). The Trust does not maintain its own bank account and each year the Authority subsidises the Trust to the extent of the excess of its expenditure over its income.

Further information including summarised financial information is set out in note 39 to the Authority Only Accounts.

Income and property of the trust are subject to the restrictions imposed by the Trust's governing document and Charity Law and may only be applied to further the objects of the trust. Income of the Trust may only be applied for the purposes set out in the sealed charity scheme dated 11 January 1995 including meeting:

- the costs of maintaining the property of the museum (including the repair and insurance of any buildings thereon)
- all other charges and outgoings payable in respect of the museum
- costs, charges and expenses of, and incidental to, the administration and management of the museum.

The Authority is not permitted to apply income of the charity directly in relief of rates, taxes or other public funds.

#### **Helena Thompson Museum**

The Authority is also the sole trustee and parent body of the Helena Thompson Museum Trust an unincorporated charitable trust established under the will of the late Helena Agnes Mary Thompson. The objects of the Trust are to provide and maintain a public museum.

Property of the Trust (comprising the museum buildings and grounds and the museum's collections and exhibits) is vested in Allerdale Borough Council (as sole trustee) and held on charitable trust for use as a museum in accordance with the provisions of the will.

Each year the Authority subsidises the Trust to the extent of the excess of its expenditure over its income. The Trust holds no general unrestricted funds and all transactions of the Trust are recorded in the Authority's accounting records. The Trust does not maintain its own bank account.

Income and property of the Trust are subject to the restrictions imposed by the Trust's governing document and Charity Law and may only be applied to further the objects of the trust.

Further information including summarised financial information is set out in note 39 to the Authority Only Accounts.

### **G9.** Interests in joint arrangements and associates

The Authority has a 50% interest in Allerdale Investment Partnership LLP a joint venture partnership with Lucent Allerdale Partnership SARL. The joint venture was established to enhance the value of the Authority's surplus land and stimulate economic growth across the Borough. Allerdale Investment Partnership LLP was incorporated in the United Kingdom on 7th April 2014.

In the group accounts the Authority's interest in Allerdale Investment Partnership LLP is accounted for as a joint venture using the equity method.

Summarised financial information about the joint venture, based on its IFRS financial statements and a reconciliation of this information to the carrying amount of the investment in the group accounts are set out below:

	31/3/18 £000	31/3/17 £000
Non-current assets	0	0
Current assets <sup>1</sup>	2,767	3,137
Current liabilities <sup>2</sup>	(113)	(260)
Non-current liabilities <sup>3</sup>	(3,269)	(4,592)
Net Assets	(615)	(1,715)
Included in the above amounts are: <sup>1</sup> Current assets - Cash and cash equivalents <sup>2</sup> Current financial liabilities (excluding trade & other payables and	525	852
provisions)	0	0
<sup>3</sup> Non-current financial liabilities (excluding trade payables and other payables and provisions) - long term borrowing	(3,269)	(4,592)

	2017/18 £000	2016/17 £000
Revenue	0	0
Profit or (loss) from continuing operations <sup>1</sup>	1,100	(626)
Post tax profit or (loss) from discontinued operations	0	0
Other comprehensive income for the year	0	0
Total comprehensive income for the year	1,100	(626)
<sup>1</sup> Included in the above amounts are: Depreciation and amortisation Interest income Interest expense Gain arising on modification of the terms of members loans Corporation tax expense (income)	0 0 (351) 1,674 0	0 0 (492) 0 0
Authority's (& Group's) share of profit/(loss) for the year Dividends received by group from joint venture	550 0	(313) 0

## Reconciliation of the above summarised financial information to the carrying amount of the interest in the joint venture recognised in the group accounts

	31/3/18 £000	31/3/17 £000
Net assets (liabilities) of the joint venture	(615)	(1,715)
Proportion of the Authority's ownership interest in the joint venture	50%	50%
Goodwill	0	0
Authority's share of net assets/(liabilities)	(307)	(858)
Elimination of unrealised profits on downstream transactions	(70)	(70)
	(377)	(928)
Deferred credit balance relating to unrealised profits on downstream transactions	70	70
Unrecognised share of losses of a joint venture or associate	307	858
Carrying amount of the Authority's interest in the joint venture	0	0

#### **G9.1** Unrecognised share of losses of a joint venture

Under the equity method when the Authority's share of losses of an associate or joint venture exceeds its interest in that associate or joint venture (which includes any long-term interests that, in substance, form part of the Authority's net investment in the associate or joint venture), it discontinues recognising its share of further losses. Additional losses are recognised only to the extent that the Authority has incurred legal or constructive obligations or made payments on behalf of the associate or joint venture.

	2017/18 £000	2016/17 £000
Unrecognised share of losses (gains) of joint venture - Allerdale Investment Partnership LLP - for the year	(550)	313

	31/3/18 £000	31/3/17 £000
Cumulative unrecognised share of losses of joint venture - Allerdale Investment Partnership LLP	307	858

Profits in Allerdale Investment Partnership LLP cannot be distributed without the consent of the two venture partners.

At 31 March 2018 there were no contingent liabilities or capital commitments related to the group's investment in the joint venture. (31 March 2017: Nil).

## Accounting policies applied to the single entity (authority only) & group financial statements

### 1. Accruals of Income and Expenditure

Activity is accounted for in the year that it takes place, not simply when cash payments are made or received. In particular:

- Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised when the Authority transfers the significant risks and rewards of ownership to the purchaser and it is probable that economic benefits or service potential associated with the transaction will flow to the Authority
- Revenue from the provision of services is recognised when the Authority can
  measure reliably the percentage of completion of the transaction and it is
  probable that economic benefits or service potential associated with the
  transaction will flow to the Authority
- Supplies are recorded as expenditure when they are consumed; when there is a delay between the date supplies are received and their consumption, they are carried as inventories on the Balance Sheet
- Expenses in relation to services received (including services provided by employees) are recorded as expenditure when the services are received rather than when payments are made
- Interest receivable on investments and payable on borrowings is accounted for respectively as income and expenditure on the basis of the effective interest rate for the relevant financial instrument rather than the cash flows fixed or determined by the contract
- Where revenue and expenditure have been recognised but cash has not been received or paid, a debtor or creditor for the relevant amount is recorded in the Balance Sheet. Where circumstances indicate that debts may not be settled, the balance of debtors is written down and a charge made to revenue for the income that might not be collected.

## 2. Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash is represented by cash in hand and deposits with financial institutions repayable without penalty on notice of not more than 24 hours. Cash equivalents are short-term, highly liquid investments, with maturities of three months or less (from the date of acquisition), that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to insignificant risk of changes of value. In the Cash Flow Statement, cash and cash equivalents are shown net of bank overdrafts that are repayable on demand and form an integral part of the Authority's cash management.

## 3. Prior Period Adjustments, Changes in Accounting Policies and Estimates and Errors

Prior period adjustments may arise as a result of a change in accounting policies or to correct a material error. Changes in accounting estimates are accounted for prospectively, i.e. in the current and future years affected by the change and do not give rise to a prior period adjustment.

Changes in accounting policies are only made when required by proper accounting practices, or the change provides more reliable or relevant information about the effect

of transactions, other events and conditions on the Authority's financial position or financial performance.

Where a change is made, it is applied retrospectively (unless otherwise stated) by adjusting opening balances and comparative amounts for the prior periods as if the new policy had always been applied.

Material errors discovered in prior period figures are corrected retrospectively by amending opening balances and comparative amounts for the prior period.

### 4. Charges to Revenue for Non-Current Assets

Services, support services and trading accounts are charged with the following amounts to record the cost of holding non-current assets during the year:

- depreciation attributable to the assets used by the relevant service
- revaluation and impairment losses on assets used by the service where there are no accumulated gains in the Revaluation Reserve against which they can be written off
- amortisation of intangible assets attributable to the service.

The Authority is not required to raise council tax to fund depreciation, revaluation or impairment losses or amortisation. It is however required to make an annual contribution from revenue towards the reduction in its overall borrowing requirement. This contribution is known as the Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP) and is calculated on a prudent basis in accordance with statutory guidance. Depreciation, amortisation and revaluation and impairment losses are therefore replaced by the MRP in the General Fund Balance, by way of an adjusting transaction with the Capital Adjustment Account in the Movement in Reserves Statement for the difference between the two.

#### 5. Council Tax and Non-Domestic Rates

Billing authorities act as agents, collecting council tax and non-domestic rates (NDR) on behalf of the major preceptors (including government for NDR) and as principals, collecting council tax and NDR for themselves. Billing authorities are required by statute to maintain a separate fund (the Collection Fund) for the collection and distribution of amounts due in respect of council tax and NDR. Under the legislative framework for the Collection Fund, billing authorities, major preceptors and central government share proportionately the risks and rewards that the amount of council tax and NDR collected could be less or more than predicted.

#### **Accounting for Council Tax and NDR**

The council tax and Non-Domestic Rates (NDR) income included in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement is the authority's share of accrued income for the year. However, regulations determine the amount of council tax and NDR that must be included in the Authority's General Fund. Therefore, the difference between the income included in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement and the amount required by regulation to be credited to the General Fund is taken to the Collection Fund Adjustment Account and included as a reconciling item in the Movement in Reserves Statement.

The Balance Sheet includes the Authority's share of the end of year balances in respect of council tax and NDR relating to arrears, impairment allowances for doubtful debts, overpayments and prepayments and appeals.

### 6. Employee Benefits

#### **Benefits Payable During Employment**

Short-term employee benefits are those expected to be settled wholly within 12 months of the end of the annual reporting period in which the employees render the related service. Short-term employee benefits include wages and salaries, paid annual leave and paid sick leave, bonuses and non-monetary benefits and are recognised as an expense in the year in which employees render service to the Authority.

An accrual is made for the cost of leave entitlement (or any form of paid absence leave, for example time off in lieu) earned by employees but not taken before the year-end which employees can carry forward into the next financial year. The accrual is made at the wage and salary rates applicable in the following accounting year, being the period in which the employee takes the benefit. The accrual is charged to Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services, but then reversed out through the Movement in Reserves Statement to the Accumulated Absences account so that the cost of paid absences is charged to the General Fund in the financial year in which the employee takes their entitlement or the Authority makes a cash settlement.

#### **Termination Benefits**

Termination benefits are amounts payable as a result of either:

- (i) the Authority's decision to terminate an employee's employment before the normal retirement date, or
- (ii) an employee's decision to accept an offer of benefits in exchange for the termination of employment (for example an officer's decision to accept voluntary redundancy).

Termination benefits are charged on an accruals basis to the appropriate service line in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement at the earlier of when the Authority can no longer withdraw the offer of those benefits or when the Authority recognises costs for a restructuring.

Where termination benefits involve the enhancement of pensions, statutory provisions require the General Fund Balance to be charged with the amount payable by the Authority to the pension fund or pensioner in the year, not the amount calculated according to the relevant accounting standards. In the Movement in Reserves Statement, appropriations are required to and from the Pensions Reserve to remove the notional debits and credits for pension enhancement termination benefits and replace them with debits for the cash paid to the pension fund and pensioners and any such amounts payable but unpaid at the year-end.

#### **Post-Employment Benefits**

Employees of the Authority are members of the Cumbria Local Government Pension Scheme administered by Cumbria County Council. The scheme provides defined benefits to members (retirement lump sums and pensions) earned as employees work for the Authority. The scheme is accounted for as a defined benefit scheme:

The liabilities of the Cumbria Local Government Pension Scheme attributable to the Authority are included in the Balance Sheet on an actuarial basis using the projected

unit method, i.e. an assessment of the future payments that will be made in relation to retirement benefits earned to date by employees, based on demographic assumptions such as mortality rates and employee turnover rates and financial assumptions such as projections of future earnings for current employees. Actuarial valuations are carried out at the end of each annual reporting period.

Liabilities are discounted to their value at current prices, using a discount rate determined by reference to market yields at the end of the reporting period on high quality corporate bonds.

The assets of the Cumbria Local Government Pension Scheme attributable to the Authority are included in the Balance Sheet at their fair value:

- quoted securities current bid price
- unquoted securities professional estimate
- unitised securities current bid price
- property fair value in accordance with the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors' Valuation - Professional Standards.

The change in the net pension liability is analysed into the following defined benefit cost components:

- current service cost the increase in the present value of a defined benefit obligation resulting from employee service in the current period
- past service cost the change in the present value of the defined benefit obligation for employee service in prior periods, resulting from a plan amendment (the introduction or withdrawal of, or changes to, a defined benefit plan) or a curtailment (a significant reduction by the Authority in the number of employees covered by a plan)
- net interest on the net defined benefit liability (asset), i.e. net interest expense for the authority the change during the period in the net defined benefit liability (asset) that arises from the passage of time. The net interest expense is calculated by multiplying the net defined benefit liability (asset) at the beginning of the reporting period, by the discount rate used to measure the defined benefit obligation determined at the start of the reporting period, taking into account any changes in the net defined benefit liability (asset) during the period as a result of contribution and benefit payments. Interest cost on the current service cost is included in the current service cost component.
- remeasurements comprising:
  - actuarial gains and losses changes in the net pensions liability that arise because events have not coincided with assumptions made at the last actuarial valuation or because the actuaries have updated their assumptions, and
  - the return on plan assets excluding amounts included in net interest on the net defined benefit liability (asset)

Current service costs are allocated in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement to the services for which the employees worked.

Past service costs are charged to the Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement as part of the Corporate Resources portfolio.

The net interest expense (or income) is included in the Financing and Investment Income and Expenditure line in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement.

Remeasurements are charged to the Pensions Reserve as Other Comprehensive Income and expenditure.

Employers contributions paid to the Cumbria Local Government Pensions Scheme in settlement of liabilities are not accounted for as an expense.

In relation to retirement benefits, statutory provisions require the General Fund Balance to be charged with the amount payable by the Authority to the pension fund or directly to pensioners in the reporting period, not the amount calculated according to the relevant accounting standards. In the Movement in Reserves Statement, this means that there are transfers to and from the Pensions Reserve to remove the notional debits and credits for retirement benefits and replace them with debits for the cash paid to the pension fund and pensioners and any such amounts payable but unpaid at the year-end.

The negative balance that arises on the Pensions Reserve thereby measures the beneficial impact to the General Fund of being required to account for retirement benefits, on the basis of retirement benefits payments and contributions payable to the Cumbria Local Government Pension Scheme for the reporting period in accordance with the statutory requirements governing the scheme, rather than as benefits earned by employees.

#### **Discretionary Benefits**

The Authority has restricted powers to make discretionary awards of retirement benefits in the event of early retirements. Discretionary post-retirement benefits on early retirement are an unfunded defined benefit. Any liabilities estimated to arise as a result of an award to any member of staff are accrued in the year of the decision to make the award and accounted for using the same policies as are applied to the Local Government Pension Scheme.

#### 7. Events after the Balance Sheet Date

Events after the Balance Sheet date are those events, both favourable and unfavourable, that occur between the end of the reporting period and the date when the Statement of Accounts is authorised for issue.

