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**BOARD OF MANAGEMENT MEETING**

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Date of Meeting	21st December 2016
Paper Title	Annual Report from Audit Committee to the Board of Management
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Responsible Officer	D Watt, Chair of the Audit Committee
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Action	For Discussion

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**1 REPORT PURPOSE**

This report provides the annual report from the Audit Committee to the Board of Management which is part of the financial year end process. A copy of the Report will be sent to the Scottish Funding Council along with the final financial statements.

**2. RECOMMENDATION**

The Board of Management are asked to discuss and note the Annual Report from the Audit Committee.

**3. BACKGROUND**

**3.1** The Audit Committee should report to the Board of Management, prior to the Board approving the College Financial Statements, to inform the Board of Management of the adequacy and effectiveness of the College's internal financial and management systems controls, and the arrangements for securing economy, efficiency and effectiveness. The Report from the Audit Committee to the Board of Management is attached.

**3.2** The report summarises the business covered by the Audit Committee during the period of 1 August 2015 up until 7 December 2016, which is the final Committee prior to the financial statements being approved by the Board of Management.

**4. RISK ANALYSIS**

There are no specific risk implications in this paper.

**5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS/ FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS/ REGIONAL OUTCOME AGREEMENT IMPLICATIONS**

It is a requirement of the Financial Memorandum that the Audit Committee provide an annual report to the governing body of the College.

**6. HAS AN EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT BEEN CARRIED OUT**

N/A