



Subject	Mid-year report on the delivery of the 2016 Business Plan		
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### 1. Purpose

To note and discuss mid-year performance against the 2016 Business Plan.

### For Note

### 2. Terms of Reference

Under the scheme of decision making, the Board sets the Business Plan each year.

### 3. Open

### 4. Contribution to the Board's Purpose and Objectives

In delivering the Act, ARB's objectives are to protect the users and potential users of architects' services and support architects through regulation. These objectives are then reflected within the priorities and Business Plan set for each year. The Business Plan sets the programme of work for the year in order to achieve ARB's objectives and the review of performance against the Business Plan enables the Board to provide effective oversight.

### 5. Key Points

- i. The Board sets a business plan and budget each year and receives twice yearly updates on ARB's key areas of performance, typically in February and July. In addition to this report, the latest update on operational performance for the first half of 2016 is included elsewhere on the Board's agenda for noting.
- ii. The Board is asked to note [Annex A](#) which includes an assessment of ARB's delivery to date against the Business Plan between January and June 2016. The Business Plan underpins ARB's Priorities 2013-2016. As advised when the Plan was agreed in 2015, two key items of work - notably the Routes to Registration Review and the Section 14 Review - have had to be put on hold pending the outcome of the Periodic Review. While the result of that Review remains unknown, there is no

prospect of either of these pieces of work finishing in 2016, and there are knock-on effects to other projects, such as the delivery of IT developments. The best case scenario is that these two substantial review projects will commence before the end of the year and conclude in 2017/18. The remainder of the Business Plan is largely on track for delivery.

**6. Risk Implications**

A failure to deliver the Business Plan effectively could impact on ARB's objectives and ARB's statutory functions.

**7. Resource Implications**

Once the Periodic Review is announced further discussion will need to take place to prioritise the use of ARB's resources.

**8. Communication**

ARB establishes an annual business plan, which outlines the work needed during the year to support and deliver ARB's objectives, and underpin its priorities. The review against the business plan assists the Board in providing oversight of ARB's delivery of the plan.

**9. Equality and Diversity Implications**

None identified over and above the relevant section of the Business Plan.