

To: Joint Audit Committee
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Title: Internal Audit Progress Report

Purpose of Report/Issue:

To update the Joint Audit Committee of Internal Audit's progress in achieving the 2014/15 Internal Audit Strategy since the last meeting of the Committee.

Recommendation

The Committee is invited to comment on Baker Tilly's progress to date in achieving the Internal Audit Strategy.

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Introduction

The internal audit plan for 2014/15 was approved by the Joint Audit Committee. This report provides an update on progress against that plan and summarises the results of our work to date. We have issued three draft and two final internal audit reports since the last JAC in December.

The Drug and Alcohol Abuse Team (DAAT) report has been included in the Joint Audit Committee papers as a final draft. Whilst we have yet to receive formal responses to the recommendations therein, management have confirmed the factual accuracy of the report and that they are content for the draft to be presented to the Joint Audit Committee.

Summary of Progress against the Internal Audit Plan

Assignment <i>Reports considered today are shown in italics</i>	Status	Opinion	Actions Agreed (by priority)		
			High	Medium	Low
Forensic Medical Examiners (1.14/15)	Final	Amber/Green	1	0	0
Governance - Stage Two Transfer (2.14/15)	Final	Green	0	0	0
<i>Drug and Alcohol Abuse Team (DAAT) (3.14/15)</i>	<i>Draft Report Issued 22 October 2014</i>	<i>Advisory</i>	2	2	0
Follow up (4.14/15)	Final	Little progress	4	22	0
Covert Bank Account – SOCU Team 1 (5.14/15)	Final	Green	0	0	0
Covert Bank Account – SOCU Team 2 (6.14/15)	Final	Green	0	0	1
Covert Bank Accounts – Surveillance (7.14/15)	Final	Green	0	0	0
Covert Bank Account – Negotiators (8.14/15)	Final	Green	0	0	0
Covert Bank Account – SB DHSU (9.14/15)	Final	Green	0	0	0
Covert Bank Account – DHSU (10.14/15)	Final	Green	0	0	1
<i>Procurement (11.14/15)</i>	FINAL	<i>Advisory</i>	2	3	3

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			High	Medium	Low
Crime Recording Audit (12.14/15)	Draft report issued 10 February 2015				
Financial Controls (13.14/15)	Draft report issued 19 February 2015				
<i>Project Management (14.14/15)</i>	<i>FINAL</i>	<i>Green</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>0</i>
Proceeds of Crime	Fieldwork completed				
Risk Management	Fieldwork commenced 16 March 2015				
IT Review	April 2015				
Victim Support	April 2015				

Other Matters

Planning and Liaison:

We are to meet again with the internal auditors of Sussex Police on 20 March 2015 to discuss a protocol for joint working on areas of joint services. We have also had a phone conversation with the Treasurer at Surrey Police. We will provide a verbal update at the meeting on the outcome of the meeting.

We met with management on 17 February 2015 to discuss the plan for 2015/16. This is a separate agenda item at this Audit Committee Meeting. We also had a quarterly liaison meeting with management on 17 March 2015.

Client Briefings

We have issued the following e-update electronically since the last Joint Audit Committee:

- Emergency Services News Briefing – February 2015

Internal Audit Plan 2014/15 – Change Control:

At the request of management, we have included a review of the Surrey DAAT within the internal audit plan. We have used the days originally planned for the PAYE review to complete this audit.

The review of Victim Support has been deferred from quarter 4 at management's request as they do not believe processes have sufficiently moved on from our previous review in this area to warrant a further review at this time. We are currently considering when this review could be completed.

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