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## **1. Purpose of Paper**

1.1 The purpose of this paper is to update members on progress on the Scotland project in the light of the Scottish Government's decision on 20 February to review the timetable for devolution

## 2. Project Scotland

- 2.1 Scotland remains in the re-planning phase. The Authority has reprofiled the project risks but the landscape is still shifting.
- 2.2 The Authority Chief Executive wrote on 25 May to the Joint Chairs of the Joint Programme Board to set out expectations for the re-plan, placing the onus on Scottish partners to take the initiative and come forward with tangible proposals for a model for full integration. Since then we have continued to push to see evidence that the information and knowledge we have shared has been developed into proposed model for full integration.
- 2.3 The Joint Programme Board is aiming to take decisions on a new transition date at its meeting on 25 August in order to make recommendations to Scottish Ministers for decision in September.
- 2.4 The ongoing work has resource implications and the Authority Chief Executive set out in her letter that we would reassess resourcing once the preferred model and proposed date is determined. We have since modified our own input where possible and are not prioritising activity until we see evidence of demonstrable progress from Scottish partners.

2.5 The Joint Programme Board considers progress on the re-plan at its next meeting on Tuesday 19 June and we will update the Authority accordingly.

## **3. Recommendations**

3.1 Members are asked to note the need to support the EY replanning work and to consider what further action is necessary.