

## Purpose

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

## Engagement and Commission business

2. Details of my engagements and work since the last meeting are as follows:

### Audit Scotland engagement

- Regular meetings with: Vicki Bibby, Chief Operating Officer, Helena Gray, Controller of Audit; Alison Cumming, Executive Director of Performance Audit and Best Value
- 01 April: Audit Scotland Board meeting and strategic session (Future Public Audit Model project)
- 03 April – joint Commission/Auditor General/Audit Scotland work programme discussion
- 03 April – AC induction meeting with Patrick Bartlett, new Audit Scotland Board member
- 09 April – Monthly catch up with Stephen Boyle, Auditor General

### Commission business

- Regular meetings with Sarah Watters, Secretary to the Commission, Lee Ovens, Executive Assistant and Joe Chapman, Policy Manager.
- Throughout the month – Commission members' appraisals
- 02 April – Best Value follow-up meeting at Fife Council alongside Carol Evans, Malcolm Bell, Nichola Brown and Sarah Watters
- 03 April – Accounts Commission prep session with Andrew Burns, Sarah Watters, Lee Ovens, Joe Chapman and Callum Aitken

### External engagement

- 21 March – Improvement Service Board Meeting with Blyth Deans and Alison Cumming

## Forthcoming activities

3. My forthcoming engagement activities include:
  - Regular catch ups with Helena Gray, Sarah Watters, Lee Ovens, Vicki Bibby, Alison Cumming and Stephen Boyle
  - 01 May – Chair's "1st Anniversary" 'Insight' event with Helena and Sarah
  - 06 May – Audit Scotland Audit Committee and Remco meetings

## Conclusion

4. The Commission is invited to:

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