Two types of events can be identified:

- (i) those that provide evidence of conditions that existed at the end of the reporting period the Statement of Accounts is adjusted to reflect such events
- (ii) those that are indicative of conditions that arose after the reporting period the Statement of Accounts is not adjusted to reflect such events, but where a category of events would have a material effect, disclosure is made in the notes of the nature of the events and their estimated financial effect.

Events taking place after the date of authorisation for issue are not reflected in the Statement of Accounts.

#### 8. Financial Instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised on the Balance sheet when the Authority becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument.

Financial assets are derecognised when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire, or when the financial asset and all substantial risks and rewards of ownership are transferred. A financial liability is derecognised when it is extinguished, discharged, cancelled or expires.

Financial assets and financial liabilities are measured initially at fair value plus directly attributable transactions costs, except for financial assets and financial liabilities carried at fair value through profit or loss, which are measured initially at fair value and transaction costs expensed. Immaterial transaction costs on initial recognition are written off immediately to Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of services.

Financial assets and financial liabilities are measured subsequently as described below.

#### Financial liabilities

The Authority's financial liabilities include borrowings, trade and other payables.

Financial liabilities are measured subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method, except for financial liabilities held for trading that are carried subsequently at fair value with gains or losses recognised in the Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services.

Annual charges to the Financing and Investment Income and Expenditure line in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement for interest payable are based on the carrying amount of the liability, multiplied by the effective rate of interest for the instrument. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments over the life of the instrument to the amount at which it was originally recognised.

For most of the borrowings the Authority has, this means that the amount presented in the Balance Sheet is the outstanding principal repayable (plus accrued interest) and the interest charged to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement, the amount payable for the year according to the loan agreement.

Short duration payables, such as trade payables, with no stated interest rate are measured at their original invoice amount.

Gains and losses on the repurchase or early settlement of borrowing are credited and debited to the Financing and Investment Income and Expenditure line in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement in the year of repurchase or settlement. However, where repurchase has taken place as part of a restructuring of the loan portfolio that involves the modification or exchange of existing instruments, the premium or discount is respectively deducted from, or added to, the amortised cost of the new or modified loan and the write-down to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement spread over the life of the loan by an adjustment to the effective interest rate.

Where premiums and discounts have been charged to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement, regulations allow the impact on the General Fund Balance to be spread over future years. The difference between the amount charged or credited to the General Fund and the amount charged or credited to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement is reconciled by a transfer to the Financial Instruments Adjustment Account (FIAA) within the Movement in Reserves Statement.

#### **Financial Assets**

For the purpose of subsequent measurement, financial assets are classified into the following categories upon initial recognition:

- Loans and receivables non derivative financial assets that have fixed or determinable payments but are not quoted in an active market
- Available-for-sale assets non derivative financial assets that have a quoted market price and/or do not have fixed or determinable payments.

The Authority does not hold any financial assets classified as fair value through profit or loss.

All financial assets are subject to review for impairment at each balance sheet date. Financial assets or a group of financial assets are impaired only if there is objective evidence of impairment as a result of one or more events occurring after initial recognition of the financial asset.

Events that provide objective evidence of impairment include:

- significant financial difficulty of the issuer or counterparty;
- · default or delinquency in interest or principal payments; or
- the probability of the counterparty entering bankruptcy or other financial reorganisation.

#### **Loans and Receivables**

After initial recognition, financial instruments classified as Loans and Receivables are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. Discounting is omitted where the effect of discounting is immaterial. The Authority's cash and cash equivalents (excluding money market funds), trade and most other receivables fall into this category of financial instrument.

Credits made to the Financing and Investment Income and Expenditure line in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement for interest receivable are based on the carrying amount of the asset multiplied by the effective rate of interest for the instrument.

For most loans made by the Authority, this means that the amount presented in the Balance Sheet is the outstanding principal receivable (plus accrued interest) and interest credited to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement is the amount receivable for the year in the loan agreement.

Short duration receivables, such as trade receivables, with no stated interest rate are measured at their original invoice amount less any allowance for any doubtful debts.

Individually significant receivables are considered for impairment when they are past due or when other objective evidence is received that a specific counterparty will default. Receivables that are not individually significant or which are not considered to be individually impaired are reviewed collectively for impairment in groups, determined by reference to shared credit risk characteristics.

Where assets are identified as impaired because of a likelihood arising from a past event that payments due under the contract will not be made, the carrying amount of the financial asset is reduced by the impairment loss and a charge made to the relevant service (for receivables specific to that service) or the Financing and Investment Income and Expenditure line in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement. The impairment loss is measured as the difference between the carrying amount and the

present value of the revised future cash flows discounted at the asset's original effective interest rate.

Where there is an impairment loss, interest income over the remaining term of the instrument is recognised by applying the original effective interest rate to the revised balance.

The Authority uses an allowance account to reduce the carrying amount of trade and other receivables that are considered to be impaired (or in the case of a reversal of a write-down, an increase). When a trade receivable is considered uncollectible it is written off against the allowance account. Any difference between the amount written off and the impairment loss previously included in the allowance account is recognised in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement.

Subsequent reversals of a write-down or recoveries of amounts previously written-off are credited against the allowance account. Changes in the carrying amount of the allowance account are recognised in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement.

Gains and losses that arise on the derecognition of an asset are credited or debited to the Financing and Investment Income and Expenditure line in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement.

#### **Available-for-Sale Financial Assets**

After initial recognition, available-for-sale financial assets are measured at fair value. Gains and losses arising from a change in the fair value of an available-for- sale asset are recognised in Other Comprehensive Income and Expenditure and taken to the Available for Sale Reserve except for impairment losses, which are recognised in Financing and Investment Income and Expenditure line in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement.

Where the asset has fixed or determinable payments, annual credits to the Financing and Investment Income and Expenditure line in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement for interest receivable, are based on the amortised cost of the asset multiplied by the effective rate of interest for the instrument. Where there are no fixed or determinable payments (e.g. dividends), income is credited to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement when the right to receive payment is established.

If there is objective evidence of impairment of an available-for-sale financial asset, the assets carrying amount is written down to the current fair value and a charge made to the Financing and Investment Income and Expenditure line in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement.

When an available-for-sale financial asset is determined to be impaired, the cumulative net loss previously recognised in Other Comprehensive Income and Expenditure - (that is the difference between amortised acquisition cost and current fair value less any impairment loss previously recognised in the Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services) - is removed from the Available-for-Sale Reserve and recognised in the Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services.

Where there is an impairment loss, interest income over the remaining term of the instrument is recognised by applying the rate of interest used in calculating the estimated recoverable amount (i.e. a prevailing market rate for a fixed rate instrument and the current variable rate under the contract for a variable rate instrument).

Reversals of impairment losses are recognised in other comprehensive income, except for financial assets that are debt instruments, which are recognised in the surplus or deficit on the provision of services if the reversal can be objectively related to an event occurring after the impairment loss was recognised.

When an available-for-sale financial asset is derecognised, the cumulative gain or loss recognised in other comprehensive income is transferred from the Available-For-Sale reserve and recognised in Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services. The transfer is presented as a reclassification adjustment within Other Comprehensive Income and Expenditure.

#### Financial guarantees entered into before 1 April 2006

Financial guarantees entered into before 1 April 2006 are not required to be accounted for as financial instruments. These guarantees are instead reflected in the Statement of Accounts only to the extent that provisions might be required, or a contingent liability note is needed, under the policies set out in the section on Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets.

#### 9. Government Grants and Contributions

Whether paid on account, by instalments or in arrears, government grants and third party contributions and donations are recognised as due to the Authority when there is reasonable assurance that:

- the Authority will comply with the conditions attached to the payments, and
- the grant or contribution will be received.

Amounts recognised as due to the Authority are not credited to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement until conditions attached to the grant or contribution have been satisfied. Conditions are stipulations that specify that the future economic benefits or service potential embodied in the asset in the form of the grant or contribution are required to be consumed by the recipient as specified, or future economic benefits or service potential must be returned to the transferor.

Monies advanced as grants and contributions for which conditions have not been satisfied, are carried in the Balance sheet as creditors. When conditions are satisfied, the grant or contribution is credited to the relevant service line (attributable revenue grants and contributions) or Taxation and Non-Specific Grant Income and Expenditure (non-ringfenced revenue grants and all capital grants) in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement.

Where capital grants are credited to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement, they are reversed out of the General Fund Balance in the Movement in Reserves Statement. Where the grant has yet to be used to finance capital expenditure, it is posted to the Capital Grants Unapplied Reserve. Where it has been applied, it is posted to Capital Adjustment Account. Grants posted to the Capital Grants Unapplied Reserve are subsequently transferred to the Capital Adjustment Account when applied to fund capital expenditure.

## 10. Heritage Assets

#### Recognition

Tangible heritage assets are those assets with historical, artistic, scientific, technological, geophysical or environmental qualities that are held and maintained principally for their contribution to knowledge and culture. Intangible Heritage Assets are

those assets with cultural, environmental, or historical significance. Operational heritage assets (i.e. those that, in addition to being held for their heritage characteristics, are also used by the authority for other activities or to provide other services) are accounted for as operational assets, and valued in the same way as other assets of that type (for example property, plant and equipment – see section 17)

The Authority's heritage assets consist of:

- historical sites
- monuments and statues
- nature reserves
- · civic regalia
- museum collections.

#### Measurement

Heritage assets are recognised on the Authority's Balance Sheet where it has information on cost or value. Where this information is not available and cannot be obtained at a cost which is commensurate with the benefits to users of the financial statements, the assets are not recognised.

Acquisitions of heritage assets are initially recognised at cost or if bequeathed or donated, at fair value as at the date of acquisition.

Subsequent to initial recognition, heritage assets are measured at valuation using a method of valuation that is relevant and appropriate (for example insurance valuations). Where it is not practicable to obtain a valuation (at a cost which is commensurate with the benefits to users of the financial statements), and cost information is available, the assets are measured at historical cost (less any accumulated depreciation, amortisation and impairment losses). Heritage assets recognised on the Authority's Balance Sheet are measured using the following bases:

- historical sites, monuments and statues, nature reserves historical cost (less any accumulated depreciation, amortisation and impairment losses)
- · civic regalia current replacement cost
- collections insurance values based on open market replacement cost for items of a comparable nature, age and condition
- Intangible heritage assets historical cost (less any accumulated depreciation, amortisation and impairment losses).

Information on cost or value is not available for historical sites, monuments and nature reserves. Accordingly, except for expenditure incurred on the acquisition, creation or enhancement of these assets on or after 1 April 2010, these assets are not reported as assets in the balance sheet.

#### **Revaluation Gains and Losses**

Where heritage assets are measured at valuation, there is no prescribed minimum period between valuations. The carrying amount is however reviewed with sufficient frequency to ensure that valuations remain current.

Increases in valuations are matched by credits to the Revaluation Reserve to recognise unrealised gains. Exceptionally, gains might be credited to the Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services where they arise from the reversal of an impairment or revaluation loss previously charged to the Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services.

Where the carrying amount of a heritage asset is decreased as a result of a revaluation, the decrease is recognised in the Revaluation Reserve up to the balance of revaluation gains for that asset included in the Revaluation Reserve and thereafter against the relevant service line in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement.

Revaluation gains or losses charged to the Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services are not proper charges to the General Fund. Such amounts are therefore transferred to the Capital Adjustment Account and reported in the Movement in Reserves Statement.

#### **Preservation Costs**

Expenditure which, in the Authority's view, is required to preserve or clearly prevent further deterioration of individual collection items, is recognised in the Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services when it is incurred.

#### **Depreciation**

The majority of the Authority's tangible heritage assets have indefinite lives and therefore the Authority does not consider it appropriate to charge depreciation. Where a useful life can be identified, straight line depreciation is applied.

Depreciation is provided for in relation to the Authority's intangible heritage assets by allocating the value of the asset in the balance sheet to the period expected to benefit from its use.

#### **Impairment**

The values of heritage assets are reviewed at the end of each financial year for evidence of impairment; for example where an item has suffered physical deterioration or breakage or where doubt arises over its authenticity. Impairment losses are accounted for in accordance with the recognition and measurement requirements set out in sections 17- Property, Plant and Equipment and 11- Intangible Assets, below.

### 11. Intangible Assets

Expenditure on non-monetary assets that do not have physical substance but are controlled by the Authority as a result of past events (e.g. software licences) is capitalised when it is expected that future economic benefits or service potential will flow to the Authority.

Internally generated assets are recognised where it is demonstrable that the project is technically feasible and is intended to be completed (with adequate resources being available) and the Authority will be able to generate future economic benefits or deliver service potential by being able to sell or use the asset. Expenditure is capitalised where it can be measured reliably as attributable to the asset and is restricted to that incurred during the development phase (research expenditure cannot be capitalised).

Expenditure on the development of websites is not capitalised if the website is solely or primarily intended to promote or advertise the Authority's goods or services.

Intangible assets are initially measured at cost. Amounts are only revalued where the fair value of the assets held by the Authority can be determined by reference to an active market. The depreciable amount of an intangible asset is amortised over its useful life in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement. An asset is tested for impairment where there is an indication that the asset might be impaired. Any losses recognised are posted to the relevant service line in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement. Any gain or loss arising on the disposal of an intangible asset is

posted to the Other Operating Expenditure line in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement.

Where expenditure on intangible assets qualifies as capital expenditure for statutory purposes, amortisation, impairment losses and disposal gains and losses are not permitted to have an impact on the General Fund Balance. The gains and losses are therefore reversed out of the General Fund Balance in the Movement in Reserves Statement and posted to the Capital Adjustment Account and (for any sale proceeds greater than £10,000) the Capital Receipts Reserve.

#### 12. Interests in Companies and Other Entities

In the Authority's single-entity accounts, interests in companies and other entities that meet the definition of a subsidiary, associate or jointly controlled entity, and are not classified as held for sale, are recorded at cost, less any provision for losses.

#### 13. Inventories

Inventories are included in the Balance Sheet at the lower of cost and net realisable value. The cost of inventories is assigned using the first-in first-out (FIFO) costing formula.

#### 14. Investment Property

Investment properties are those properties that are used solely to earn rentals and/or for capital appreciation. The definition is not met if the property is used to facilitate the delivery of services or production of goods or is held for sale.

Investment properties are measured initially at cost and subsequently at fair value, being the price that would be received to sell such an asset in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The fair value of investment property held under a lease is the lease interest. As a non-financial asset, investment properties are measured at highest and best use.

Investment properties are not depreciated but are revalued annually according to market conditions at the balance sheet date.

Gains and losses on revaluation are posted to the Financing and Investment Income and Expenditure line in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement. The same treatment is applied to gains and losses on disposal.

Under statutory arrangements, gains or losses resulting from the revaluation or disposal of investment property are not proper charges to the General Fund. The gains and losses are therefore reversed out of the General Fund balance in the Movement in Reserves Statement and posted to the Capital Adjustment Accounts and (for any sale proceeds greater than £10,000) the Capital Receipts Reserve.

Rentals received in relation to investment properties are credited to the Financing and Investment Income line in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement.

