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To: Governance and Audit Committee – 11 April 2013

Subject: **External Audit Update March 2013**

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Summary: This paper provides recent updates and information from the External Auditor, Grant Thornton UK LLP

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Introduction and background

1. In order that the Governance and Audit Committee is kept up to date with the work of Grant Thornton UK LLP, progress reports are written by the external auditor as appropriate.
2. The attached report covers the following areas:
 - Progress over 12/13
 - Emerging issues and developments

Recommendation

3. Members are asked to note the report.

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