Annual Governance Statement 2016/17 Action Plan

Issue	Description	Action	Current Position	Date Due	Officer	BRAG
Implementation of General Data Protection Regulations	To ensure compliance with new regulations coming into force on 25th May 2018, which aim to increase cyber- security and the protection of data	 Devise project plan and milestones Undertake self-assessment exercise and act on findings Determine response for appointment of DPO Implement scheme of staff training and awareness Maintain on-going review of guidance and best practice 	 Project plan designed and progress review mechanisms in place. Self-assessment exercise underway Training packages being investigated Discussions underway re DPO role 	31/07/2018	I. Knowles	Green
Political Governance	To maintain and re-inforce the current high standards of behaviour across all levels of democratic governance within West Lindsey	 Roll-out newly adopted Code of Conduct via training/workshops Deliver specific Member behaviour training via external provider Produce annual report to Standards Committee Work closely with Group Leaders Work with team managers and other key staff on working in a political environment 	 New Code of Conduct in place. Training delivered for Members July 2017 Regular meetings scheduled with Group Leaders 	31/07/2018	A. Robinson	Green
Partnerships	To critically evaluate and maintain the effectiveness of the Council's key strategic partnerships	 Review all key partnerships and update partnership register Report to GCLT on evaluation 	 Paper to GCLT in May 2017 setting out rationale. Review of Audit Commission's 'Governing 	31/07/2018	I. Knowles	Green

Value for Money	To complete value for money assessments across service areas and develop	 3. Raise awareness and understanding across staff 4. Implement on-going monitoring and reporting on effectiveness 1. Gain understanding of benchmarking tool 2. Undertake VfM 	Partnerships' guidance underway. 3. Review meetings TBA with partnership leads 1. VfM tool utilised and VfM assessments produced.	31/07/2018	I. Knowles	Green
	appropriate improvement plans to achieve greater value for money and increased productivity; wider usage of benchmarking and the creation of a value for money culture	 assessments across a number of service areas Report initial findings to GCLT and learning obtained Roll-out VfM work across remaining service areas Identify improvements required and plans for delivery Monitor progress through internal process 	2. Findings presented to a number of service areas with discussions and consideration of results			
Delivery of Key Commercial and Community Based Projects	To deliver at the required pace, key projects in support of the Corporate Plan which deliver benefits for the whole of the District	 Ensure effective Sponsorship of all key projects. Review delegation arrangements and streamlining of governance arrangements Effective Board scrutiny and challenge/support for programme delivery Commission audits into 'Effective Decision Making' and 'EB/Programme Board' 	 Sponsorship of key programmes and projects allocated Work underway to examine governance processes Board ToRs in place and reviewed Await 'Effective Decision Making' audit report Await 'EB/Programme Board' audit reports Await review of Commercial Plan 	31/07/2018	E. Fawcett- Moralee	Green

		5. Act on recommendations of Commercial Plan review				
Resilience and Capacity	To balance the Council's capacity to deliver ambitious programmes with the operational and management responsibilities placed on staff	 Workforce Development Plan reviewed and updated Implement resourcing plan to ensure appropriate skills/capacity in place Undertake to streamline processes to deliver greater efficiency and delivery capacity 	 Current Workforce Development Plan ready to be reviewed taking account of appraisal 16/17 needs. Outline Resourcing Plan principles in place. Work underway to examine processes of governance	31/07/2018	I. Knowles	Green
Selective Licensing	For Members to receive and consider a report evaluating the implementation and effectiveness of the scheme	 Officers to collate data and information and produce report Report to be presented and approved by Prosperous Communities Committee 	1. Scheme in place and monitoring and review of effectiveness in place	31/07/2018	M. Sturgess	Green
Development Management	To receive the findings of an audit into the service, providing oversight and scrutiny to ensure subsequent recommendations and actions are appropriately considered and implemented	 Audit to be completed and findings considered by GCLT Audit report to be presented to G&A Committee Actions to be completed and signed off 	1. Audit underway – due for completion July '17	31/07/2018	M. Sturgess	Green