#### 15. Leases

Leases are classified as finance leases where the terms of the lease transfer substantially all the risks and rewards incidental to ownership of the asset from the lessor to lessee. All other leases are classified as operating leases. Where a lease covers both land and buildings, the land and buildings elements are considered separately for classification.

Arrangements that do not have the legal status of a lease but convey a right to use an asset in return for payment are accounted for under this policy where fulfilment of the arrangement is dependent on the use of specific assets.

#### (i) The Authority as lessee

#### **Finance Leases**

An asset held under a finance lease is recognised on the Balance Sheet at the commencement of the lease at its fair value at the lease's inception (or the present value of the minimum lease payment, if lower). The asset recognised is matched by a liability for the obligation to pay the lessor. Initial direct costs of the Authority are added to the carrying amount of the asset. Premiums paid on entry into a lease are applied to write down the lease liability. Contingent rents are charged as expenses in the periods in which they are incurred.

Lease payments are apportioned between:

- the amount applied to write down the lease liability, and
- the finance charge, which is debited to the Financing and Investment Income and Expenditure line in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement.

The finance charge is calculated so as to produce a constant periodic rate of interest on the remaining balance of the liability.

Assets recognised under finance leases are accounted for using the policies applied generally to such assets, subject to depreciation being charged over the lease term if this is shorter than the asset's estimated useful life (where ownership of the asset does not transfer to the Authority at the end of the lease period).

The Authority is not required to raise council tax to fund depreciation, revaluation or impairment losses on leased assets. It is however required to make an annual contribution from revenue towards the deemed capital investment in accordance with statutory requirements. This contribution is known as the Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP). Depreciation, revaluation and impairment losses on leased assets are therefore replaced by the MRP in the General Fund Balance, by way of an adjusting transaction with the Capital Adjustment Account in the Movement in Reserves Statement for the difference between the two.

#### **Operating Leases**

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Comprehensive income and expenditure statement as an expense of the services benefitting from use of the leased asset. Charges are made on a straight-line basis over the lease term unless another systematic basis is more representative of the benefits received by the Authority.

#### (ii) The Authority as lessor

#### **Finance Leases**

Where the Authority grants a finance lease over a property, or an item of plant or equipment, the relevant asset is written out of the Balance Sheet as a disposal. At the commencement of the lease, the carrying amount of the asset in the Balance Sheet is written off to the Other Operating Expenditure line (PPE or Assets held for Sale) or Financing and Investment Income and Expenditure line (Investment Property) in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement as part of the gain or loss on disposal.

A gain, representing the Authority's net investment in the lease, is credited to the same line in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement, as part of the gain or loss on disposal (i.e. netted off against the carrying value of the asset at the time of disposal), matched by a receivable (long-term debtor) in the Balance Sheet.

Lease rentals receivable are apportioned between:

- repayment of principal applied to write down the lease debtor (together with any premiums received), and
- finance income (credited to the Financing and Investment Income line in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement).

Finance income is calculated so as to produce a constant periodic rate of return on the net investment.

The gain credited to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement on disposal is not permitted by statute to increase the General Fund Balance and is required to be treated as a capital receipt. Where a premium has been received, this is posted out of the General Fund Balance to the Capital Receipts Reserve in the Movement in Reserves Statement. Where the amount due in relation to the lease asset is to be settled by the payment of rentals in future financial years, this is posted out of the General Fund Balance to Deferred Capital Receipts Reserve in the Movement in Reserves Statement.

When the future rentals are received, the element for the capital receipt for the disposal of the asset, is used to write down the lease debtor and a corresponding transfer made to transfer the deferred capital receipt to the Capital Receipts Reserve.

The written-off value of disposals is not a charge against council tax as the cost of noncurrent assets is fully provided for under separate arrangements for capital financing. Amounts are therefore appropriated to the Capital Adjustment Account from the General Fund Balance in the Movement in Reserves Statement.

#### **Operating Leases**

Where the Authority grants an operating lease over a property or an item of plant or equipment, the asset is retained in the Balance Sheet. Rental income is credited to the Other Operating Expenditure line in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement.

Credits are made on a straight-line basis over the life of the lease, even if this does not match the pattern of payments (e.g. there is a premium paid at the commencement of the lease). Initial direct costs incurred in negotiating and arranging the lease are added to the carrying amount of the relevant asset and charged as an expense over the lease term on the same basis as rental income.

#### 16. Overheads and Support Services

The costs of overheads and support services are charged to service segments in accordance with the Authority's arrangements for accountability and financial performance.

### 17. Property, Plant and Equipment (PPE)

Assets that have physical substance and are held for use in the production or supply of goods or services, for rental to others, or for administrative purposes and that are

expected to be used during more than one financial year, are classified as Property, Plant and Equipment.

#### Recognition

Expenditure on the acquisition, creation or enhancement of Property, Plant and Equipment is capitalised on an accruals basis, provided that it is probable that the future economic benefits or service potential associated with the item will flow to the Authority and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. Expenditure that maintains but does not add to an asset's potential to deliver future economic benefits or service potential (i.e. repairs and maintenance) is charged as an expense when it is incurred.

#### Measurement

Assets are initially measured at cost, comprising:

- the purchase price
- any costs attributable to bringing the asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management
- the initial estimate of the costs of dismantling and removing the item and restoring the site on which it is located.

The Authority does not capitalise borrowing costs incurred whilst assets are under construction.

The cost of assets acquired other than by purchase is deemed to be its fair value, unless the acquisition does not have commercial substance (i.e. it will not lead to a variation in the cash flows of the Authority). In the latter case, where an asset is acquired via an exchange, the cost of acquisition is the carrying amount of the asset given up by the Authority.

Donated assets are measured initially at fair value. The difference between fair value and any consideration paid is credited to the Taxation and Non-Specific Grant Income and Expenditure line of the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement, unless the donation has been made conditionally. Until conditions are satisfied, the gain is held in the Donated Assets Account.

Where gains are credited to the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure, they are reversed out of the General Fund Balance to the Capital Adjustment Account in the Movement in Reserves Statement.

Assets are subsequently carried in the Balance Sheet using the following measurement bases:

- infrastructure, community assets and assets under construction depreciated historical cost
- surplus assets the current value measurement base is fair value, estimated at highest and best use from a market participant's perspective
- all other assets current value, determined as the amount that would be paid for the asset in its existing use (existing use value EUV).

Where there is no market-based evidence of current value because of the specialist nature of an asset, depreciated replacement cost (DRC) is used as an estimate of current value.

Non-property assets that have short useful lives or low values (or both) are measured on a depreciated historical cost basis as a proxy for current value.

Assets measured at current value are revalued with sufficient regularity to ensure that their carrying amount does not differ materially from their current value at the balance sheet date, but as a minimum every five years. Increases in valuations, other than those that arise from the reversal of an impairment or revaluation loss previously charged to the Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services, are matched by credits to the Revaluation Reserve to recognise unrealised gains.

Revaluation gains that arise from the reversal of an impairment or revaluation loss previously charged to the Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services, are credited to the Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services to the extent required to reinstate the carrying amount that would have been determined (net of amortisation or depreciation) had no revaluation decrease been recognised for the asset in prior years.

Where the carrying amount of an item of property, plant and equipment is decreased as a result of a revaluation, the decrease is recognised in the Revaluation Reserve up to the balance of revaluation gains for that asset included in the Revaluation Reserve and thereafter against the relevant service line in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement.

Revaluation gains or losses charged to the Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services are not proper charges to the General Fund. Such amounts are transferred to the Capital Adjustment Account and reported in the Movement in Reserves Statement.

The Revaluation Reserve contains revaluation gains recognised since 1<sup>st</sup> April 2007 only - the date of its formal implementation. Gains arising before that date have been consolidated into the Capital Adjustment Account.

#### **Impairment**

Assets are assessed at each year-end as to whether there is any indication that an asset may be impaired. Where indications exist and any possible differences are estimated to be material, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated and, where this is less than the carrying amount of the asset, an impairment loss is recognised for the shortfall.

Where an impairment loss is identified on an asset carried at a revalued amount, the impairment loss is recognised in the Revaluation Reserve, up to the balance of revaluation gains for that asset included in the Revaluation Reserve and thereafter against the relevant service line in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement. An impairment loss on an asset with a carrying value based on historical cost is recognised against the relevant service line in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement.

Where an impairment loss, previously recognised in Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services, is reversed subsequently, the reversal is credited to the relevant service lines in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement, up to the amount required to reinstate the assets carrying amount (net of depreciation) had no impairment loss been recognised in prior years. Any increase in the assets carrying value above this amount is treated as a revaluation gain and credited to the Revaluation Reserve.

Impairment losses and reversal of impairment losses charged to the Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services are not proper charges to the General Fund. Such amounts are therefore transferred to the Capital Adjustment Account and reported in the Movement in Reserves Statement.

#### **Depreciation**

Depreciation is provided for on all Property, Plant and Equipment assets by the systematic allocation of their depreciable amounts over their useful lives. An exception is made for assets without a determinable finite useful life (i.e. freehold land and certain Community Assets) and assets that are not yet available for use (i.e. Assets Under Construction).

Depreciation is calculated on the following bases:

Asset class	Depreciation method	Useful life
Operational Buildings	straight-line	4-50 years
Infrastructure Assets	straight-line	15-70 years
Operational Vehicles & plant	straight-line	3-20 years

Where an item of Property, Plant and Equipment asset has major components whose cost is significant in relation to the total cost of the item, each component is depreciated separately.

Revaluation gains are also depreciated, with an amount equal to the difference between current value depreciation charged on assets and the depreciation that would have been chargeable based on their historical cost being transferred each year from the Revaluation Reserve to the Capital Adjustment Account.

Depreciation charged to Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services is not a proper charge to the General Fund. Such amounts are therefore transferred to the Capital Adjustment Account and reported in the Movement in Reserves Statement.

#### 18. Disposals of PPE and Non-Current Assets Held for Sale

When it becomes probable that the carrying amount of an asset (PPE) will be recovered principally through a sale transaction rather than through its continuing use, it is reclassified as an Asset Held for Sale. The asset is revalued immediately before reclassification (except where the asset is normally measured at depreciated historical cost) and then carried at the lower of this amount and fair value less costs to sell. Where there is a subsequent decrease to fair value less costs to sell, the loss is posted to the Other Operating Expenditure line in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement. Gains in fair value are recognised only up to the amount of any previous losses recognised in the Surplus or Deficit on Provision of Services. Depreciation is not charged on Assets Held for Sale.

If assets no longer meet the criteria to be classified as Assets Held for Sale, they are reclassified back to non-current assets and valued at the lower of their carrying amount before they were classified as held for sale; adjusted for depreciation, amortisation or revaluations that would have been recognised had they not been classified as held for sale, and their recoverable amount at the date of the decision not to sell. Assets that are to be abandoned or scrapped are not reclassified as Assets Held for Sale.

When an asset (or component of an asset) is disposed of or decommissioned, the carrying amount of the asset (or component of an asset) in the Balance Sheet (whether PPE or Held for Sale) is written off to the Other Operating Expenditure line in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement as part of the gain or loss on disposal. Where it is not practicable to determine the carrying of a replaced or restored component of an asset, the Authority uses the cost of the replacement component to estimate the cost of the replaced component at the time it was acquired or constructed (adjusted for depreciation and impairment if required). Receipts from disposals (if any)

are credited to the same line as part of the gain or loss on disposal (i.e. netted off against the carrying value of the asset at the time of disposal). Any revaluation gains accumulated for the asset in the Revaluation Reserve are transferred to the Capital Adjustment Account.

Amounts received for a disposal in excess of £10,000 are categorised as capital receipts and can only be used for new capital investment, or set aside to reduce the Authority's underlying need to borrow (the capital financing requirement). Capital receipts arising from disposals are therefore appropriated to the Capital Receipts Reserve from the General Fund balance in the Movement in Reserves Statement.

The written off value of disposals is not a charge against council tax, as the cost of noncurrent assets is fully provided for under separate arrangements for capital financing. Amounts are appropriated to the Capital Adjustment Account from the General Fund Balance in the Movement in Reserves Statement.

### 19. Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets

#### **Provisions**

Provisions are recognised where:

- the Authority has a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of a past event
- it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits or service potential will be required to settle the obligation, and
- a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation

The amount recognised as a provision is the best estimate at the balance sheet date of the expenditure required to settle the obligation, taking into account the risks and uncertainties. Provisions are charged as an expense to the appropriate service line in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement in the year in which the conditions for recognition are met. When payments are eventually made, they are charged to the provision carried in the Balance Sheet. Estimated settlements are reviewed at the end of each financial year. Where it becomes less than probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required (or a lower settlement than anticipated is made), the provision is reversed and credited back to the relevant service.

Where some or all of the payment required to settle a provision is expected to be recovered from another party (e.g. from an insurance claim) this is only recognised as income if it is virtually certain that reimbursements will be received if the Authority settles the obligation.

#### **Contingent Liabilities**

A contingent liability arises where an event has taken place that gives the Authority a possible obligation whose existence will only be confirmed by the occurrence or otherwise of uncertain future events not wholly within the control of the Authority. Contingent liabilities also arise in circumstances where a provision would otherwise be made but either:

- it is not probable that an outflow of economic benefits or service potential resources will be required, or
- the amount of the obligation cannot be measured reliably.

Contingent liabilities are not recognised in the Balance Sheet but disclosed in a note to the accounts.

#### **Contingent Assets**

A contingent asset arises where an event has taken place that gives the Authority a possible asset whose existence will only be confirmed by the occurrence of one or more uncertain future events, not wholly within the control of the Authority.

Contingent assets are not recognised in the Balance Sheet but disclosed in a note to the accounts where it is probable that there will be an inflow of economic benefits or service potential.

#### 20. Reserves

The Authority sets aside specific amounts as reserves for future policy purposes or to cover contingencies. Reserves are created by transferring amounts out of the General Fund Balance in the Movement in Reserves Statement. When expenditure to be financed from a reserve is incurred, it is charged to the appropriate service revenue account in that year to score against the Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement. The reserve is then transferred back into the General Fund Balance so that there is no net charge against council tax for the expenditure.

Certain reserves are kept to manage the accounting processes for non-current assets, financial instruments, retirement benefits and employee benefits. These reserves do not represent usable resources for the Authority.

#### 21. Revenue Expenditure Funded from Capital under Statute

Expenditure required to be treated as capital expenditure under statutory provisions, but which does not result in the creation of non-current assets, is charged as expenditure to the relevant service in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement. Where the Authority has determined to meet the cost of this expenditure from capital resources or by borrowing, a transfer in the Movement in Reserves Statement from the General Fund balance to the Capital Adjustment Account, then reverses out the amounts charged to services so that there is no impact on the level of council tax.

#### 22. VAT

VAT payable is included as an expense only to the extent that it is not recoverable from HM Revenue and Customs. VAT receivable is excluded from income.

#### 23. Fair Value Measurement

The Authority measures some of its non-financial assets such as investment properties and some of its financial instruments such as equity shareholdings at fair value at each reporting date.

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date under current market conditions (i.e. an exit price), regardless of whether that price is directly observable or estimated using another valuation technique.

