

CAMBRIDGE CITY COUNCIL

REPORT OF: Head of Legal Services/ Monitoring Officer

TO: Civic Affairs Committee 27/6/2012

WARDS: None directly affected

CODE OF CORPORATE GOVERNANCE 2012

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The Council's Code of Corporate Governance is the system by which the authority directs and controls its functions and relates to its communities. It is reviewed annually.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 That the Council approves the Code of Corporate Governance at Full Council on 19th July.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The Council adopted a Code of Corporate Governance on 25 April 2002. It has been reviewed annually since then.
- 3.2 There are no significant changes to the Code this year. The Code has been revised to ensure that references to supporting plans, policies and procedures are up to date.
- 3.3 The format of the Code is perhaps a little tired. If resources permit, there would be merit in examining how it can be made a more interesting and useful document, and in considering links between the Code and the Annual Governance Statement.

4. CONSULTATIONS

4.1 Officers from Finance, Legal, HR and Corporate Strategy were consulted on changes to the Code as part of the review.

5.1 IMPLICATIONS

(a) **Financial Implications**

There are no financial implications to this report.

(b) **Staffing Implications**

There are no staffing implications to this report.

(c) **Equal Opportunities Implications**

There are no equal opportunities implications to this report.

(d) **Environmental Implications**

There are no environmental implications to this report.

(e) **Community Safety**

There are no community safety implications to this report.

BACKGROUND PAPERS: The following are the background papers that were used in the preparation of this report:

*Report to Civic Affairs Committee, June 2011,
Code of Corporate Governance 2011*

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