

Purpose

1. This report provides an update on the engagements and work of the Chair of the Accounts Commission.

Engagement and Commission business

2. The engagements and work in the period of 1 July to 31 July have been as follows:

Audit Scotland engagement

- 1 July – Regular meeting with the Auditor General for Scotland
- 3 July – Work Programme Discussion - AGS/AC & Team – Stephen Boyle, Auditor General for Scotland, Antony Clark, Executive Director PABV, Mark MacPherson, Audit Director PABV and Joe Chapman, Policy Manager to Accounts Commission. Other members of Audit Scotland were present.
- 3 July – Regular meetings with Vicki Bibby, Chief Operating Officer, Audit Scotland
- 25 July – Meeting with Cornilius Chikwama, Audit Director, Performance Audit and Best Value
- 25 July – Regular meeting with Antony Clark, Executive Director, Performance Audit and Best Value
- 25 July - Meeting led by Paul O'brien, Director of Quality & Support, I&Q on Planning Guidance with Helena Gray, Controller of Audit, Jennifer Henderson, Accounts Commission Member, Michael Neilson, Accounts Commission Member, Derek Yule, Accounts Commission Member, Blyth Deans, Audit Director PABV.
- 31 July – Audit Modernisation project overview – Kenny Oliver, Executive Director I&Q and Gemma Diamond, Director for Innovation & Transformation
- Regular meetings with Vicki Bibby, Chief Operating Officer.
- Regular meetings with Helena Gray, Controller of Audit

Commission business

- Regular meetings with Jack Nixon, Executive Assistant to the Commission
- Regular meetings with Joe Chapman, Policy Manager, Accounts Commission.

Forthcoming activities

3. My forthcoming engagement activities include:
 - 8 August – Accounts Commission meeting.

- 15 August – Meeting with Theresa Shearer, Enable Scotland & Stephen Boyle (AGS)
- 22 August – attend SPI Direction working group
- Preparation for attendance at Local Government Housing & Planning Committee meetings in early September with Derek Yule and PABV Colleagues
- Preparation for attending Solace conference as a panel member

Conclusion

4. The Commission is invited to:

- Note this report and enquire about any areas of interest.