Report to:	Audit Committee
Date of meeting:	8 January 2014
Report of:	Alan Power - Head of Finance Shared Services
Title:	External Audit Recommendations

1.0 SUMMARY

1.1 This report gives details of the progress made in implementing the recommendations of the external auditor.

2.0 **RECOMMENDATIONS**

2.1 That progress in implementing the external auditor's recommendations be noted.

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3.0 **DETAILS**

- 3.1 The external auditor, Grant Thornton, presented its 'Report to those Charged with Governance' to the September meeting of the Audit Committee. The report made a number of recommendations and progress is shown in Appendix 1.
- 3.2 The recommendation is made in order to give members the opportunity to raise questions about the external auditor's recommendations and monitor the progress made in their implementation.

4.0 **IMPLICATIONS**

- 4.1 **Financial**
- 4.1.1 None Specific.
- 4.2 Legal Issues (Monitoring Officer)
- 4.2.1 None Specific.

4.3 Equalities

None Specific.

4.4 **Potential Risks**

There are no risks associated with the decisions members are being asked to make.

APPENDICES

Appendix 1 External Audit Recommendations