

Role Profile Addendum

Job Title:	Director of Finance (S 151 Officer)
Directorate:	Resources
Service area:	Finance

Specific responsibilities associated with this position

The Director of Finance (S 151 Officer) plays a pivotal leadership role at the heart of the Council, ensuring financial stability, statutory compliance, and strategic direction. This position provides the professional authority and visionary leadership required to safeguard public funds, drive organisational improvement, and shape the financial future of the organisation.

Key Leadership Responsibilities

- As the Council's statutory Section 151 Officer, you ensure full compliance with all legal and regulatory financial responsibilities, including the Section 114 reporting duty.
- You provide decisive leadership across Finance, Audit & Management Assurance, Procurement, Estates, and Revenues & Benefits, ensuring each service delivers high-performance outcomes.
- You lead the development of the Council's Medium-Term Financial Strategy, shaping long-term financial sustainability and delivering a robust, evidence-based annual budget.
- You champion excellent financial management across the whole organisation, promoting rigorous financial governance, strong internal controls, and transparent financial reporting.
- You work as a key member of the Senior Leadership Team, shaping corporate strategy and advising the Chief Executive, Directors, Members, and partners on financial implications of major decisions.
- You drive transformation by modernising financial practices, strengthening financial insight, and introducing innovations that deliver improved value for money and outcomes for communities.

Specific person specification associated with this position

• Person Specification – What You Will Bring

- You are a CCAB-qualified finance professional with substantial post-qualification experience operating at a senior strategic level.
- You possess deep knowledge of local government finance, statutory responsibilities, financial governance frameworks, and complex funding environments.

- You bring a proven track record of leading diverse professional teams and delivering high-impact financial strategies, transformation, and service improvement.
- You demonstrate exceptional political awareness and the ability to build trust with Members, senior officers, external partners, and stakeholders.
- You are an influential leader—credible, collaborative, decisive—capable of shaping corporate direction and inspiring cultural and organisational change.

Use this section to identify other requirements for this position.

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