



Matters arising

Purpose

- 1 To update the Committee on matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting not addressed elsewhere on the agenda.

Publication

- 2 This paper will be published on the Council website in edited format, as it contains information which will be withheld under the Freedom of information (Scotland) Act 2002, Section 30: Prejudicial to the effective conduct of public affairs.

Recommendation

- 3 The Committee is invited to note the matters arising reported.

Financial implications

- 4 There are no programme fund or running cost implications arising from this paper that are not already allowed for in the Council's programme fund or running cost budgets.

Further information

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Minute	Action	Responsible	Comment
17/10 Update on whistleblowing and fraud (ACC/17/02) (March 2017)	The Committee agreed that an update on the final result of the 2017 National Fraud Initiative (NFI) would be provided at the June Committee meeting.	Fiona O'Neill	SFC was informed of nineteen incidences that required investigation from the NFI. The explanations for these incidences were provided to the NFI on 22 May 2017, as a result a zero outcome was reported from the NFI for SFC.
17/17 Matters arising (ACC/17/11) (June 2017)	The Committee also noted the SFC ICT security model and agreed that specific queries from Committee members would be responded to by correspondence.	Martin Fairbairn	The further information was provided on 30 August 2017.
17/21 Internal audit reports (ACC/17/15) (June 2017)	The Committee agreed that consideration be given to the practicality of implementing the outstanding recommendation noted in the Follow-up report, that progress be made on this outstanding item, and that an update be provided to the September meeting.	Martin Fairbairn/ Lorna MacDonald	See paper ACC/17/26 (Follow up of internal audit recommendations.)
17/22 ISA 260 covering letter (ACC/17/18) (June 2017)	The Committee agreed to advise that the Interim Chief Executive sign the Letter of Representation as drafted in the paper.	John Kemp	The Interim Chief Executive signed the Letter of Representation on 23 June 2017.

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17/26 Approval of the Scottish Further and Higher Education Funding Council annual report and accounts for year ended 31 March 2017 (Oral) (June 2017)	Following consideration of SFC’s draft report and accounts, including the annual governance statement, the draft letter of representation and the internal and external auditors’ annual reports, the Committee agreed that there were no matters relating to the draft annual report and accounts in respect of audit or internal control that prevented approval of the Scottish Further and Higher Education Funding Council annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 March 2017.	John Kemp	The annual report and accounts were presented to the Council Board on 23 June 2017 and subsequently signed by the Chair and Interim Chief Executive.
17/27 Audit and Compliance Committee draft annual report (ACC/17/20) (June 2017)	The Committee agreed that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Following update of the remaining sections, authority was delegated to the Chair to finalise the report. • The finalised Audit and Compliance Committee report would be presented to the June Council Board meeting. 	Martin Fairbairn	The report was finalised and presented to the 23 June Council Board meeting.