

We acknowledge as the members of:

NASH PARISH COUNCIL

our responsibility for ensuring that there is a sound system of internal control, including arrangements for the preparation of the Accounting Statements. We confirm to the best of our knowledge and belief, with respect to the Accounting Statements for the year ended 31 March 2024, that:

- ✓ We have put in place arrangements for effective financial management during the year and for the preparation of the accounting statements. *prepared its accounting statements in accordance with the Accounts and Audit Regulations*
- ✓ We have put in place an adequate system of internal control including measures designed to prevent and detect fraud and corruption and to ensure effectiveness. *staff provide independent and accept a responsibility for safeguarding the public money and resources in its charge*
- ✓ We took all reasonable steps to assure ourselves that there are no matters of actual or potential non-compliance with legal requirements and Proper Practices that could have a significant financial effect on the ability of the authority to conduct its business or manage its finances. *has any idea what it was the legal cover to do and was equipped with Proper Practices to do so*
- ✓ We provided proper opportunity during the year for the exercise of electors' rights in accordance with the requirements of the Accounts and Audit Regulations. *during the year gave all proper opportunity the opportunity to inspect and ask questions about the authority's accounts*
- ✓ We carried out an assessment of the risks facing the authority and took appropriate steps to manage those risks including the introduction of internal controls and/or external insurance cover where required. *checked and documented the financial and other risks of loss and dealt with them properly*
- ✓ We maintained throughout the year an adequate and effective system of internal control of the accounting records and control systems. *assessed its internal control system, identified any weaknesses and procedures to give an objective view on whether internal controls meet the needs of this smaller authority*
- ✓ We took appropriate action on all matters raised in reports from internal and external audit. *responded to matters brought to its attention by internal and external audit*
- ✓ We considered whether any litigation, liabilities or commitments, events or transactions occurring either during or after the year-end, have a financial impact on the authority and, where appropriate, have included them in the accounting statements. *discussed everything it should have about its matters in detail, during the year in having events taking place after the year end if relevant*
- ✓ (For local councils only) Trust funds including charities, in our capacity as the sole managing trustee we discharged our accountability responsibilities for the funds' assets, including financial reporting and, if required, independent examination or audit. *has met all of its responsibilities when, as a sole managing trustee of a local trust or funds*

*For any statement to which the response is 'no', an explanation must be published

This Annual Governance Statement was approved at a meeting of the authority on:

21/05/2024

and recorded as minute reference:

2024/41

Signed by the Chair and Clerk of the meeting where approval was given.

Chair

Clerk

The authority website/webpage is up to date and the information required by the Transparency Code has been published.

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