Bath & North East Somerset Council		
MEETING:	Corporate Audit Committee	
MEETING DATE:	20 <sup>th</sup> May 2013	AGENDA ITEM NUMBER
TITLE:	External Audit Update	EXECUTIVE FORWARD PLAN REFERENCE:
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Appendix 1 – External Audit Update Report for Audit Committee

#### 1 THE ISSUE

1.1 The External Auditor will update the Committee on a range of issues affecting the Councils audit work (Appendix 1).

#### 2 RECOMMENDATION

2.1 The Corporate Audit Committee is asked to note the update from the External Auditor and the findings from Appendix 1.

### 3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 There are no direct financial implications as a result of this report.

### 4 THE REPORT

- 4.1 The purpose of the report attached at Appendix 1 is to provide the Corporate Audit Committee with a commentary on progress in delivering the external auditors responsibilities. Additional matters include
  - a) Local government accounts timetable
  - b) UK Public Sector Internal Audit Standards
  - c) Local Government Governance Report
  - d) Local Authorities (Health and Wellbeing Boards and Health Scrutiny) Regulations 2013
  - e) Guidance on local authority charging for health activity
  - f) New funding reforms for care and support

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4.2 The External Auditor will provide a verbal briefing on these areas at the meeting.

## **5 RISK MANAGEMENT**

5.1 A proportionate risk assessment has been carried out in relation to the Councils risk management guidance. There are no new significant risks or issues to report to the Committee as a result of this report.

# 6. EQUALITIES

6.1 A proportionate equalities impact assessment has been carried out using corporate guidelines, no significant issues to report.

# 7 CONSULTATION

7.1 Consultation has been carried out with the Section 151 Finance Officer.

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Background papers	None	
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