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## LEARNING AND TEACHING COMMITTEE MEETING

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### 1. Report Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide a summary of the outcomes of external verification activity carried out in Glasgow Clyde College during the 2015-2016 session.

### 2. Recommendations

The Learning & Teaching Committee are asked to **NOTE** this paper

### 3. Background

The college carries out a process of Internal Verification activity throughout the year to ensure the maintenance of standards, to drive improvement and to sample assessment decisions. In addition, we are subject to external verification visits from various awarding bodies to ensure that we meet their individual requirements and to verify standardisation of national qualifications and standards.

The summary paper Appendix 1 (16.42A) is based on all external verification activity throughout 2015-16 by the awarding bodies used by Glasgow Clyde College, including SQA, City & Guilds, Vocational Training Charitable Trust (VTCT), EAL, COSCA and the Scottish Joint Industry Board (Electrical).

The scale of verification activity by SQA, City and Guilds and VTCT decreased during 2014-2015, with the total number of visits from all awarding bodies falling from 95 in 2014-15 to 84 in 2015-16. Outcomes of external verification show that standards remain high, with the college being considered fully compliant in external verification by all awarding bodies and overall there has been a 30%

reduction in the number of reports resulting in action plans / holds / not accepted decisions.

See Appendix 1 (16.42A)

#### **4. Risk Analysis**

Failure to regularly monitor external verification activity and action plans could result in the withdrawal of the right to deliver qualifications for awarding bodies.

#### **5. Legal Implications**

There are no legal implications raised by this paper

#### **6. Financial Implications**

There are no specific financial implications raised by this paper

#### **7. Regional Outcome Agreement Implications**

There are no implications for the Regional Outcome Agreement raised by this paper

#### **8. Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out (Y/N/NA)**

n/a