

# AGENDA ITEM: 10

### NORTH WALES FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY EXECUTIVE PANEL

## 20 September 2010

## **STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 2009-10**

## Report by Ken Finch, Treasurer to the Authority

#### Purpose of Report

- 1 This report is to present to Members the audited Statement of Accounts for 2009-10 before it is presented to the Audit Committee for approval.
- 2 Presentation of the accounts to both committees ensures that all Authority Members will have been given the opportunity to examine and comment on the latest set of the accounts.

## Information

- 3 In previous years the draft Statement of Accounts would have been presented to the meeting of the full Authority in June but due to legislative changes – Accounts and Audit Regulations (Amendment Wales) 2010 – it is no longer a requirement to seek Member approval before the accounts are audited. It is, though, still a requirement that the audited accounts are approved by Members by 30 September. Delegated authority for approving the accounts has been granted to the Audit Committee.
- 4 In lieu of the draft accounts Members were presented with a Financial Performance report for 2009-10 which detailed the actual spend for the year against budget and Members approval was sought to set aside money from the underspend in to reserves and provisions.

## **Audited Changes**

- 5 The accounts have now been audited by the Auditor appointed by the Wales Audit Office and have been amended in line with the findings from the audit and subsequent discussions over the accounting treatment, definitions and presentation of specific items within the accounts.
- 6 A detailed breakdown of the corrected misstatements identified in the draft accounts form part of the ISA260 report 'Audit of Accounting Statements – Report to Those Charged with Governance' which will be presented to the Audit Committee with the accounts. A summary of the changes are listed below.
  - a) Reclassification of debtors between Local Authorities and Government departments, £56k;
  - b) A prepayment which should have been included at year end, £42k.
  - c) Individualise the transactions on the revaluation of Land and Buildings resulting in impairment costs to the I&E account of £1.99m.
  - d) Correct the fixed asset note presentation of the revaluation during the year, b/f depreciation £1.5m.
  - e) The table at Annex A sets out the original position on reserves and provisions as approved by Members in the Financial Performance report and in the draft accounts and the post audit position.

## Recommendation

7 Members note the Statement of Accounts for 2009-10 and that any comments on the accounts are passed to the Audit Committee.

#### Annex A

Scheme	Opening Balance 01 Apr 09	Original Movement 2009-10	Original Closing Balance 31 Mar 10	New Closing Balance Post Audit
	£	£	£	£
Provisions				
Pension Back pay	50,000	-50,000	0	0
Ill Health Pension	264,937	-24,937	240,000	240,000
Retained Back Pay	200,000	306,565	506,565	406,565
Job Evaluation	0	85,467	85,467	0
Reserves				
Employee Costs				
10-11 budget	0	128,000	128,000	128,000
Job Evaluation	0	0	0	85,467
Operational Reserves				
	0	63,383	63,383	205,047
TOTALS			1,023,415	1,065,079