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Issue

To provide an update on the progress of the project to implement the new finance system ABW and research grant management module ARCP.

Recommendation

Recipients are invited:

- To receive the report

Resource Implications

Resource requirements managed within the project framework.

Equality and Diversity

New services will be subject to Equality Impact Assessment as they are implemented.

Timing of decisions

No decisions are required.

Further Information

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Background

An action from the previous ISSC meeting held 23 Sept 2014 was to provide an update report on ABW at the next meeting.

Discussion

ABW/ARCP – progress and ongoing activity as at 5th February 2015

Progress to date:

- The top three issues relating to ARCP have been resolved:
 - Environments to support development and testing between ABW and PURE have been aligned and brought up-to-date with the live ABW and PURE LIVE environments
 - A facility has been provided to unlock projects for amendment
 - Fixes for known issues relating to the ARCP/PURE interface have been developed and tested and are ready to go live
- Data extracts have been developed from ARCP to support Management Information reporting within REN
- An Options paper has been written for REN to identify the options available for correcting migrated data in ARCP
- The ABW Reporting engine has been upgraded
- The latest ABW upgrade has been installed in preparation for impact analysis and comprehensive testing

Pending Activity:

- Testing of Options identified in the Options paper
- Manual data correction of ARCP by REN as per the Options paper
- Activation of the PURE interface in live
- Testing of the ABW upgrade (including ARCP)
- Testing that ARCP issues have been corrected by the Upgrade
- Activating the ARCP/PURE interface (once manual data correction has completed)

Outstanding issues:

- Implementation of workflow in ARCP