Local Government and Transport Committee

16th Meeting, 2006

Tuesday 6 June 2006

The Committee will meet at 2 pm in Committee Room 4.

1. **Accounts Commission:** The Committee will take evidence on the report ‘Overview of the local authority audits 2005’ from—

   Alastair MacNish, Chair, Accounts Commission; and

   Caroline Gardner, Deputy Auditor General and Controller of Audit, David Pia, Director of Performance Audit (Local Government), and Gordon Smail, Senior Manager, Performance Audit, Audit Scotland.

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**Agenda Item 1**

Paper from the Clerk on report ‘Overview of the local authority audits 2005’  

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ACCOUNTS COMMISSION – “OVERVIEW OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY AUDITS 2005

1. The Accounts Commission is a statutory body which secures the annual audit of Scotland’s 32 local authorities and 35 joint boards, including police and fire services.

2. Audit Scotland provides services to the Accounts Commission (as well to the Auditor General). It has prepared and published the report “Overview of the local authority audits 2005” for the Accounts Commission.¹

3. As in previous years, the Committee will take evidence on the report of the local authority audits from the Chair of the Accounts Commission, supported by the Deputy Auditor General and Controller of Audit and senior officials from Audit Scotland.

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¹ Also available on Audit Scotland’s website at www.audit-scotland.gov.uk