The fair value measurement assumes that the transaction to sell the asset or transfer the liability takes place either:

- a) in the principal market for the asset or liability, or
- b) in the absence of a principal market, in the most advantageous market for the asset or liability.

The fair value of an asset or liability is measured using the assumptions that market participants would use when pricing the asset or liability, assuming that market participants act in their economic best interest.

The fair value of a non-financial asset takes into account a market participant's ability to generate economic benefits by using the asset in its highest and best use or by selling it to another market participant that would use the asset in its highest and best use.

The price in the principal (or most advantageous) market used to measure the fair value of the asset or liability is not adjusted for transaction costs.

The highest and best use of a non-financial asset takes into account the use of the asset that is physically possible, legally permissible and financially feasible.

The fair value measurement of financial liabilities assumes that a financial or non-financial liability is transferred to a market participant at the measurement date. The transfer assumes that the liability would remain outstanding and the market participant transferee would be required to fulfil the obligation. The liability would not be settled with the counterparty or otherwise extinguished on the measurement date.

The Authority uses valuation techniques to measure fair value that are appropriate in the circumstances and for which sufficient data is available, maximising the use of relevant observable inputs and minimising the use of unobservable inputs.

All assets and liabilities where fair value is measured or disclosed in the financial statements, are categorised within the following fair value hierarchy, based on the lowest level input to valuation techniques that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole:

- Level 1 quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the authority can access at the measurement date
- Level 2 inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly
- Level 3 unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

For the purpose of fair value disclosures, the Authority has determined appropriate classes of assets and liabilities on the basis of (a) the nature, characteristics and risks of the asset or liability; and (b) the level of the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurement is categorised.

For assets and liabilities that are recognised in the financial statements on a recurring basis, the Authority determines whether transfers have occurred between Levels in the hierarchy by re-assessing categorisation (based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole) at the end of each reporting period.

# Additional accounting policies relevant to the preparation of the Group Accounts

#### 24. Subsidiaries

A subsidiary is an entity, including an unincorporated entity such as a partnership controlled by the Authority. The Authority controls an entity when it has:

- power over the investee i.e. existing rights that give it the current ability to direct the relevant activities of the investee
- exposure, or rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee
- the ability to use its power over the investee to affect its returns.

The Authority re-assesses whether or not it controls an investee if facts and circumstances indicate there are changes to one or more of the three elements of control listed above.

Where the Authority holds more than half of the voting rights of another entity, the Authority has power over that entity where:

- the relevant activities of the entity are directed by a vote of the holder of the majority of the voting rights; or
- the majority of the members of the governing body that directs the relevant activities are appointed by a vote of the holder of the majority of the voting rights,

unless the voting rights held are not substantive or do not otherwise provide the Authority with the current ability to direct the relevant activities of the entity.

Where the Authority holds less than the majority of the voting rights of an entity the Authority considers all relevant facts and circumstances in assessing whether or not voting rights in an investee are sufficient to give it power, including:

- the size of the Authority's holding of voting rights relative to the size and dispersion of holdings of the other vote holders
- contractual arrangements between the Authority and other vote holders
- potential voting rights held by the Authority that are substantive
- rights arising from other contractual arrangements
- any additional facts and circumstances that indicate that the Authority has, or does not have the current ability to direct the relevant activities of the investee.

Within the Group Accounts like items of assets, liabilities, reserves, income, expenses and cash flows of the Authority are aggregated, on a line by line basis, with those of its subsidiaries and the carrying amount of the Authority's investment in each subsidiary eliminated against the Authority's share of the reserves of each subsidiary. On consolidation, intra-group balances and transactions and any unrealised gains and losses on transactions between group entities, are eliminated in full.

The surplus or deficit on the provision of services and each component of other comprehensive income and expenditure, are attributed to the Authority and to the minority interests (non-controlling interest) - even if this results in the minority interests having a deficit balance. The amounts attributed are determined on the basis of the relative ownership interests in the entity of the Authority and the minority interest, unless there are contractual arrangements that determine the attribution of earnings. Minority interests are presented separately in the group balance sheet in (unusable) reserves.

Consolidation of a subsidiary begins when the Authority obtains control over the subsidiary and ceases when the Authority loses control of the subsidiary. Income and expenditure of a subsidiary acquired or disposed of during the year are included in the group accounts from the date the Authority gains control or until the date the Authority ceases to control the subsidiary, as appropriate. Income and expenses of a subsidiary are based on the values of the assets and liabilities recognised in the group accounts at the date of acquisition.

# 25. Changes in the Authority's ownership interests in existing subsidiaries

Changes in ownership interest in a subsidiary that do not result in a loss of control are accounted for as reserve transactions. The carrying amounts of the Authority's and minority's interests are adjusted to reflect the changes in their relative interests in the subsidiary. Any difference, between the amount by which the minority interests are adjusted, and the fair value of the consideration paid or received, is recognised directly in reserves and attributed to the Authority.

Where the Authority loses control of a subsidiary, the assets and liabilities of the former subsidiary (and any related minority interests and other components of reserves), are derecognised from the group balance sheet. Any resulting gain or loss is recognised in surplus or deficit on the provision of services. All amounts, previously recognised in other comprehensive income and expenditure in relation to that subsidiary, are accounted for as if the Authority had directly disposed of the related assets or liabilities (i.e. reclassified to surplus or deficit on the provision of services or transferred to another category of reserves).

Any investment retained in the former subsidiary is measured at its fair value when control is lost, with the adjustment being recognised as part of the gain or loss on disposal of the controlling interest. That fair value is regarded as the fair value on initial recognition for subsequent accounting of a financial asset in accordance with IAS 39 - Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement and chapter 7 of the Code or, when appropriate, the cost on initial recognition of an investment in an associate or joint venture.

#### 26. Interests in associates and joint ventures

An associate is an entity over which the Authority (or other group entity) has significant influence. Significant influence is the power to participate in the financial and operating policy decisions of the investee, but not control or joint control over those policies.

A joint venture is a type of joint arrangement whereby the parties that have joint control of the arrangement have rights to the net assets of the joint venture. Joint control is the contractually agreed sharing of control of an arrangement, which exists only when decisions about the relevant activities require unanimous consent of the parties sharing control.

Interests in associates and joint ventures are accounted for (in the group accounts) using the equity method of accounting except when the investment, or a portion thereof, meets the criteria to be classified as held for sale, in which case it is accounted for in accordance with IFRS 5 - Non-current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations and section 4.9 of the Code.

Under the equity method, an investment in an associate or a joint venture is initially recognised (in the group balance sheet) at cost. The carrying amount of the investment is adjusted thereafter to recognise changes in the Authority's share of net assets of the associate or joint venture since the acquisition date. Distributions received from an investee reduce the carrying amount of the investment.

When the Authority's share of losses of an associate or a joint venture exceeds its interest in the associate or joint venture (which includes any long-term interests that, in substance, form part of the Authority's net investment in the associate or joint venture) the Authority discontinues recognising its share of further losses. Additional losses are recognised only to the extent that the entity has incurred legal or constructive obligations

or made payments on behalf of the associate or joint venture. If the associate or joint venture subsequently reports profits, the Authority resumes recognising its share of those profits only after its share of the profits equals the share of losses not recognised.

After application of the equity method the requirements of IAS 39 and chapter seven of the Code are used to determine whether any additional impairment loss is recognised with respect to the Authority's net investment in the associate or joint venture and other interests that do not form part of the net investment in the associate or joint venture.

The group Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement reflects the Authority's share of the operating results and other comprehensive income and expenditure of the associate or joint venture. Unrealised gains and losses resulting from transactions between the Authority (or other group entity) and the associate or joint venture, are eliminated to the extent of the Authority's interest in the associate or joint venture. Where necessary, adjustments are made to the financial statements of associates and joint ventures subsidiaries in preparing the Group Accounts to ensure conformity with the accounting policies used in the Authority's single entity financial statements.

An investment in an associate or joint venture is accounted for using the equity method from the date on which the investee becomes an associate or joint venture. On acquisition of an investment in an associate or joint venture, any excess of the cost of the investment over the Authority's share of the net fair value of the identifiable assets and liabilities, is recognised as goodwill and included in the carrying amount of the investment. Any excess of the Authority's share of the net fair value of the identifiable assets and liabilities over the cost of the investment is recognised in the surplus or deficit on the provision of services.

Use of the equity method is discontinued from the date when the investment ceases to be an associate or joint venture, or when the investment is classified as held for sale. If the investment becomes a subsidiary, it is accounted for as a business combination. If the retained interest in the former associate or joint venture is a financial asset, the Authority measures the retained interest at fair value at that date. The fair value of the retained interest is regarded as its fair value on initial recognition as a financial asset in accordance with IAS 39 and chapter 7 of the Code. The difference between the carrying amount of the investment at the date the equity method was discontinued and the fair value of any retained interest and any proceeds from disposing of a part interest in the associate or joint venture is included in the determination of the gain or loss on disposal of the former associate or joint venture.

When the Authority discontinues the use of the equity method, all amounts previously recognised in other comprehensive income and expenditure in relation to that investment are accounted for on the same basis as would have been required if the associate or joint venture had directly disposed of the related assets or liabilities. Therefore, where amounts previously recognised as other comprehensive income and expenditure in relation to the associate or joint venture would be reclassified to the surplus or deficit on the provision of services on disposal of the related assets or liabilities, the Authority reclassifies the gain or loss from reserves to the surplus or deficit on the provision of services.

The Authority continues to use the equity method when an investment in an associate becomes an investment in a joint venture or an investment in a joint venture becomes an investment in an associate. The investment is not remeasured.

### **Annual Governance Statement**

#### 1. Introduction - Scope of Responsibility

- 1.1 Allerdale Borough Council (the Council) is responsible for ensuring that its business is conducted in accordance with the law and proper standards, and that public money is safeguarded and properly accounted for, and used economically, efficiently and effectively. The Council also has a duty under the Local Government Act 1999 to make arrangements to secure continuous improvement in the way in which its functions are exercised, having regard to a combination of economy, efficiency and effectiveness.
- 1.2 The Council has approved and adopted a local code of corporate governance, consistent with the principles of the CIPFA/SOLACE Framework *Delivering Good Governance in Local Government* (2016). This local code is subject to regular review and updating.
- 1.3 The 2016 CIPFA/SOLACE Framework requires local authorities to be responsible for ensuring that:
  - their business is conducted in accordance with all relevant laws and regulations
  - public money is safeguarded and properly accounted for
  - resources are used economically, efficiently and effectively to achieve agreed priorities which benefit local people.
- 1.4 The 2016 Framework also expects that local authorities will put in place proper arrangements for the governance of their affairs and facilitate the effective exercise of their functions, which includes arrangements for the management of risk.
- 1.5 This statement explains how the Council has complied with the code and also meets the requirements of Accounts and Audit (England) Regulations 2015, regulation 6(1)(b), which requires all relevant authorities to prepare an annual governance statement.

#### 2. The Purpose of the Governance Framework

- 2.1 The governance framework comprises the systems and processes, culture and values by which the Council is directed and controlled and its activities through which it accounts to, engages with and leads its communities. It enables the Council to monitor the achievement of its priorities and to consider whether those priorities have led to the delivery of appropriate services and value for money.
- 2.2 The system of internal control is a significant part of that framework and is designed to manage risk to a reasonable level. It cannot eliminate all risk of failure to achieve policies, aims and objectives and can therefore only provide reasonable and not absolute assurance of effectiveness. The system of internal control is based on an ongoing process designed to identify and prioritise the risks to the achievement of the Council's policies, aims and objectives, to evaluate the likelihood and potential impact of those risks being realised, and to manage them efficiently, effectively and economically.
- 2.3 The following section summarises the key elements of the Council's governance arrangements in place during the year ended 31 March 2018 and up to the date of approval of the financial statements.

#### 3. Key Elements of Allerdale Borough Council's Governance Framework

3.1 There are a number of key elements to the systems and processes that comprise the Council's governance arrangements, including:

#### **Council, Leader & Executive Committee**

- Provide leadership, develop and set policy
- Develop and set policy to achieve the priorities identified in the Council Plan
- · Support Allerdale's towns and communities to thrive and succeed

#### **Senior Management Team & Statutory Officers**

- The Head of Paid Service is the Chief Executive and is responsible for all council staff and leading an effective senior management team
- The Council's Section 151 Officer is the Head of Financial Services and is responsible for ensuring proper administration of the Council's financial affairs
- The Monitoring Officer is the Head of Governance and is responsible for ensuring legality and promoting high standards of public conduct

#### **Decision-Making**

- Constitution, Scheme of Delegation and decision-making process reviewed regularly
- All meetings held in public
- Decisions are recorded on the Council's website

#### **Risk Management**

- Risk registers identify both operational and strategic risk
- Key risks are considered by the senior management team and Audit Committee every quarter

#### **Scrutiny & Audit**

- Overview & Scrutiny Committee reviews Council policy and can challenge decisions
- Audit Committee reviews governance, costs vs budget and delivery of agreed Internal Audit plans

# 4. How we comply with the 2016 CIPFA Framework 'Delivering Good Governance in Local Government'

- 4.1 Allerdale Borough Council has approved and adopted a Local Code of Corporate Governance, the requirements of the 2016 Framework and a number of specific strategies and processes for strengthening corporate governance.
- 4.2 The Council structures its approach to compliance around the seven principles set out in the 2016 Framework.

# PRINCIPLE A: Behaving with integrity, demonstrating strong commitment to ethical values, and respecting the rule of law

4.3 The Monitoring Officer works with the Constitution Review Group to conduct regular reviews of the Council's Constitution, including the decision-making framework and delegation arrangements, and makes recommendations for changes where appropriate.

- 4.4 The Council has a Code of Conduct for elected and co-opted Members, a Code of Conduct for employees and a Local Code of Corporate Governance that provides guidance for officers and members on expected standards of behaviours to ensure integrity.
- 4.5 Members receive annual training on Standards Arrangements, declarations of interests and the Code of Conduct as part of the Authority's discharge of its statutory duty to promote and maintain high standards of conduct by its members. The Code of Conduct focuses upon the Nolan principles of conduct in public life of selflessness, integrity, objectivity, accountability, openness, honesty, and leadership. It sets an objective, non-political and high standard whose purpose is to remind members of the behaviour expected of them in public life and to set out clearly the key principles against which their conduct is measured.
- 4.6 All employees participate in the Council's framework of behaviours describing "What Great Looks Like". The framework describes the strengths and behaviours that are important for every role, identifies areas of development for the workforce and defines the expected standards of behaviour for staff.
- 4.7 The Monitoring Officer works closely with the Standards Committee and Independent Person on any complaints regarding the potential breach of the Code of Conduct by members. Complaints are handled in accordance with the Authority's arrangements for dealing with standards allegations under the Localism Act 2011 and the outcome of such investigations are published on the Council's website.
- 4.8 As part of its 2017/18 Plan, the Assurance Risk and Audit team completed a review of the ethical culture at the Council and identified actions to enhance and develop the current systems. The review examined the system of controls and procedures currently in operation to manage and maintain a culture based on strong ethical values aligned to the seven Nolan principles of public life. The review comprised a review of documentation, interviews with key officers, identification of systems and procedures and the completion of surveys by employees.
- 4.9 The Council has assessed its fraud risks based on the Fighting Fraud Locally 2016-19 Checklist and created an action plan including establishing a Corporate Fraud Group comprising the Section 151 Officer, the Monitoring Officer, the Assurance, Risk and Audit Manager and representatives from other services. An e-learning fraud awareness package is available to all Council officers and fraud bulletins are published on the Council's intranet monthly.
- 4.10 The Council updated its complaints system and procedures including the Council's mobile app so that complainants are better able to submit complaints, track their progress and quickly access the outcome of complaints. The objective of the complaints process is to identify opportunities for improvements and to endeavour to resolve complaints satisfactorily at local level. The Council's whistle blowing arrangements are publicly available to ensure there is a clear channel of confidential reporting for the public.

