Report to: Audit Committee

**Date of meeting:** 12 March 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.
- 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