

Statement of Responsibilities

1. The Council's Responsibilities

The council is required to:

- 1.1. make arrangements for the proper administration of its financial affairs and to ensure that one of its officers has the responsibility for the administration of those affairs. In this council I exercise that role as the Executive Director of Corporate Resources.
- 1.2. manage its affairs to secure economic, efficient and effective use of resources and safeguard its assets.
- 1.3. approve the statement of accounts.

2. The Responsibilities of the Executive Director of Corporate Resources

As the Executive Director of Corporate Resources I am responsible for the preparation of the council's statement of accounts which, in terms of the CIPFA/LASAAC Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting in Great Britain ('the Code'), are required to give a true and fair view of the financial position of the council at the accounting date and its income and expenditure for the year ended 31 March 2012.

In preparing this statement of accounts I have:

- 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.

3. Certificate of the Executive Director of Corporate Resources

I certify that the accounts set out on pages 2 to 81 give a true and fair view of the financial position of the London Borough of Ealing as at 31 March 2012 and its income and expenditure for the year then ended, and that the accounts set out on pages 82 to 99 give a true and fair view of the net assets of the London Borough of Ealing Pension Fund as at 31 March 2012 and its income and expenditure for the year then ended.

Ian O'Donnell BSc, CPFA
Executive Director of Corporate Resources
Date: 28 September 2012

4. Certificate of the Chairman of the meeting

I confirm that these accounts were approved by the Audit Committee at its meeting held on 19 September 2012.

Councillor Mik Sabiers
Audit Committee Chair
Date: 19 September 2012