

REPORT

**Cllr Nettle : E-Government Champion
and Cllr Mrs Warrander : Cabinet Member for Resources**

IMPLEMENTING ELECTRONIC GOVERNMENT STATEMENT

1. **Matters for Consideration:**

Members are requested to approve the Council's third Implementing Electronic Government Statement for submission to the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister.

2. **Introduction and Background:**

Attached in Appendix 1 is the Council's Implementing Electronic Government Statement. This is the third year that the Council has been required to submit a Statement. The process has been simplified this year and follows a prescribed format which all authorities are directed to follow. The Council must submit its Statement by the 10th November, 2003.

It is expected that successful completion of the Statement will result in continued Government funding for the next two years to support Local Authorities achieving the Government's target of 100% E-enabled services by the end of 2005.

3. **Conclusions and Recommendations:**

The Council has gained a significant reputation in utilising E-Government as a major tool for improving customer services. It has invested over and above the Government's funding levels to ensure that this priority is achieved.

Members are requested to:-

- (i) note the current position of the Council in implementing Electronic Government; and
- (ii) approve the Statement for submission to the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister.

4. **Background Papers:** None

5. **Implications:**

- **Financial:** Failure to submit the I.E.G. 3 Statement would result in funding not being made available to the Council.
- **Legal** : Nil
- **Human Rights** : Nil
- **Personnel:** A number of posts are currently on fixed term contracts which will need to be reviewed in the light of continued funding.
- **Community Safety** : Nil
- **Environmental** : Nil
- **Ward(s) Affected** : Nil
- **Consultation Undertaken** : Councillors' E-Advocate Group