

**JOINT INDEPENDENT AUDIT COMMITTEE
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SUBJECT	REVIEW OF SCHEME OF ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE DISCHARGE OF FUNCTIONS
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SUMMARY AND PURPOSE OF REPORT	
An annual review of the Scheme of Arrangements is required to be undertaken. A review of Financial and Contract Regulations has highlighted the need to update the documents.	
RECOMMENDATION	That the Committee reviews the changes to the Financial, Contract and Procurement Regulations

A. SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 1.1. The Scheme of Arrangements for the Discharge of Functions includes provision for an annual review. A review of the Financial, Contract and Procurement Regulations has been undertaken.
- 1.2. These regulations, as attached at Appendix A, have had some minor revision, primarily relating to the Contract and Procurement section. These updates have mostly been a tidying up exercise. However updates have also been made to:
 - Exceptions. Where the expenditure is to be funded from the OPCC budget, exceptions should be approved by the Chief Executive in consultation with the Commissioner's CFO.
 - New section on Pension Scheme Delegations. This was as a result of an audit action.
- 1.3. Changes to the regulations are shown in "track" to enable comparison with this document.
- 1.4. Consultation is in progress with EMPLS regarding a number of issues in respect of the scheme of delegation. Further changes may be required to these regulations depending on the final outcome of these discussions.
- 1.5. A revised set of delegated limits (FR44) has been proposed by the Force, however as this proposal has yet to be considered by the PCC, this has not been included in the regulations presented here.

B. FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Included within the Regulations.

C. LEGAL AND HUMAN RIGHTS CONSIDERATIONS

The proposals described in this paper respond to the requirements of the Police Reform & Social Responsibility Act 2011.

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

None specific

E. REVIEW ARRANGEMENTS

An annual review will be undertaken.

F. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Financial, Contract and Procurement Regulations are a key component of the risk management framework. Any associated risks will be held on the appropriate register.

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.