

AUDIT SCOTLAND REPORT – ‘MAINTAINING SCOTLAND’S ROADS’

1. SUMMARY

- 1.1 On 17 May 2013 the Accounts Commission published its report Maintaining Scotland’s Roads; an audit update on Council’s progress. The 2013 report provides detail on how Councils across Scotland have responded to recommendations from the report dated February 2011 Maintaining Scotland’s Roads, a follow up report. Both the 2011 and 2013 reports provide progress reports on the original document published in November 2004.
- 1.2 This report also details the actions this Council is taking towards the recommendations of the 2013 report.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Audit Committee:
- Notes the actions the Council is taking towards the recommendations from the ‘Maintaining Scotland’s Roads’ report and;
 - Notes the Audit Scotland report.

3. DETAILS

- 3.1 Appendix 1 to this report tabulates the five conclusions and recommendations contained in Audit Scotland’s report and details the actions the Council are taking to achieve the recommendations contained in the Audit Scotland report.
- 3.2 The report ‘Maintaining Scotland’s Roads’ is welcomed. The Council’s strategic approach to roads maintenance aligns with the recommendations contained in Audit Scotland’s report. The Councils Annual Status and Options Report, the first edition of which will be reported to Council in October will report the Councils roads maintenance performance.
- 3.3 The report from Audit Scotland attached at Appendix 2 details progress since the 2011 report and sets out five conclusions and recommendations.

4. CONCLUSION

- 4.1 This report introduces the Audit Scotland report 'Maintaining Scotland's Roads' 2013 and provides detail on how Councils across Scotland have responded to recommendations from the report dated February 2011 'Maintaining Scotland's Roads', a follow up report.
- 4.2 This report also provides details of the actions this Council are taking to achieve the conclusions and recommendations contained in the Audit Scotland report 2013.

5. IMPLICATIONS

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| 5.1 | Policy | As contained within the paper |
| 5.2 | Financial | As contained within the paper |
| 5.3 | Legal | None |
| 5.4 | HR | None |
| 5.5 | Equalities | None |
| 5.6 | Risk | As contained within the paper |
| 5.7 | Customer Services | None |

6. APPENDICES

Appendix 1 – Council actions towards the recommendations contained in the Audit Scotland Report

Appendix 2 - Maintaining Scotland's Roads - An audit update on councils' progress

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