

# ANNUAL STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 2017/18

## STATEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR GEDLING BOROUGH COUNCIL

### THE AUTHORITY'S RESPONSIBILITIES

The Authority is required to:

- Make arrangements for the proper administration of its financial affairs and to secure that one of its officers has the responsibility for the administration of those affairs. In this Authority, that officer is the Chief Financial Officer;
- Manage its affairs to secure economic, efficient and effective use of resources, and to safeguard its assets; and
- Approve the Statement of Accounts.

### THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

The Chief Financial Officer is responsible for the preparation of the Statement of Accounts (which includes the financial statements) in accordance with proper practices as set out in the CIPFA / LASAAC Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting in the United Kingdom ("The Code").

In preparing this Statement of Accounts, the Chief Financial Officer has:

- Selected suitable accounting policies, and then applied them consistently;
- Made judgements and estimates that were reasonable and prudent;
- Complied with the Code;
- Kept proper accounting records, which were up to date;
- Taken reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities;
- Assessed the Authority's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing as applicable, matters related to going concern;
- Used the going concern basis of accounting on the assumption that the functions of the Authority will continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future; and
- Maintained such internal control as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### CERTIFICATION

I certify that the Statement of Accounts presents a true and fair view of the financial position of the Authority at 31 March 2018 and of its income and expenditure for the year then ended.

Signed:

**A Ball CPFA**  
Chief Financial Officer  
31 July 2018

This Statement was approved by the Audit Committee at its meeting on 20 July 2018, in accordance with the authority given by the delegation arrangements under section 3 of the Council's Constitution.

Signed:

**Councillor P Feeney**  
Chair of the Audit Committee  
31 July 2018