

**STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS**  
**WDA/25/10**

**Recommendation**

That:

1. The Authority approves its Statement of Accounts for 2009-10; and
2. The Chairperson of the Authority signs and dates the Statement of Accounts as required.

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**STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS****WDA/25/10****Report of the Treasurer****1. Purpose of the Report**

1.1 To present to members the Authority's Statement of Accounts for 2009-10.

**2. Background**

2.1 The Accounts and Audit Regulations require the Authority to prepare a Statement of Accounts annually that complies with statutory proper accounting practice. The regulations also require the Treasurer to the Authority to sign and date the Statement of Accounts certifying that they present a True and Fair View of the financial position of the Authority for the year. This latter is a change that reflects the increasing convergence of public and private sector accounting standards, in the past the accounts were required to 'present fairly'.

2.2 Following approval, the accounts are to be signed and dated by the person presiding at the meeting.

**3. Statement of Accounts**

3.1 The Authority's Statement of Accounts for 2009-10 is attached at Appendix 1.

3.2 The Statement of Accounts incorporates the Annual Governance Statement which is subject to Members' approval elsewhere on this agenda. The final Statement of Accounts put forward for Members' approval will therefore reflect any amendments agreed to the Annual Governance Statement.

**4. Risk Implications**

4.1 Failure to approve the Authority's Statement of Accounts for 2009-10 by 30 June 2010 would lead to a breach of statutory duties.

## **5. HR Implications**

5.1 There are no HR implications associated with this report.

## **6. Environmental Implications**

6.1 There are no environmental implications associated with this report.

## **7. Financial implications**

7.1 There are no financial implications associated with this report.

## **8. Conclusion**

8.1 The approval of the Authority's Statement of Accounts is an Annual requirement of the Authority. Members are therefore asked to approve the Statement of Accounts with the Chairperson signing and dating them as required.

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The background documents to this report are open to inspection in accordance with Section 100D of The Local Government Act 1972 - Nil.