

INTERIM INDEPENDENT AUDIT COMMITTEE
28 MARCH 2013

SUBJECT		EXTERNAL AUDIT PLAN 2013/14
REPORT BY	CHIEF FINANCE OFFICER	
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SUMMARY AND PURPOSE OF REPORT		
To present the External Audit Plan for 2013/14.		
RECOMMENDATION	That the External Audit Plan for 2013/14 be considered.	

A. SUPPORTING INFORMATION

1. Members will be aware that KPMG LLP was appointed as the external auditors for the Police and Crime Commissioner and the Chief Constable with effect from 2012/13 for a five year period.
2. Appended to this report is the External Audit Plan 2013/14, which describes how KPMG will deliver their financial statements audit work for both the Commissioner and the Chief Constable. The document also sets out the approach that will be taken to value for money work for 2012/13.
3. Mr Tony Crawley, Director/Engagement Lead and Mr Mike Wood, Audit Manager will be in attendance to present the Plan.

B. FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

The External Audit fee for the financial year 2013/214 is £63,500.

C. LEGAL AND HUMAN RIGHTS CONSIDERATIONS

The statutory responsibilities and powers of the External Auditor are set out in the Audit Commission Act 1998, the Local Government Act 1999 and the Audit Commission's Code of Audit Practice.

D. PERSONNEL, EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES AND DIVERSITY ISSUES (including any impact or issues relating to Children and Young People.)

None.

E. REVIEW ARRANGEMENTS

The Committee will be kept informed of external audit work throughout the year.

F. RISK MANAGEMENT

Receiving regular audit reports helps reduce risk to the Police and Crime Commissioner and Chief Constable.

G. PUBLIC ACCESS TO INFORMATION

Information in this report along with any supporting material is subject to the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and other legislation.