

Police and Crime Commissioner for Surrey – Decision Making Record

Title: Appointment of Members of the Independent Audit Committee
Decision number: 002/2012
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Protective Marking: Not Protectively Marked

Executive Summary

Under the new governance arrangements for policing, the Chief Constable and Commissioner require their own Joint Audit Committee to provide independent and effective assurance about the adequacy of their financial management and reporting. The committee will help to raise the profile of internal control, risk management and financial reporting issues within Surrey Police and provide a forum for discussion with our internal and external auditors.

The committee will comprise five independent members, including one chairman. The chairman will be paid an allowance of £2,500 per annum; other members will receive an hourly rate of £22/hr for time spent on committee business. All members of the committee will serve a four year term of office and will be vetted.

Background

In order to allow the committee to be up and running as soon as possible after the Commissioner's appointment, an initial selection process was undertaken over the summer by the Commissioner's Chief Executive and Chief Finance Officer and the Chief Constable's Assistant Chief Officer and Chief Finance Officer. The Commissioner and Chief Constable have subsequently agreed to the candidate recommendations arising from this process.

Members of the Committee are:

- Heather Kerswell – Chairman
- Andrew Gascoyne
- Christopher Johnson
- Amanda Mills
- Vanya Moyer

More details on each of the Members will appear on the Commissioner's website.

Police and Crime Commissioner Approval

I approve the recommendation(s):

Signature:



Date: 22nd November 2012

All decisions must be added to the decision register.

Areas of consideration

Consultation

None required.

Financial implications

None arising.

Risks

The Commissioner and Chief Constable must have in place an Audit Committee to comply with statutory responsibilities.

Equality and diversity

We have sought to ensure that the recruitment and selection process was fair and equitable and that the resulting Committee is as representative as possible.

Risks to human rights

No risks.