

Evidence provided to members of the Finance & Audit Committee into the review of the council's governance arrangements

1. Review of the corporate governance arrangements
 - The council's definition of corporate governance and the core principles of good governance in local authorities.
 - Findings of the annual review of the corporate governance arrangements conducted by the Assurance Group.

2. Sources of assurance
 - A. Assurance Statements
 - Assurance Statements prepared by the Chief Executive and Directors
 - Assurance Statements prepared by Assistant Directors, Service Managers and other senior managers of the council
 - Monitoring Officer Assurance Statement
 - Chief Financial Officer Assurance Statement
 - Head of Internal Audit Assurance Statement

 - B. Audit Commission and other external body reports
 - Grant Thornton – Finance & Audit Committee update for Gravesham Borough Council (presented to committee 24 June 2014)
 - Local Government Ombudsman – Annual Review Letter 2013-14 (presented to committee 17 September 2014)
 - Grant Thornton – The Audit Findings for Gravesham Borough Council 2013-14 (presented to committee 17 September 2014)
 - Grant Thornton – Letter of Representation (Financial Statements) for Gravesham Borough Council 2013-14 (presented to committee 17 September 2014)
 - Grant Thornton – The Annual Audit Letter for Gravesham Borough Council 2013-14 (presented to committee 13 January 2015)
 - Grant Thornton – Finance & Audit Committee update for Gravesham Borough Council (presented to committee 13 January 2015)

 - C. Internal Audit
 - Annual Statement on the control environment prepared by Assistant Director (Corporate Performance)