



HERTFORDSHIRE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL

CONSIDERATION OF THE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER'S ANNUAL REPORT

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RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1 That the Panel questions the Police and Crime Commissioner on the annual report.
- 2 That the Panel reviews the annual report and makes a report or recommendations to the PCC on the annual report.
- 3 That the report to the PCC takes the form of a summary of the discussion at the meeting together with any specific recommendations the panel resolves to make.
- 4 That the clerk be authorised to complete the annual report after the meeting in consultation with the chairman.

Purpose of Report

For the Panel to ask questions of the PCC on the annual report and then review the report and make a report or recommendations to the PCC on the annual report which will be circulated separately.

Background

The PCC has a duty under Section 12 of the Police and Social Reform Act 2011 to issue an annual report. The report must cover:-

- (a) the exercise of the PCC's functions in each financial year, and

- (b) the progress which has been made in the financial year in meeting the police and crime objectives in the PCC's Police and Crime Plan.

The PCC must present the report to the Panel and attend to answer the Panel's questions on the report.

The Panel must review the report and make a report or recommendations to the PCC on the report. The report or recommendations must be published. The Rules of Procedure provide that the public will be permitted to ask questions of the PCC on the annual report for up to 15 minutes before the Panel ask questions.

Statutory Consultation and Publication Requirements

The Act requires the PCC to send a copy of the annual report to the PCP. The PCP must consider the report and make a report or recommendations to the PCC on it. The PCC must respond to the report or recommendations and publish the response. The PCC must publish the annual report. It is proposed that the report to the PCC takes the form of a summary of the discussion at the meeting as has happened previously. The panel may make specific recommendations as well and these will be included if the panel so requests.

Financial Legal and Risk implications

As set out in the report.

Background documents. None.