Section 2 – Accounting Statements 2023/24 for

ENTER NAME OF AUTHORITY

| | Year ending | | Notes and guidance | |
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| | 31 March 2023 £ | 31 March 2024 £ | Please round all figures to nearest £1. Do not leave any boxes blank and report £0 or Nil balances. All figures must agree to underlying financial records. | |
| 1. Balances brought forward | | | Total balances and reserves at the beginning of the year as recorded in the financial records. Value must agree to Box 7 of previous year. | |
| 2. (+) Precept or Rates and Levies | | | Total amount of precept (or for IDBs rates and levies) received or receivable in the year. Exclude any grants received. | |
| 3. (+) Total other receipts | | | Total income or receipts as recorded in the cashbook less the precept or rates/levies received (line 2). Include any grants received. | |
| 4. (-) Staff costs | | | Total expenditure or payments made to and on behalf of all employees. Include gross salaries and wages, employers NI contributions, employers pension contributions, gratuities and severance payments. | |
| 5. (-) Loan interest/capital repayments | | | Total expenditure or payments of capital and interest made during the year on the authority's borrowings (if any). | |
| 6. (-) All other payments | | | Total expenditure or payments as recorded in the cash- book less staff costs (line 4) and loan interest/capital repayments (line 5). | |
| 7. (=) Balances carried forward | | | Total balances and reserves at the end of the year. Must equal (1+2+3) - (4+5+6). | |
| 8. Total value of cash and short term investments | | | The sum of all current and deposit bank accounts, cash holdings and short term investments held as at 31 March – To agree with bank reconciliation. | |
| 9. Total fixed assets plus long term investments and assets | | | The value of all the property the authority owns – it is made up of all its fixed assets and long term investments as at 31 March. | |
| 10. Total borrowings | | | The outstanding capital balance as at 31 March of all loans from third parties (including PWLB). | |

| For Local Councils Only | Yes | No | N/A | |
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| 11a. Disclosure note re Trust funds (including charitable) | | | | The Council, as a body corporate, acts as sole trustee and is responsible for managing Trust funds or assets. |
| 11b. Disclosure note re Trust funds (including charitable) | | | | The figures in the accounting statements above exclude any Trust transactions. |

I certify that for the year ended 31 March 2024 the Accounting Statements in this Annual Governance and Accountability Return have been prepared on either a receipts and payments or income and expenditure basis following the guidance in Governance and Accountability for Smaller Authorities – a Practitioners' Guide to Proper Practices and present fairly the financial position of this authority.

Signed by Responsible Financial Officer before being presented to the authority for approval

K Pilkington

I confirm that these Accounting Statements were approved by this authority on this date:

DD/MM/YYYY

as recorded in minute reference:

MINUTE REFERENCE

Signed by Chair of the meeting where the Accounting Statements were approved

Paul Kenyon

Date