



**Durham Police Crime & Victims'
Commissioner/ Chief Constable**



Joint Independent Audit Committee

Tuesday 11th September 2018

11.00 a.m. – 13.00 p.m.

Police HQ, Durham

Minutes

1. Attendance/Apologies

Chair

Mrs E Davies

Members

Mrs J Flynn, Mrs D Murphy, Mr D Shingleton

Office of the Police, Crime and Victims' Commissioner

Mrs S Sahani, Mrs K Bambridge, Miss A White (shadowing Mrs Bambridge)

Durham Constabulary

Mr G Ridley, Mrs A Gardiner

External Audit

Mr C Kneale, Mr J Collins

Internal Audit

Mr S Carter

Apologies

Mr E Bell, Mr R J Humphries, Mr A Reiss, Mrs J Connor

Mrs Davies welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Declarations of Interest

To remind members of the Committee of the need to record any personal interest in items on the agenda. If a member has a personal interest that is a prejudicial interest, he/she must withdraw from the room during consideration of that item of business.

3. Minutes of the meeting held on 24th July 2018

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 24th July were recorded as a true record.

4. Demand Management Presentation

Mrs Gardner attended the meeting and give members a presentation on Demand Management. Mr Ridley added there was national shift in policing and that we were moving away from acquisitive crime. Mrs Murphy questioned what the role of the audit committee would be at this time, where the delivery of policing is changing due to budget cuts.

Mr Ridley felt this would raise awareness and deeper understanding of the current situation.

5. Budget Monitoring

Mr Ridley presented the Budget Monitoring Report for 31 August 2018 to 31st March 2019, and highlighted the following points:

Mr Ridley highlighted the larger overspend in overtime, this is due to demand across the force. This is being monitored at an Executive Level. There is also an increase in the Police Staff budget due to an increase in ICT infrastructure.

Mrs Davies suggested that due to the late arrival of papers, members should note the report and it will be discussed in more detail at the next meeting.

6. Risk Register

Mr Ridley presented a report to update the Committee on the latest Plan on a Page risk register for the force.

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7. Any other business:-

Mr Kneale informed the Committee that this would be his last meeting and Mr James Collins would be taking over his role. Mrs Davies thanked him for the work he had carried out for the Audit Committee during his time with Mazars and wished him well.

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 30th October 2018

Time: 11.00am Place: Watson Room, Police HQ

Alan Reiss
Chief Executive

G Ridley
Chief Finance Officer