#### PRINCIPLE B: Ensuring openness and comprehensive stakeholder engagement

4.11 All meetings are open to the public and all agenda papers, reports and decisions made by the Council are published on the Council's website together with details of forthcoming consultation exercises, surveys and public meetings, except those determined as exempt from publication. All Council meetings are video-recorded for reference.

- 4.12 The Council engages with stakeholders and partners through a combination of joint working arrangements, partnership boards and representation on the governing bodies of external organisations, neighbourhood forums, businesses and other local authorities.
- 4.13 The Council regularly consults on issues including on the proposed budget, changes in taxi fares, and the Housing Strategy, Economic Growth Plan and Heritage Strategy as well as the Local Plan (Part 2). When a consultation is held, the Council routinely includes all parish and town councils, as well as partner organisations such as Cumbria County Council. For the Local Plan a number of engagement events were held with staff and the public where people were encouraged to ask officers questions about the proposals. The Council also carries out a biannual survey of residents asking their views on things like council services, proposed budget savings, their local area, and their lifestyle. The survey is used to inform policy decisions and provide insight into the satisfaction levels of Council and other service providers.
- 4.14 The Council publishes information relating to all of its expenditure on its website each month and publishes an annual Pay Policy Statement detailing the remuneration of senior officers.
- 4.15 A range of media is used to inform residents and employees about the progress made in delivering the Council's plans including press releases, Facebook and Twitter.

## PRINCIPLE C: Defining outcomes in terms of sustainable economic, social, and environmental benefits

- 4.16 The Council Plan 2015-2019 sets out a strategic vision for the borough. It is reviewed on an annual basis to ensure that the Council's priorities remain appropriate. The Council Plan was not altered in 2017.
- 4.17 To translate the Council Plan into clear delivery activities and targets a Corporate Business Plan was developed for 2017/18. The Business Plan sets out specific activity that will be undertaken towards achieving the objectives set out in the Council Plan and is the vehicle by which the Council reports progress against Council Plan commitments. The Business Plan gives a fuller picture of how the whole organisation contributes to the delivery of the priorities in the Council Plan. Along with setting out specific projects and activities, the Business Plan also sets out a series of key performance indicators under each Council Plan priority theme and identifies self-sufficiency targets against activities/projects.
- 4.18 The Council's decision-making process takes account of the economic, social and environmental impacts of policies and plans. Reports to committees require a consideration of these factors along with risk and financial implications.
- 4.19 The Council reviewed and updated its Equality Objectives in 2017/18 in line with the statutory requirements under the Public Sector Equality Duty. The report to Executive set out the progress the Council has made in embedding consideration of equality and diversity into planning and decision making; progress on achievement of objectives; recent activity that demonstrates the Council's commitment to equality and diversity and a summary of the available statistical data to support the rationale for the newly adopted priorities. The equality objectives will be reviewed again during 2018/19 alongside the development of the new Council Plan to ensure that in future our equality objectives are fully aligned to the Council Plan and integrated into our business planning processes.

## PRINCIPLE D: Determining the interventions necessary to optimise the achievement of the intended outcomes

- 4.20 All decisions are subject to scrutiny by members, review of options and risk by officers and members and key performance indicators are in place for all services.
- 4.21 The senior management team monitor key performance indicators on a monthly basis to ensure that the Council's priorities and performance targets are being met and potential intervention where expected performance is not being achieved. Progress against Council Plan priorities and performance more generally is reported to the Executive and Overview and Scrutiny Committee quarterly for discussion.
- 4.22 The Council has a programme of transformation projects. Budget proposals are developed by services, challenged and subject to scrutiny by the Corporate Leadership Team through the Star Chamber exercise.
- 4.23 The Council regularly engages with other authorities to learn and understand how best practice has been delivered elsewhere. Together, these practices also provide assurance that Council is achieving best value.

# PRINCIPLE E: Developing capacity and capability, including the capability of its leadership and the individuals within it

- 4.24 A key element of the Council's service planning is to maximise the investment in staff through staff training and development including using its relationship with the Centre for Leadership Performance and the Apprenticeship Levy. All third tier managers have now completed leadership and management training. The Council also has an e-Learning package available to all employees and members as and when required.
- 4.25 All employees have development objectives identified as part of their 'What Great Looks Like' appraisal and complete quarterly reviews with their managers to discuss progress.
- 4.26 Members are required to complete an induction following their election and receive an induction pack including all relevant policies and procedures. All members are given the opportunity and encouraged to develop individual personal development plans to identify development needs.
- 4.27 The Council works across a range of partnerships and collaborative arrangements, and uses commissioning and procurement processes to maximise capacity by delivering services in the most effective and efficient way.

# PRINCIPLE F: Managing risks and performance through robust internal control and strong public financial management

- 4.28 The risk management framework confirms the Council's approach to identifying and controlling risk and is reviewed annually. The Council maintains a risks and issues log for corporate risks. Service risks are discussed with teams, reviewed and updated regularly and are escalated when necessary.
- 4.29 The Council's Integrated Assurance Strategy brings together risk management, the three lines of defence model and assurance mapping as a means to aid setting and achieving objectives, promoting good governance and providing assurance. The senior management team and third tier managers attend risk facilitation workshops lead by the Assurance Risk and Audit Manager every six months. The Council has a Corporate Governance Group consisting of officers from across the Authority who meet throughout the year to assess the processes in place to produce a governance statement and to review progress on improvements in governance arrangements.

- 4.30 Service performance is monitored and is reported to the Executive committee quarterly. The Council's Financial Regulations provide the governance framework for managing the Council's financial affairs. The Council's financial management arrangements conform to the governance requirements of CIPFA's "Statement on the Role of the Chief Financial Officer in Local Government". The Assurance, Risk and Audit team provide regular reports on the effective operation of processes and associated internal controls together with an annual assessment of the overall control environment.
- 4.31 The Council employs officers with dedicated responsibility for information governance, security and records management. In addition to the Authority-wide work on data protection pending the introduction of the new General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), the team has introduced new guidance and trained all officers within the Council in connection with how information should be securely handled, transmitted, stored and maintained.
- 4.32 The Council consistently meets statutory deadlines for the publication and audit of its annual statement of accounts.

# PRINCIPLE G: Implementing good practices in transparency, reporting, and accountability

- 4.33 All reports, minutes and decisions are published on the Council's website. The Council follows best practice on providing clear and accurate information and has developed both its website and the format of Council reports to improve transparency and accessibility.
- 4.34 At its Annual General Meeting in May 2017 and in accordance with the recommendations of a Peer Review conducted by the Local Government Association, the Council approved a restructure of its Overview and Scrutiny Committee to support a robust and effective scrutiny function. The review included the development of a single committee structure supported by Task and Finish Groups aligned to Council priorities. The Overview and Scrutiny Committee holds decision-makers accountable and reports regularly to full Council with updates on its work and recommendations from any work completed.
- 4.35 The Council reports regularly to elected members and senior management team on its operational and financial performance. The Council publishes information for all expenditure every month on its website to encourage openness and transparency of public spending.
- 4.36 All audit recommendations are reported to the Audit Committee, to ensure that officers undertake any follow-up actions as appropriate.

#### 5 Review of Effectiveness of the Governance Framework

- 5.1 The Council is responsible for conducting, at least annually, a review of the effectiveness of its governance framework including the system of internal control. The review of effectiveness is informed by the work of the managers who have responsibility for the development and maintenance of the governance environment, the Assurance, Risk and Audit Manager's annual report and by comments made by the external auditors and other review agencies.
- 5.2 The Council has used a number of ways to review and assess the effectiveness of its governance arrangements including a detailed review of the qualitative and quantitative evidence about the financial year 2017/18.

5.3 The Governance Group, the Assurance, Risk and Audit team and others have reviewed key performance indicators and met with Heads of Service and third tier managers to discuss their areas. There have been consultations with the Monitoring Officer, the Assurance, Risk and Audit Manager and the s151 Officer. All service areas completed managers' assurance statements and the feedback has been analysed.

#### **Assurance from Internal and External Audit**

- 5.4 One of the key assurance statements the Council receives is the annual report and opinion of the Assurance, Risk and Audit Manager. The Assurance, Risk and Audit Manager's opinion for 2017/18 concludes that the overall effectiveness of the Council's risk management, control and governance processes are 'substantial'.
- 5.5 The Council's external auditor, Grant Thornton, provides assurance on the accuracy of the year-end Statement of Accounts and the overall adequacy of arrangements made by the Council for securing economy, efficiency and effectiveness in its use of resources. The most recent Audit Letter, issued in October 2017, identified no material errors and noted that an unqualified opinion had been issued in respect of the 2016/17 accounts and that the Council had in place proper arrangements for securing economy, efficiency and effectiveness in its use of resources for the year ended 31 March 2017.

#### Self-assessment and review of performance

- 5.6 Managers' Assurance Statements, signed by Heads of Service, confirm codes of conduct, financial regulations, and other corporate governance processes have been operating as intended throughout the year.
- 5.7 During 2017/18:
  - no formal reports were issued by the S151 Officer or Monitoring Officer
  - no breaches of member or officer Codes of Conduct occurred
  - no objections were received from local electors
  - no Judicial Review claims were successfully brought against the Council.

#### Follow-up issues and areas for improvement

5.8 There were no significant issues identified in last year's annual governance statement for which it is necessary to provide an update.

#### 6 Conclusion

6.1 At the date of approval of the financial statements there were no significant governance issues requiring action.

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lan Frost Chief Executive

30 July 2018

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#### **Glossary of Terms**

accounting period

The period of time covered by the accounts, normally a period of 12 months ending with 31st March.

accounting policies

The specific principles, bases, conventions, rules and practices applied by an authority in preparing and presenting financial statements.

accruals

Liabilities to pay for goods or services that have been received or supplied during the accounting period but have not been paid, invoiced or formally agreed with the supplier, including amounts due to employees (for example amounts relating to accrued holiday pay).

accrual basis

A basis of accounting under which transactions and other events are recognised when they occur (and not only when cash or its equivalent is received or paid). The accruals basis of accounting requires the non-cash effects of transactions and events to be recorded and reported in the financial statements of the accounting period to which they relate and not in the period in which any cash is received or paid.

active market

A market in which transactions for the asset or liability take place with sufficient frequency and volume to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis.

actuarial gains and losses (for a defined benefit pension scheme) Changes in the present value of the defined benefit obligation resulting from:

(a) experience adjustments (the effects of differences between the previous

(a) experience adjustments (the effects of differences between the previous actuarial assumptions and what has actually occurred); and

(b) the effects of changes in actuarial assumptions.

amortisation (depreciation)

The systematic allocation of the depreciable amount of an intangible asset over its useful life.

amortised cost of a financial asset or financial liability

The amount at which the financial asset or financial liability is measured at initial recognition minus principal repayments, plus or minus the cumulative amortisation using the effective interest method of any difference between that initial amount and the maturity amount, and minus any reduction (directly or through the use of an allowance account) for impairment or uncollectability.

assets

A resource controlled by the authority as a result of past events, and from which future economic benefits or service potential are expected flow to the authority.

asset ceiling

The present value of any economic benefits available in the form of refunds from the plan or reductions in future contributions to the plan.

assets held by a long-term employee benefit fund Assets (other than non-transferable financial instruments issued by the reporting authority) that are either:

- (a) held by a fund that is separated within the reporting authority in accordance with Local Government Pension Scheme requirements and exists solely to pay or fund employee benefits, or
- (b) held by an entity (a fund) that is legally separate from the reporting authority and exists solely to pay or fund employee benefits; and
- (c) are available to be used only to pay or fund employee benefits, are not available to the reporting authority's own creditors (even in bankruptcy), and cannot be returned to the reporting authority, unless either:
  - (i) the remaining assets of the fund are sufficient to meet all the related employee benefit obligations of the plan or the reporting authority; or
  - (ii) the assets are returned to the reporting authority to reimburse it for employee benefits already paid.

associate

An entity over which an investor (i.e. a reporting authority) has significant influence.

authorised for issue (date)

For unaudited accounts - the date on which the responsible financial officer (RFO) certifies that the accounts give a true and fair view of the authority's financial position and financial performance in advance of approval.

For audited accounts - the date the responsible financial officer (RFO) re-certifies the financial statements before the committee, authority or body approves the financial statements in accordance with the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015.

available-for-sale financial assets benefits payable during employment All non-derivative financial assets that are not classified as (a) loans and receivables or (b) fair value through profit or loss.

a) Short-term employee benefits, such as wages and salaries, paid annual leave and paid sick leave, bonuses and non-monetary benefits (e.g. cars) for current employees, expected to be settled wholly before 12 months after the end of the annual reporting period in which the employees render the related services. b) Benefits earned by current employees but not expected to be settled wholly before 12 months after the end of the annual reporting period in which the employees render the related service such as long-service leave or jubilee payments and long-term disability benefits.

call accounts

Funds placed with a financial institution without a fixed maturity date and which can be 'called' or withdrawn at any time.

capital expenditure

Expenditure which falls to be capitalised in accordance with proper practices (i.e. the expenditure results in an asset being recognised on the balance sheet) or which otherwise falls to be treated as capital expenditure under regulations or by virtue of a capitalisation direction.

capital receipt

A sum received by the authority in respect of the disposal by it of an interest in a capital asset'. An asset is a capital asset if, at the time of the disposal. expenditure on the acquisition of the asset would be capital expenditure. Capital receipts also include sums to be treated as being a capital receipt under regulations. These include repayment of a loan, grant or other financial assistance, given by an authority if the same loan, grant or advance would qualify as capital expenditure if incurred at the time of the repayment. Capital receipts which, in aggregate do not exceed £10,000 are not treated as a capital receipt.

Capital receipts can only be used for one or more of the purposes set out in regulations. For example to finance capital expenditure, to repay the principal of any amount borrowed, to pay a premium charged in relation to any amount owed or to meet the costs of disposal of an interest in non-housing land, provided these do not exceed 4% of the capital receipt arising from the disposal.

capitalisation

Recognising a cost as part of the cost of an asset.

carrying amount carrying amount (of an intangible asset) The amount at which an asset is recognised in the balance sheet. The amount at which an asset is recognised after deducting any accumulated

carrying amount (of

amortisation and accumulated impairment losses.

PPE) cash The amount at which an asset is recognised after deducting any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

cash equivalents

Short-term, highly liquid investments, readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value. Cash equivalents are held for the purpose of meeting short-term cash commitments

rather than for investment or other purposes.

