Bath & North East Somerset Council			
MEETING:	Corporate Audit Committee		
MEETING DATE:	4 th February 2016	AGENDA ITEM NUMBER	
TITLE:	External Audit Update	EXECUTIVE FORWARD PLAN REFERENCE:	
AN OPEN PUBLIC ITEM			
List of attachments to this report:			
Appendix 1 – Grant Certification Report			
Appendix 2 – External Audit Update Report			

1 THE ISSUE

1.1 The External Auditor will provide a general update to the Committee on their work, including the results of their Grant Certification report.

2 RECOMMENDATION

2.1 The Corporate Audit Committee is asked to note the report and updates provided by the External Auditor.

3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

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

4 THE REPORT

- 4.1 Appendix 1 details the Grant Certification report for the Council which summarises all the work undertaken by Grant Thornton over the period on key grant returns.
- 4.2 Appendix 2 provides an update on the External Auditors work for Bath & North East Somerset Council along with references to a number of national initiatives, announcements and publications which may be of use to the Council.
- 4.3 The External Auditor will provide a fuller verbal briefing on all 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		
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