The minutes presented for 31st Oct 2012 were agreed to be an accurate record of the meeting.

The actions were reviewed and noted, with those highlighted agreed to be closed.

John Hirst delivered his report to the Board.

The Board discussed the current status of the Business Performance Measures noting the progress being taken on the recycling and total waste measures.

Brian Hoskins updated the Board on the recent joint MOSAC and SRG meeting explaining that it was the first of its kind to include both groups. Brain reported that initial feedback suggested that both groups came away with extremely positive impressions. The full MOSAC and SRG reports will be brought to the Board in the New Year.

John Hirst tool the Board through a timeline of EUMETSAT investments, explaining how they are built into the Corporate Plan and long-term finances.

The Board expressed their regard for the extraordinary EAS results and the marked distinction of the pay section to the rest of the survey.

Nick Jobling, Chief Financial Officer, delivered the Finance Report to the Board

Carrie Piper, Head of Planning and Performance, presented the updated Corporate Plan to the Board and asked for their final comments and feedback.

The Board agreed that subject to a couple of minor adjustments, this stage of the planning process could be ratified.

Charlie Ewen, Executive Head of Data and Applications, and Matthew Dagnall, a Lead Technical Architect, presented the Board with an overview on Denial of Service defences at the Met Office.

The Board discussed the ESSP Business Plan which takes the form of a constitution between the Met Office and the other ESSP partner
organisations.

- Huw Lewis presented the Supercomputing Statement of Opportunity Paper to the Board, explaining how it will be used ahead of the full business plan to raise awareness and support of the next supercomputing procurement. The Board gave their feedback on the paper which Huw was happy to take on board.

- Paul Rew, Chair of the Audit Committee updated the Board on the outcomes of the previous day’s Audit Committee.

- The next meeting was confirmed as Exeter (Jan 29th)

- Close of Meeting