Cash on hand and demand deposits.

cash flows

Inflows and outflows of cash and cash equivalents.

cash-generating assets

Assets held with the primary objective of generating a commercial return.

cash-generating unit

The smallest identifiable group of assets held with the primary objective of generating a commercial return that generates cash inflows from continuing use that are largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets.

change in accounting estimate

An adjustment of the carrying amount of an asset or a liability, or the amount of the periodic consumption of an asset, that results from the assessment of the present status of, and expected future benefits and obligations associated with, assets and liabilities. Changes in accounting estimates result from new information or new developments and, accordingly, are not correction of errors.

class of assets class of financial instrument

A grouping of assets of a similar nature and use in an authority's operations. Grouping of financial instruments that is appropriate to the nature of the information disclosed and that takes into account the characteristics of those

financial instruments.

Those family members who may be expected to influence, or be influenced by, close members of

### the family of an individual

that person in their dealings with the entity and include:

- that person's children and spouse or domestic partner
- children of that person's spouse or domestic partner, and
- dependants of that person or that person's spouse or domestic partner

### commencement of the lease term

The date from which the lessee is entitled to exercise its right to use the leased asset. It is the date of initial recognition of the lease (i.e. the recognition of the assets, liabilities, income or expenses resulting from the lease, as appropriate).

#### community assets

Assets that an authority intends to hold in perpetuity, that have no determinable useful life and which may, in addition, have restrictions on their disposal. Community assets exclude assets accounted for as heritage assets. Examples include parks (excluding archaeological sites); cemeteries and crematoria (land only) and allotments where there are restrictions on alternative uses).

### conditions on transferred assets

Stipulations that specify that the future economic benefits or service potential embodied in the asset are required to be consumed by the recipient as specified or future economic benefits or service potential must be returned to the transferor.

### constructive obligation

An obligation that derives from an authority's actions where:

- by an established pattern of past practice, published policies or a sufficiently specific current statement, the authority has indicated to other parties that it will accept certain responsibilities, and
- as a result, the authority has created a valid expectation on the part of those other parties that it will discharge those responsibilities.

#### contingent asset

A possible asset that arises from past events and whose existence will be confirmed only by the occurrence or non-occurrence of one or more uncertain future events not wholly within the control of the authority.

#### contingent liability

- (a) A possible obligation that arises from past events and whose existence will be confirmed only by the occurrence or non-occurrence of one or more uncertain future events not wholly within the control of the Authority, or
- (b) A present obligation that arises from past events but is not recognised because: a) it is not probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits or service potential will be required to settle the obligation, or b) the amount of the obligation cannot be measured with sufficient reliability.

# component [of an item of PPE] contingent rent

Part of an item of property, plant and equipment with a cost that is significant in relation to the total cost of the item.

That portion of the lease payments that is not fixed in amount, but is based on the future amount of a factor that changes other than with the passage of time (e.g. percentage of future sales, amount of future use, future price indices, future market rates of interest).

### control of an investee

An investor (i.e. the reporting authority) controls an investee when the reporting authority is exposed, or has rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the investee.

### controlling entity

An entity that has one or more controlled entities.

cost

The amount of cash or cash equivalents paid or the fair value of the other consideration given to acquire an asset at the time of acquisition or construction.

cost approach

A valuation technique that reflects the amount that would be required currently to replace the service capacity of an asset (often referred to as current replacement cost).

costs of disposal

The incremental costs directly attributable to the disposal of an asset excluding finance costs and income tax expense.

costs to sell

The incremental costs directly attributable to the disposal of an asset (or disposal group), excluding finance costs and income tax expense.

credit rating

A standardised assessment - expressed in alphanumeric characters - of the creditworthiness of an entity raising debt capital provided by credit rating agencies to investors and analysts. Ratings also serve as a measure of the risks relating to specific financial instruments.

credit risk

The risk that one party to a financial instrument will cause a financial loss for the other party by failing to discharge an obligation.

#### creditors

Financial liabilities arising from the contractual obligation to pay cash in the future for goods or services or other benefits that have been received or supplied and have been invoiced or formally agreed with the supplier.

#### current asset

An asset that is:

- a) intended to be sold or used within the normal operating cycle (the normal operating cycle for a local authority shall be assumed to be 12 months);
- b) held primarily for the purpose of trading;
- c) expected to be realised within 12 months after the reporting date; or
- d) cash or a cash equivalent unless the asset is restricted from being exchanged or used to settle a liability for at least 12 months after the reporting period.

#### current liability

A liability that:

- a) is expected to be settled in the normal operating cycle (the normal operating cycle for a local authority shall be assumed to be 12 months)
- b) is held primarily for the purpose of trading
- c) is due to be settled within 12 months after the reporting period, or
- d) the authority does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement of for at least 12 months after the reporting period.

#### currency risk

The risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates.

### current replacement cost

The cost the authority would incur to acquire the asset on the reporting date.

#### current service cost

The increase in the present value of a defined benefit obligation resulting from employee service in the current period.

## current value (for land and buildings)

The amount that would be exchanged for the asset in its existing use. Current value measurement bases include

- existing use value (EUV) defined in accordance with UKVS 1.3 Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS) Valuation – Professional Standards (RICS, January 2014, as revised April 2015) for assets providing service potential to the authority where an active market exists, and
- depreciated replacement cost for assets where there is no market and/or the asset is specialised.

#### debtors

Financial assets not traded in an active market with fixed or determinable payments that are contractual rights to receive cash or cash equivalents.

#### deficit or surplus of a defined benefit pension scheme

(a) the present value of the defined benefit obligation less

(b) the fair value of plan assets (if any).

## defined benefit (pension) plan

A post-employment benefit plan other than a defined contribution plan. Under a defined benefit plan the amounts paid as retirement benefits are determined independently of the investments of the plan by reference to a formula - usually based on an employees' earnings and /or years of service.

Defined benefit plans include both funded schemes such as the Local Government Pension Scheme and unfunded (pay as you go) schemes.

# defined contribution plan

A post-employment benefit plan under which an authority pays fixed contributions into a separate entity (a fund) and will have no legal or constructive obligation to pay further contributions if the fund does not hold sufficient assets to pay all employee benefits relating to employee service in the current and prior periods. The level of benefits depends on the value of the contributions paid in respect of each member and the investment performance achieved on those contributions.

#### demand deposit

Interest bearing bank account not available to be used for cheques or other similar payments. Interest is usually paid at fixed intervals typically quarterly or annually. Normally repayable on demand without penalty although notice period may apply in some circumstances.

### depreciable amount

depreciation (amortisation)

depreciated

The cost of an asset, or other amount substituted for cost, less residual value.

The systematic allocation of the depreciable amount of an asset over its useful

A method of valuation which provides the current cost of replacing an asset with

replacement cost (DRC) - instant build approach

its modern equivalent asset less deductions for all physical deterioration and all relevant forms of obsolescence and optimisation. The 'instant build' approach excludes from the valuation any allowance for borrowing costs incurred over an assets construction period.

derecognition (of a financial asset or liability)

The removal of a previously recognised financial asset or financial liability from an authority' Balance Sheet.

derivative

A financial instrument or other contract within the scope of [IAS 39] with all three of the following characteristics:

- (a) Its value changes in response to the change in a specified interest rate, financial instrument price, commodity price, foreign exchange rate, index of prices or rates, credit rating or credit index, or other variable, provided in the case of a non-financial variable that the variable is not specific to a party to the contract (sometimes called the "underlying"):
- (b) It requires no initial net investment or an initial net investment that is smaller than would be required for other types of contracts that would be expected to have a similar response to changes in market factors; and
- (c) It is settled at a future date.

discontinued operation

An activity of an authority that ceases completely. Responsibilities transferred from one part of the public sector to another are not discontinued operations.

discretionary benefits Retirement benefits which the employer has no legal, contractual or constructive obligation to award and are awarded under the authority's discretionary powers.

disposal group

A group of assets to be disposed of, by sale or otherwise, together as a group in a single transaction, and liabilities directly associated with those assets that will be transferred in the transaction.

donated assets

Assets (including heritage assets) transferred at nil value or acquired at less than

fair value.

earmarked reserves

Amounts set aside for a specific purpose to meet future commitments or potential liabilities, for which it is not appropriate to establish provisions.

economic life

Either:

- (a) the period over which an asset is expected to yield economic benefits or service potential to one or more users; or
- (b) the number of production or similar units expected to be obtained from the asset by one or more users.

effective interest method

A method of calculating the amortised cost of a financial asset or a financial liability (or group of financial assets or financial liabilities) and of allocating the interest income or interest expense over the relevant period.

effective interest rate

The interest rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments or receipts through the expected life of the financial instrument or, when appropriate, a shorter period to the net carrying amount of the financial asset or financial liability.

employee benefits

All forms of consideration given by an authority in exchange for service rendered by employees or for the termination of employment.

entry price

The price paid to acquire an asset or received to assume a liability in an exchange transaction.

equity instrument

A contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of an entity after deducting all of its liabilities.

equity method

A method of accounting whereby the investment is initially recognised at cost and adjusted thereafter for the post-acquisition change in the investor's share of net assets of the investee. The reporting authority's Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services includes its share of the investee's profit or loss and the reporting authority's Other Comprehensive Income and Expenditure includes its share of the investee's Other Comprehensive Income and Expenditure.

events after the reporting date

Those events, both favourable and unfavourable that occur between the end of the reporting period and the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue. They include:

a) those events that provide evidence of conditions that existed at the end of the reporting period (adjusting events after the reporting period), and

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b) those that are indicative of conditions that arose after the reporting period (non-adjusting events after the reporting period).

exchange transactions

Transactions in which one entity receives assets or services, or has liabilities extinguished and directly gives approximately equal value (primarily in the form of cash, goods, services, or use of assets) to another entity in exchange.

executory contracts

Contracts under which neither party has performed any of its obligations or both parties have partially performed their obligations to an equal extent.

existing use value

The estimated amount for which an asset or liability should exchange on the valuation date between a willing buyer and a willing seller in an arm's-length transaction after proper marketing and where the parties had acted knowledgeably, prudently and without compulsion, assuming that the buyer is granted vacant possession of all parts of the asset required by the business, and disregarding potential alternative uses and any other characteristics of the asset that would cause its market value to differ from that needed to replace the remaining service potential at least cost.

exit price expenses

The price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability.

Decreases in economic benefits or service potential during the reporting period in the form of outflows or consumption of assets or increases of liabilities that result in decreases in reserves. Expenses include expenses that arise in the course of the ordinary activities and losses such as revaluation of non-current

assets.

fair value

The price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

fair value less costs to sell

The amount obtainable from the sale of an asset (or cash-generating unit) in an arm's length transaction between knowledgeable, willing parties, less costs of disposal.

finance lease

A lease that transfers substantially all the risks and rewards incidental to ownership of an asset. Title may or may not eventually be transferred.

financial asset

A right to future economic benefits controlled by the authority that is represented by:

- cash
- an equity instrument of another entity
- a contractual right to receive cash (or another financial asset) from another entity
- a contractual right to exchange financial assets/liabilities with another entity under conditions that are potentially favourable to the authority.

financial asset or financial liability at fair value through profit or loss A financial asset or financial liability that is:

- a) acquired or incurred principally for the purpose of selling or repurchasing it in the near term
- b) on initial recognition part of a portfolio of identified financial instruments that are managed together and for which there is evidence of a recent actual pattern of short-term profit-taking, or
- c) a derivative (except for a derivative that is a financial guarantee contract or a designated and effective hedging instrument).

financial guarantee contract

A contract that requires the issuer to make specified payments to reimburse the holder for a loss it incurs because a specified debtor fails to make payment when due in accordance with the original or modified terms of a debt instrument.

financial instrument

Any contract that gives rise to a financial asset of one entity and a financial liability or equity instrument of another entity.

The term 'financial instrument' covers both financial assets and financial liabilities and includes both the most straightforward financial assets and liabilities such as trade receivables and trade payables and the most complex ones such as derivatives and embedded derivatives.

financial liability

An obligation to transfer economic benefits controlled by the authority that is represented by:

- a contractual obligation to deliver cash (or another financial asset) to another entity
- contractual obligation to exchange financial assets/liabilities with another

entity under conditions that are potentially unfavourable to the authority.

financing activities

Activities that result in changes in the size and composition of the principal,

received from or repaid to external providers of finance.

future economic benefit or service potential Economic benefits refer to the potential to contribute directly or indirectly to the flow of cash and cash equivalents to an entity. Service potential indicates the capacity of an asset to provide goods and services in accordance with an entity's objectives, without necessarily generating any net in-flows of cash and cash equivalents.

gilts

UK government securities issued by HM Treasury

going concern assumption

The assumption that the functions of the authority will continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Transfers of services under combinations of public sector bodies (such as local government reorganisation) do not negate the presumption of going concern.

grants and contributions

Assistance in the form of transfers of resources to an authority in return for past or future compliance with certain conditions relating to the operation of activities. They exclude those forms of assistance which cannot reasonably have a value placed upon them and transactions with organisations which cannot be distinguished from the normal service transactions of the authority.

gross investment in the lease

The aggregate of:

(a) the minimum lease payments receivable by the lessor under a finance lease; and

(b) any unguaranteed residual value accruing to the lessor.

group

A parent and all its subsidiaries.

group accounts

The financial statements of a group in which the assets, liabilities, reserves, income, expenses and cash flows of the parent (reporting authority) and its subsidiaries plus the investments in associates and interests in joint ventures are presented as those of a single economic entity.

government

Central government, government agencies and similar bodies whether local, national or international.

government-related entity

An entity that is controlled, jointly controlled or significantly influenced by a government.

guaranteed residual value

For a lessee, that part of the residual value that is guaranteed by the lessee or by a party related to the lessee (the amount of the guarantee being the maximum amount that could, in any event, become payable); and

For a lessor, that part of the residual value that is guaranteed by the lessee, or by a third party unrelated to the lessor, that is financially capable of discharging the obligations under the guarantee.

highest and best use

The use of a non-financial asset by market participants that would maximise the value of the asset or the group of assets and liabilities (e.g. a business) within which the asset would be used.

historical cost (of property, plant and equipment) The carrying amount of an asset as at 1 April 2007 (i.e. b/f from 31 March 2007) or at the date of acquisition, whichever date is the later, and adjusted for subsequent depreciation or impairment (if applicable).

heritage assets

Assets that are intended to be preserved in trust for future generations because of their cultural, environmental or historical associations. They are held by the reporting authority in pursuit of its overall objectives in relation to the maintenance of heritage. Heritage assets include historical buildings, archaeological sites, military and scientific equipment of historical importance, historic motor vehicles, civic regalia, orders and decorations (medals), museum and gallery collections and works of art.

identifiable (asset)

An asset is identifiable if it either:

(a) is separable, i.e. capable of being separated or divided from the entity and sold, transferred, licensed, rented or exchanged, either individually or together with a related contract, asset or liability; or

(b) arises from contractual or other legal rights, regardless of whether those rights are transferable or separable from the entity or from other rights and obligations.

impairment loss

The amount by which the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its recoverable

amount.

impracticable Applying a requirement is impracticable when the authority cannot apply it after

making every reasonable effort to do so.

inception of the

lease

The earlier of the date of the lease agreement and the date of commitment by

the parties to the principal provisions of the lease.

