

**WRITTEN STATEMENT OF A NON-KEY DECISION  
CABINET**

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| <b>ITEM:</b>   | <b>ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT 2008</b>   |
| Members Present:   | Councillors: RJ Phillips (Leader), LO Barnett, AJM Blackshaw, H Bramer, JP French (Deputy Leader), JA Hyde, JG Jarvis.  |
| Date of Decision:  | 27 March 2008   |
| Exempt:  | No  |
| Confidential   | No  |
| Urgency/Special Urgency:<br>(As defined in Constitution) | No  |
| Purpose:   | To consider and agree, in the light of comments made by the Audit & Corporate Governance Committee, the proposed framework for preparing an Annual Governance Statement as set out in the appendices to this report.  |
| <b>Decision:</b>   | <b>THAT (a) Cabinet considers and agrees the proposed framework for preparing an Annual Governance Statement as set out in the appendices to this report; and</b><br><br><b>(b) Cabinet requires the Monitoring Officer to carry out a review of the Council’s Code of Corporate Governance to ensure it meets the new regulations and guidance on the delivery of good governance in local government.</b> |
| Reasons for the Decision:                                | To ensure the Council complies with the latest regulations and guidance on the delivery of good governance within local government.   |
| Options Considered:                                      | There are no Alternative Options.   |
| Declaration of Interest:                                 |   |

**COUNCILLOR RJ PHILLIPS** ..... Date: 27 March 2008  
**LEADER OF THE COUNCIL**