

Management Board summaries

June 2011

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Month 2 financial update

The Director of Finance and Performance presented a report on The National Archives' financial performance in Month 2 of 2011-12.

The Board were advised that The National Archives will need to invest in technology infrastructure and people to support the large volumes of digital records that we expect to accession in the next few years.

Audit Committee Chair's 2010-11 Annual Report

The Audit Committee Chair submitted his Annual Report for 2010-11 to the Board. He was pleased to report that The National Archives is proactively and effectively managing its risks.

The Board reviewed the content and accepted the report.

Public Bodies Bill

The Board received an update on the Public Bodies Bill, currently at the stage of second reading.

FCO Migrated Archives

The Board discussed the recent issue of the Migrated Archives and work done with the Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO) in this area.

The Board were advised that The National Archives' Records Decision Panel will review transfers of records, escalating to the Executive Team if their decision is required. A paper outlining the Records Decision Panel's Terms of Reference will be submitted to Executive Team for sign off.

Digital camera pilot

The Board heard that the book scanners being used in the Document Reading Rooms for self-service copying have been replaced with a more cost-effective solution. Following a successful pilot with the public, images of original records can now be taken with a digital camera.

A brief visit to the Reading Rooms allowed the Board to view the digital camera system in operation.