**income** See 'revenue'

**income approach** A valuation technique that converts future amounts (e.g. cash flows or income

and expenses) to a single current (i.e. discounted) amount. The fair value measurement is determined on the basis of the value indicated by current market

expectations about those future amounts.

income from a structured entity

Income that includes but is not limited to, recurring and non-recurring fees, interest, dividends, gains or losses on the remeasurement or derecognition of interests in structured entities and gains or losses from the transfer of assets and

liabilities to the structured entity.

infrastructure assets Inalienable assets, expenditure on which is only recoverable by continued use of

the asset created, i.e. there is no prospect of sale or alternative use; examples include highways, structural maintenance of highways, footpaths, bridges,

permanent ways, coastal defences, water and drainage systems).

initial direct costs (of a lease) inputs Incremental costs that are directly attributable to negotiating and arranging a lease, except for such costs incurred by manufacturer or trader lessors.

The assumptions that market participants would use when pricing the asset or liability, including assumptions about risk, such as the following:

a) the risk inherent in a particular valuation technique used to measure fair value

(such as a pricing model), and b) the risk inherent in the inputs to the valuation technique.

Inputs may be observable or unobservable.

input tax

VAT charged on purchases.

intangible asset

An identifiable non-monetary asset without physical substance. It must be controlled by the authority as a result of past events, and future economic benefits or service potential must be expected to flow from the intangible asset to the authority. The most common class of intangible asset in local authorities is computer software.

intangible heritage

asset

An intangible asset with cultural, environmental or historical significance. Examples of intangible heritage assets include recordings of significant historical events

interest in another entity

Contractual and non-contractual involvement that exposes a reporting authority to variability of returns from the performance of the other entity. An interest in another entity can be evidenced by, but is not limited to, the holding of equity or debt instruments as well as other forms of involvement such as the provision of funding, liquidity support, credit enhancement and guarantees. It includes the means by which an entity has control or joint control of, or significant influence over, another entity. A reporting authority does not necessarily have an interest in another entity solely because of a typical customer—supplier relationship.

interest rate implicit in the lease

The discount rate that, at the inception of the lease, causes the aggregate present value of: (a) the minimum lease payments; and (b) the unguaranteed residual value to be equal to the sum of (i) the fair value of the leased asset, and (ii) any initial direct costs of the lessor.

interest rate risk

The risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates.

inventories

Assets:

a) in the form of materials or supplies to be consumed in the production process b) in the form of materials or supplies to be consumed or distributed in the

rendering of services

c) held for sale or distribution in the ordinary course of operations, or

d) in the process of production for sale or distribution.

investing activities

Activities are the acquisition and disposal of long-term assets and other investments not included in cash equivalents.

investment property Property (land or a building, or part of a building, or both) held solely to earn

rentals or for capital appreciation or both, rather than for; a) use in the production or supply of goods or services or for administrative purposes, or b) sale in the

ordinary course of operations.

joint arrangement

An arrangement of which two or more parties have joint control.

joint control The contractually agreed sharing of control of an arrangement, which exists only

when decisions about the relevant activities require the unanimous consent of

the parties sharing control.

A joint arrangement whereby the parties that have joint control of the joint operation

arrangement have rights to the assets, and obligations for the liabilities, relating

to the arrangement.

joint operator joint venture

A party to a joint operation that has joint control of that joint operation. A joint arrangement whereby the parties that have joint control of the

arrangement have rights to the net assets of the arrangement.

joint venturer

A party to a joint venture that has joint control of that joint venture.

key management personnel

All chief officers (or equivalent), elected members, chief executive of the authority and other persons having the authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the authority, including the oversight of

these activities.

An agreement whereby the lessor conveys to the lessee in return for a payment lease

or series of payments the right to use an asset for an agreed period of time.

The non-cancellable period for which the lessee has contracted to lease the lease term

asset, together with any further terms for which the lessee has the option to continue to lease the asset, with or without further payment, when at the inception of the lease it is reasonably certain that the lessee will exercise the

option

legal obligation An obligation that derives from a contract (through its explicit or implicit terms);

legislation, or other operation of law.

lessee's incremental borrowing rate of interest

The rate of interest the lessee would have to pay on a similar lease or, if that is not determinable, the rate that, at the inception of the lease, the lessee would incur to borrow over a similar term, and with a similar security, the funds

necessary to purchase the asset.

Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that level 1 inputs

the authority can access at the measurement date

level 2 inputs Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for

the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly

level 3 inputs

Unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

liabilities Present obligations of the authority arising from past events, the settlement of

which is expected to result in an outflow from the authority of resources

embodying economic benefits or service potential.

The risk that an entity will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated liquidity risk

with financial liabilities that are settled by delivering cash or another financial

asset.

loans and receivables Non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not

quoted in an active market other than those

a) that the authority intends to sell immediately or in the near term, (and

classified as fair value through profit or loss), or

b) for which the holder may not recover substantially all of its initial investment,

other than because of credit deterioration (and classified as available-for-sale).

loans payable market approach Financial liabilities, other than short-term trade payables on normal credit terms.

A valuation technique that uses prices and other relevant information generated by market transactions involving identical or comparable (i.e. similar) assets,

liabilities or a group of assets and liabilities, such as a business.

Buyers and sellers in the principal (or most advantageous) market for the asset market participants or liability that have all of the following characteristics:

> a) They are independent of each other, i.e. they are not related parties as defined in IAS 24, although the price in a related party transaction may be

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- used as an input to a fair value measurement if the entity has evidence that the transaction was entered into at market terms.
- b) They are knowledgeable, having a reasonable understanding about the asset or liability and the transaction using all available information, including information that might be obtained through due diligence efforts that are usual and customary.
- c) They are able to enter into a transaction for the asset or liability.
- d) They are willing to enter into a transaction for the asset or liability, i.e. they are motivated but not forced or otherwise compelled to do so.

#### market risk

The risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices. Market risk comprises three types of risk: currency risk, interest rate risk, and other price risk.

#### material

Omissions or misstatements of items are material if they could, individually or collectively, influence the decisions or assessments of users made on the basis of the financial statements. Materiality depends on the nature or size of the omission or misstatement judged in the surrounding circumstances. The nature or size of the item, or a combination of both, could be the determining factor.

### minimum lease payments

The payments over the lease term that the lessee is, or can be, required to make, excluding contingent rent, costs for services and, where appropriate, taxes to be paid by and reimbursed to the lessor, together with:

- (a) for a lessee, any amounts guaranteed by the lessee or by a party related to the lessee: or
- (b) for a lessor, any residual value guaranteed to the lessor by:(i) the lessee; (ii) a party related to the lessee; or (iii) a third party unrelated to the lessor that is financially capable of discharging the obligations under the guarantee.

However, if the lessee has an option to purchase the asset at a price that is expected to be sufficiently lower than the fair value at the date the option becomes exercisable for it to be reasonably certain, at the inception of the lease, that the option will be exercised, the minimum lease payments comprise the minimum payments payable over the lease term to the expected date of exercise of this purchase option and the payment required to exercise it.

## minimum revenue provision (MRP)

The minimum amount that must be set aside from the General Fund to meet the capital cost of expenditure funded by borrowing or credit arrangements, that is capital expenditure not financed from grants, revenue contributions or capital receipts.

## minority interest money market fund

The equity in a subsidiary not attributable, directly or indirectly, to a parent. A regulated, stand-alone pooled investment vehicle which actively invests its assets in a diversified portfolio of mainly high grade, short-term money market instruments such as bank deposits, certificates of deposit and commercial paper. Money market funds may also hold other types of securities such as floating rate notes and fixed rate bonds which have only a short time until their maturity.

### most advantageous market

The market that maximises the amount that would be received to sell the asset or minimises the amount that would be paid to transfer the liability, after taking into account transaction costs and transport costs.

### multi-employer plans

Defined contribution plans (other than state plans) or defined benefit plans (other than state plans) that:

- a) pool the assets contributed by various entities that are not under common control, and
- b) use those assets to provide benefits to employees of more than one entity, on the basis that contribution and benefit levels are determined without regard to the identity of the entity that employs the employees concerned.

#### net book value net defined benefit liability (asset)

See 'carrying amount'

net interest on the net defined benefit liability (asset) The deficit or surplus, adjusted for any effect of limiting a net defined benefit asset to the asset ceiling.

net investment in the lease

The change during the period in the net defined benefit liability (asset) that arises from the passage of time.

The gross investment in the lease discounted at the interest rate implicit in the lease.

net realisable value (of inventories)

The estimated selling price in the ordinary course of operations less the estimated costs of completion and the estimated costs necessary to make the sale, exchange or distribution.

non-cancellable lease

A lease that is cancellable only:

- (a) upon the occurrence of some remote contingency;
- (b) with the permission of the lessor;
- (c) if the lessee enters into a new lease for the same or an equivalent asset with the same lessor; or
- (d) upon payment by the lessee of such an additional amount that, at inception of the lease, continuation of the lease is reasonably certain.

non-cash generating assets

Assets other than cash-generating assets.

non-current assets held for sale

Non-current assets whose carrying amount will be recovered principally through a sale transaction rather than through continued use.

non-current asset

An asset that does not meet the definition of a current asset. Non-current asset include those assets – such as property, plant and equipment - that provide benefits to the authority for a period of more than one year.

non-exchange transactions

Transactions that are not exchange transactions. In a non-exchange transaction, an authority either receives value from another entity without directly giving approximately equal value in exchange, or gives value to another entity without directly receiving approximately equal value in exchange directly receiving approximately equal value in exchange.

non-operational assets

Assets held but not occupied, used or consumed in the production or supply of goods and services, for rental to others, or for administrative purposes. Non-operational assets include surplus assets and assets under construction.

non-performance risk

The risk that an entity will not fulfil an obligation. Non-performance risk includes, but may not be limited to, the entity's own credit risk.

non-specified investments

Investments not meeting the definition of 'specified investments'.

notes

Notes contain information in addition to that presented in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure, Movement in Reserves Statement, Balance Sheet and Cash Flow Statement. Notes provide narrative descriptions or disaggregations of items presented in those statements and information about items that do not qualify for recognition in those statements.

obligating event

An event that creates a legal or constructive obligation that results in an authority having no realistic alternative to settling that obligation.

observable inputs

Inputs that are developed using market data, such as publicly available information about actual events or transactions, and that reflect the assumptions that market participants would use when pricing the asset or liability.

onerous contract

A contract for the exchange of assets or services in which the unavoidable costs of meeting the obligations under the contract exceed the economic benefits or service potential expected to be received under it.

operating activities operational assets

The activities of the authority that are not investing or financing activities. Assets occupied, used or consumed in the production or supply of goods and services for which it has either a statutory or discretionary responsibility, for rental to others, or for administrative purposes

operating lease operating segment

An operating segment is a component of an authority that engages in activities and whose operating results are reviewed regularly as part of internal management reporting for the purpose of (a) evaluating the authority's past

performance in achieving its objectives and (b) making decisions about the future

allocation of resources.

A lease other than a finance lease.

orderly transaction

A transaction that assumes exposure to the market for a period before the measurement date to allow for marketing activities that are usual and customary for transactions involving such assets or liabilities; it is not a forced transaction (e.g. a forced liquidation or distress sale).

other comprehensive

Items of expense and income (including reclassification adjustments) that are not recognised in the Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services as required or

income and expenditure permitted by the Code. Examples include changes in revaluation surplus; actuarial gains and losses on defined benefit plans and gains and losses on

remeasuring available-for-sale financial assets.

other long-term employee benefits other price risk

Employee benefits other than short-term employee benefits, post-employment benefits and termination benefits.

The risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices (other than those arising from interest rate risk or currency risk), whether those changes are caused by factors specific to the individual financial instrument or its issuer, or factors affecting all

similar financial instruments traded in the market.

output tax oversight

VAT charged on sales.

The supervision of the activities of an authority, with the authority and responsibility to control, or exercise significant influence over, the financial and operating decisions of the authority.

owner-occupied property parent

Property held (by the owner or by the lessee under a finance lease) for use in the delivery of services or production of goods or for administrative purposes.

party to a joint arrangement

past due

An entity (i.e. reporting authority) that has one or more subsidiaries.

An entity that participates in a joint arrangement, regardless of whether that entity has joint control of the arrangement.

A financial asset is past due when a counterparty has failed to make a payment when contractually due.

past service cost

The change in the present value of the defined benefit obligation for employee service in prior periods, resulting from a plan amendment (the introduction or withdrawal of, or changes to, a defined benefit plan) or a curtailment (a significant reduction by the authority in the number of employees covered by a plan).

payments in advance/prepayment

An asset in respect of payments made for goods or services that have not yet been received or supplied.

plan assets

- a) assets held by a long-term employee benefit fund, and
- b) qualifying insurance policies.

post-employment benefit plans

Formal or informal arrangements under which an authority provides postemployment benefits for one or more employees.

post-employment benefits

Employee benefits (other than termination benefits and short-term employee benefits) that are payable after the completion of employment. Post-employment benefits cover not only pensions but also other benefits payable postemployment such as life insurance and medical care.

present value of a defined benefit obligation

power

Existing rights that give the current ability to direct the relevant activities. The present value, without deducting any plan assets, of expected future payments required to settle the obligation resulting from employee service in the current and prior periods.

principal market prior period errors

The market with the greatest volume and level of activity for the asset or liability. Omissions from, and misstatements in, the authority's financial statements for one or more prior periods arising from a failure to use, or misuse of, reliable information that:

- was available when financial statements for those periods were authorised for issue, and
- could reasonably be expected to have been obtained and taken into account in the preparation and presentation of those financial statements.

Such errors include the effects of mathematical mistakes, mistakes in applying accounting policies, oversights or misinterpretations of facts, and fraud.

probable projected unit method

More likely than not

Actuarial valuation method used to determine the present value of defined benefit pension fund liabilities and service cost. The Projected Unit Credit Method sees each period of service as giving rise to an additional unit of benefit entitlement and measures each unit separately to build up the final obligation. Accounting practices contained in (a) The Code of Practice on Local Authority

proper (accounting) practices (as defined Accounting in the United Kingdom' published by CIPFA, as amended or reissued

by regulations)

from time to time; and (b) The 'Service Reporting Code of Practice for Local Authorities' published by CIPFA, as amended or reissued from time to time.

property, plant and equipment

Tangible assets (i.e. assets with physical substance) that are held for use in the production or supply of goods and services, for rental to others, or for administrative purposes, and expected to be used during more than one period.

#### prospective application

Prospective application of a change in accounting policy and of recognising the effect of a change in an accounting estimate, respectively, are:

a) applying the new accounting policy to transactions, other events and conditions occurring after the date as at which the policy is changed, and

b) Recognising the effect of the change in the accounting estimate in the current and future periods affected by the change.

