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Dear Brian,

Appointment of Auditor

Thank you for consulting the Authority on the proposed change of District Auditor with Mike Haworth-Maden replacing Kash Pandya (your letter to Catherine Crawford dated 6 May 2004).

Can I say first of all that we value the relationship which Kash has fostered and we regret the need for him to move on, although I understand this is in accordance with the Audit Commission's rotation rules.

I note that the appointment of Mike Haworth-Maden is for two years up to 2005/06. This of course reflects the extension of your original appointment agreed by the Commission. That decision implies that we may have a change of audit supplier from 2006.

We already have a new audit manager about to start on our audit and the new District Auditor will become increasingly involved as we move towards the handover from Kash. There is clearly a question mark over how effective the relationship will be with new personnel if at the same time we are working towards a change in the organisation providing the audit.

I would appreciate some clarification from the Commission as to its current intentions for the MPA audit post-April 2006 and the process which will be involved and I am therefore copying this letter to Adam Broome at the Audit Commission to seek a response.

Yours sincerely,

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Treasurer