

Meeting: Joint Audit Committee
Venue: Hydra 119 / Teams
Date: 27th November 2024
2.30pm – 2.45pm

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| <u>Members:</u> | Ms Kate Curran Chair (KC) Mr Farhan Shakoor (FS) Mr David Macgregor (DM) Ms Julie James (JJ) MS Caroline Wheeler (CW) |
| <u>JAC Attendees</u> | Mr Dafydd Llywelyn, Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) Dr Richard Lewis, Chief Constable (CC) Ms Carys Morgans, Chief Executive Officer (CM) Mr Edwin Harries, Director of Finance (DoF) Ms Nicola Davies, T/ Chief Finance Officer (ND) Ms Karen Davies, Finance (KD) Mr Jason Blewitt, Audit Wales (JB) Ms Anneesa Ali (AA) Ms Gaynor Maddox, Head of Programmes and Change (GM) Ms Nichelle Reynolds, T/ Head of Corporate Finance (MR) Mr Neil Evans, Business Manager OPCC (NE) |
| <u>Apologies</u> | Ms Beverley Peatling, Chief Finance Officer (BP) |
| <u>Declarations of Interest:</u> | None |

3. To receive the draft 2023-24 Letters of Representation

Members considered the draft letters of representation from the Police and Crime Commissioner and the Chief Constable. Members recommended approval of the Letters of Representation.

4. To receive the Audit Wales ISA 260 Report in relation to the accounts for 2023-24

Members received the Audit Wales ISA 260 report provided following completion of work on the Statement of Accounts for 2023-24 which has been given an

unqualified opinion on both sets of accounts. Any errors identified during the audit have been corrected by officers.

CW asked if the adjusted errors were in relation to completion cut-off times. MR advised that this was the case, but measures have been put in place to avoid this in future years. EH further advised that following every statement of accounts process a post learning exercise is undertaken between officers from Dyfed-Powys Police and Audit Wales.

5. To recommend approval of the Annual Statement of Accounts for 2023-24

Members considered the Annual Statement of Accounts for 2023-24. It was noted that there had been no significant changes to either set of accounts since the seminar.

The Joint Audit Committee wished to place on record its appreciation for the work that had been undertaken by everyone to get the Statement of Accounts ready for official sign off. EH noted thanks to Audit Wales for their assistance with the process.

The Committee formally recommended approval of the accounts.

6. To recommend the approval of the Annual Governance Statement

Members considered the Annual Governance Statement and noted the significant work that had been undertaken during the process to finalise the Statement. Thanks were noted to Gaynor Maddox and her team for the work to prepare and finalise the work.

The Committee formally recommended approval of the Annual Governance Statement.

Next meeting to be scheduled for 5th December 2024