#### protective rights

Rights designed to protect the interest of the party holding those rights without giving that party power over the entity to which those rights relate

#### provision **PWLB**

A liability of uncertain timing or amount.

Statutory body operating within the United Kingdom Debt Management office, an Executive Agency of HM Treasury. PWLB's whose function is to lend money from the National Loans Fund to local authorities and other prescribed bodies, and to collect the repayments.

#### qualified valuer

A person conducting the valuations who holds a recognised and relevant professional qualification and having sufficient current local and national knowledge of the particular market, and the skills and understanding to undertake the valuation competently.

#### quoted in an active market

A financial instrument is regarded as quoted in an active market if quoted prices are readily and regularly available from an exchange, dealer, broker, industry group, pricing service or regulatory agency and those prices represent actual and regularly occurring market transaction on an arm's-length basis.

#### receipts in advance

A liability relating to resources received but in respect of which the relevant revenue recognition criteria have not been met.

#### reclassification adjustments

Amounts reclassified to Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services in the current period that were recognised in Other Comprehensive Income and Expenditure in the current or previous periods.

### recoverable amount (of an asset)

The higher of fair value less costs to sell (i.e. net selling price) and its value in

### related party

A person or entity that is related to the entity that is preparing its financial statements (the 'reporting entity').

- (a) A person or a close member of that person's family is related to a reporting entity if that person:
  - (i) has control or joint control over the reporting entity;
  - (ii) has significant influence over the reporting entity; or
  - (iii) is a member of the key management personnel of the reporting entity or of a parent of the reporting entity.
- (b) An entity is related to a reporting entity if any of the following conditions apply:
  - The entity and the reporting entity are members of the same group (which means that each parent, subsidiary and fellow subsidiary is related to the others).
  - (ii) One entity is an associate or joint venture of the other entity (or an associate or joint venture of a member of a group of which the other entity is a member).
  - (iii) Both entities are joint ventures of the same third party
  - (iv) One entity is a joint venture of a third entity and the other entity is an associate of the third entity.
  - The entity is a post-employment benefit plan for the benefit of employees of either the reporting entity or an entity related to the reporting entity.
  - (vi) The entity is controlled or jointly controlled by a person identified in (a).
  - (vii) A person identified in (a)(i) has significant influence over the entity or is a member of the key management personnel of the entity (or of a parent

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of the entity).

(viii) The entity, or any member of a group of which it is a part, provides key management personnel services to the Council.

### related party transaction

A transfer of resources or obligations between related parties, regardless of whether a price is charged. Related party transactions exclude transactions with any other entity that is a related party solely because of its economic dependence on the authority or the government of which it forms part.

Examples of related party transactions include sales, transfers and exchanges of non-current assets, leases, guarantees, the provision of goods and services, secondment of staff and the making of loans and investments.

#### relevant activities,

Activities of the investee that significantly affect the investee's returns.

remeasurements of the net defined benefit liability (asset) Remeasurements comprise:

- (a) actuarial gains and losses;
- (b) the return on plan assets, excluding amounts included in net interest on the net defined benefit liability (asset); and
- (c) any change in the effect of the asset ceiling, excluding amounts included in net interest on the net defined benefit liability (asset).

# remuneration of key management personnel

Any consideration or benefit derived directly or indirectly by key management personnel from the authority for services provided in their capacity as elected members or otherwise as employees of the authority.

It includes all amounts paid to or receivable by a person, and includes sums due by way of expenses allowance (so far as those sums are chargeable to United Kingdom income tax), and the estimated money value of any other benefits received by an employee otherwise than in cash.

#### reporting date

The date of the last day of the reporting period to which the financial statements relate.

#### reserves

The residual interest in the assets of the authority after deducting all its liabilities. They include usable reserves (i.e. those that an authority may use to provide services either by incurring expenses or undertaking capital investment) and unusable reserves (those that an authority is not able to utilise to provide services). This includes reserves that hold unrealised gains and losses and those that hold timing differences shown in the movement in reserves statement line on adjustments between the accounting basis and funding basis.

### residual value (of an asset)

The estimated amount that an authority would currently obtain from disposal of the asset, after deducting the estimated costs of disposal, if the asset were already of the age and in the condition expected at the end of its useful life.

### restrictions on transferred assets

Stipulations that limit or direct the purposes for which a transferred asset may be used, but do not specify that future economic benefits or service potential are required to be returned to the transferor if not deployed as specified.

#### restructuring

A programme that is planned and controlled by management, and materially changes either:

- (i) the scope of an authority's activities, or
- (ii) the manner in which those activities are carried out.

# retrospective application

Applying a new accounting policy to transactions, other events and conditions as if that policy had always been applied.

retrospective restatement

Correcting the recognition, measurement and disclosure of amounts of elements of financial statements as if a prior period error had never occurred.

#### return on plan assets

Interest, dividends and other income derived from the plan assets, together with realised and unrealised gains or losses on the plan assets, less:

- (a) any costs of managing plan assets; and
- (b) any tax payable by the plan itself, other than tax included in the actuarial assumptions used to measure the present value of the defined benefit obligation.

#### revenue (income)

The gross inflow of economic benefits or service potential during the reporting period when those inflows or enhancements of assets or decreases of liabilities result in an increase in reserves. Income includes both revenue arising in the course of ordinary activities and gains such as the revaluation of non-current

#### revenue expenditure

Expenditure on day-to-day items including the running of services, such as staffing and office costs, as opposed to capital expenditure.

revenue expenditure funded from capital under statute (REFCUS) Expenditure that is not permitted to be capitalised (as a non-current asset) under proper practices but which is deemed to be capital under regulations or capitalisation direction to classified as capital for funding purposes. Examples include:

- capital grants and financial assistance to third parties towards expenditure which would, if incurred by the authority, be capital expenditure;
- expenditure incurred on works to any land or building in which the local authority does not have an interest, which would be capital expenditure if the local authority had an interest in that land or building).

#### senior employee

#### An employee:

assets.

- whose salary is £150,000 or more per year, or
- whose salary is £50,000 or more per year (to be calculated pro rata for an employee employed for fewer than the usual full time hours for the relevant authority concerned) (and who is either:
  - (a) the designated head of paid service, a statutory chief officer or a nonstatutory chief officer of a body, as defined by the Local Government and Housing Act 1989;
  - (b) the head of staff for a body which does not have a designated head of paid service; or
  - (c) any person having responsibility for the management of the body to the extent that the person has power to direct or control the major activities of the body during the year (in particular activities involving the expenditure of money), whether solely or collectively with other persons.

separate financial statements (single entity financial statements) Financial statements presented by a parent (i.e. a reporting authority with control of a subsidiary), or an investor with joint control of, or significant influence over, an investee, in which the investments are accounted for at cost or in accordance with chapter seven of the Code (Financial Instruments). In the context of the Code, an authority's single entity financial statements are deemed to be separate financial statements.

#### separate vehicle

A separately identifiable financial structure, including separate legal entities or entities recognised by statute, regardless of whether those entities have a legal personality.

service cost (of a defined benefit obligation)

Service cost comprises current service cost, past service cost and any gain or loss on settlement.

settlement (of a defined benefit obligation)

A transaction that eliminates all further legal or constructive obligations for part or all of the benefits provided under a defined benefit plan, other than a payment of benefits to, or on behalf of, employees that is set out in the terms of the plan and included in the actuarial assumptions.

### short-term employee benefits

Employee benefits (other than termination benefits) that are expected to be settled wholly before 12 months after the end of the annual reporting period in which the employees render the related service. Short-term employee benefits include:

- a) wages, salaries and social security contributions
- b) paid annual leave and paid sick leave
- c) profit-sharing and bonuses
- d) non-monetary benefits.

### short-term paid absences

Periods during which an employee does not provide services to the employer, but benefits continue to be paid

Paid absences may be accumulating or non-accumulating. Accumulating absences are those that are carried forward and can be used in future periods if the current period entitlement is not used in full. In local authorities, annual leave, flexitime and time in lieu would usually be accumulating. Accumulating absences may be either vesting or non-vesting. Where vesting, employees who leave are entitled to a cash payment in respect of any unused entitlement; where non-vesting, benefits lapse if an employee leaves before the vesting date.

single entity financial statements

Those statements presented by a parent (i.e. a reporting authority with control of a subsidiary) or an investor with joint control of, or significant influence over, an investee, in which the investments are accounted for at cost or in accordance with chapter seven of the Code.

significant influence

The power to participate in the financial and operating policy decisions of the investee but is not control or joint control over those policies. Significant influence may be gained by share ownership, statute or agreement.

soft loan

A loan at nil or below prevailing interest rates

specified investment

An investment that is:

- (a) denominated in sterling with any payments or repayments payable only in sterling;
- (b) not a long-term investment (i.e. repayable after more than 12 months)
- (c) not defined as capital expenditure under regulations
- (d) made with a body or in an investment scheme of high credit quality or with one of the following public-sector bodies:
  - (i) the United Kingdom Government
  - (ii) a local authority in England or Wales or a similar body in Scotland or Northern Ireland
  - (iii) a parish council or community council.

stipulations on transferred assets structured entity Terms in laws or regulation, or a binding arrangement, imposed upon the use of a transferred asset by entities external to the reporting authority.

An entity that has been designed so that voting or similar rights are not the dominant factor in deciding who controls the entity, such as when any voting rights relate to administrative tasks only and the relevant activities are directed by means of contractual arrangements.

subsidiary

An entity, including an unincorporated entity such as a partnership that is controlled by another entity (known as the parent).

surplus or deficit on the provision of services The total of income less expenses, excluding the components of Other Comprehensive Income and Expenditure.

tangible heritage asset

A tangible asset with historical, artistic, scientific, technological, geophysical or environmental qualities that is held and maintained principally for its contribution to knowledge and culture.

term deposits (time deposits)

A type of interest-bearing account for a fixed period of time - ranging from overnight to 5 years - and from which the depositor cannot withdraw funds before the maturity date without incurring a penalty. Time deposits typically pay a fixed rate of interest payable on maturity although longer sated deposits may make interim interest payments.

termination benefits

Employee benefits payable as a result of either:

- a) an employer's decision to terminate an employee's employment before the normal retirement date, or
- b) an employee's decision to accept an offer of benefits in exchange for the termination of employment (e.g. voluntary redundancy).

They are often lump-sum payments, but also include enhancement of retirement benefits; and salary until the end of a specified notice period if the employee renders no further service that provides economic benefits to the authority.

total comprehensive income and expenditure

All components of Surplus or Deficit on the Provision of Services and of Other Comprehensive Income and Expenditure.

trade payables

Liabilities to pay for goods or services that have been received or supplied and have been invoiced or formally agreed with the supplier but for which payment has not been made by the end of that accounting period.

trade receivables

Amounts owed by customers (individuals or corporations) for goods or services that have been delivered or supplied, and have been invoiced or formally agreed with the customer but not yet paid for.

trading operations

Services provided:

• in a 'competitive environment' - i.e. the user has discretion to use an

alternative provider,

 to users (internal and external) on a basis other than a straightforward recharge of cost, such as a quoted price or a schedule of rates or a combination of these.

#### transaction costs

The costs to sell an asset or transfer a liability in the principal (or most advantageous) market for the asset or liability that are directly attributable to the disposal of the asset or the transfer of the liability and meet both of the following criteria:

- (a) they result directly from and are essential to that transaction.
- (b) they would not have been incurred by the entity had the decision to sell the asset or transfer the liability not been made (similar to costs to sell, as defined in IFRS 5).

# transaction costs financial instruments)

Incremental costs directly attributable to the acquisition, issue or disposal of a financial asset or financial liability. An incremental cost is one that would not have been incurred if the entity had not acquired, issued or disposed of the financial instrument

## transfers

Inflows of future economic benefits or service potential from non-exchange transactions, other than taxes.

#### transfer of a function to or from a local authority

A transfer of an identifiable service or business operation with an integrated set of activities, staff and recognised assets and/or liabilities that are capable of being conducted and managed to achieve the objectives of that service or business operation.

#### transport costs

The costs that would be incurred to transport an asset from its current location to its principal (or most advantageous) market.

### unearned finance income

The difference between:

(a) the gross investment in the lease; and

(b) the net investment in the lease.

# unguaranteed residual value unit of account

That portion of the residual value of the leased asset, the realisation of which by the lessor is not assured or is guaranteed solely by a party related to the lessor. The level at which an asset or a liability is aggregated or disaggregated in an IFRS for recognition purposes.

#### unobservable inputs

Inputs for which market data are not available and that are developed using the best information available about the assumptions that market participants would use when pricing the asset or liability.

### useful life (of a lease)

The estimated remaining period, from the commencement of the lease term, without limitation by the lease term, over which the economic benefits or service potential embodied in the asset are expected to be consumed by the entity.

### useful life

The period of time over which an asset is expected to be available for use by an authority.

# value in use of a cash-generating asset

The present value of the future cash flows expected to be derived from an asset.

# value in use of a non-cash generating asset

The present value of the asset's remaining service potential. This is assumed to be at least equal to the cost of replacing that service potential.

#### VAT

An indirect tax levied on most business transactions and on many goods and some services.

### vested employee benefits

Employee benefits, the rights to which are, not conditional on future employment.

#### **ABBREVIATIONS**

**AVC** Additional Voluntary Contribution

**BMW** Biodegradable Municipal Waste

**CAA** Capital Adjustment Account

**CFO** Chief Finance Officer

**CFR** Capital Financing Requirement

**CIES** Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement

CIFPA The Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy

**CPI** Consumer Prices Index

**DECC** Department of Energy and Climate Change

**DEFRA** Department for Environment, Foods and Rural Affairs

**DRC** Depreciated Replacement Cost

**DWP** Department of Work and Pensions

**EIR** Effective Interest Rate

**EUV** Existing Use Value

FRICS Fellow of Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors

**HMRC** Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs

IAS International Accounting Standard

IB-DRC Instant Build Depreciated Replacement Cost

IFRIC International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee

IFRS International Financial Reporting Standard

LASAAC Local Authority (Scotland) Accounts Advisory Committee

LGA 2003 Local Government Act 2003

LGPS Local Government Pension Scheme

MHCLG Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government

MiRS Movement in Reserves Statement

MMI Municipal Mutual Insurance

MRICS Member of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors

MRP Minimum Revenue Provision

**NBV** Net Book Value

NDR Non-Domestic Rates (Business Rates)

**NHS** National Health Service

NNDR National Non-Domestic Rates

**OEIC** Open Ended Investment Company

**PFI** Private Finance Initiative

PPE Property, Plant and Equipment

**PPP** Public Private Partnership

PWLB Public Works Loan Board

**REFCUS** Revenue Expenditure Funded from Capital under Statute

**RFO** Responsible Finance Officer

**RICS** Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors

RPI Retail Prices Index

**RSG** Revenue Support Grant

**RSL** Registered Social Landlord

**RTB** Right to Buy

**SeRCOP** Service Reporting Code of Practice

SI Statutory Instrument

SIP Statement of Investment Principles

SOLACE The Society of Local Authority Chief Executives and Senior Managers

**TMPs** Treasury Management Practices

**UEL** Useful Economic Life

VAT Value Added Tax

VOA Valuation Office Agency