

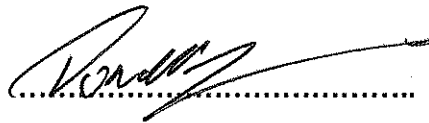
SIGNIFICANT GOVERNANCE ISSUES

82. Appendix A provides information on the Significant Governance Issues that were identified by the Council's during the year. Significant issues from the previous year are either no longer significant or have been carried forward into 2011-12.

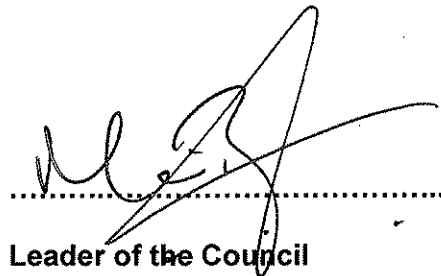
CERTIFICATION

83. We have been advised on the implications of the result of the review of the effectiveness of the governance framework by the Executive, the Audit Committee and the Governance Group and the plan to address the identified weaknesses and to ensure continuous improvement of the system is in place.
84. We propose to take steps over the coming financial year to address the above matters to further enhance our governance arrangements. We are satisfied that these steps will address the need for improvements that have been identified in our review of effectiveness and will monitor their implementation and operation as part of our next annual review.

Signed :



Chief Executive



Leader of the Council

Dated : 27th September 2012