



ORIGINATOR: PCC CHIEF FINANCE OFFICER

PAPER NO. AC 13/1

SUBMITTED TO:

AUDIT COMMITTEE

SUBJECT:

ROLE OF THE JOINT AUDIT COMMITTEE

SUMMARY:

1. The report includes the purpose and functions of the Audit Committee.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. The Audit Committee is recommended to consider the CIPFA guidance on the purpose and function of the Audit Committee adopted by the Police and Crime Commissioner.

DETAIL OF THE SUBMISSION

1. KEY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION:

- 1.1 On 14 February 2013, the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) considered and approved a proposal to establish an interim joint PCC/CC Audit Committee (Decision number 11-2013).
- 1.2 Included within the report was an extract from the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA) guidance '*Audit Committees- Practical Guidance for Local Authorities*' on the purpose and function of an audit committee. For ease of reference, this is attached as Appendix 1 for consideration by members of the Audit Committee.

2. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

- 2.1 The financial implications of the interim Audit Committee are estimated at no more than £2,500, with these costs being met from within the PCC corporate budget.

3. OTHER IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS:

- 3.1 None.

ORIGINATOR CHECKLIST (MUST BE COMPLETED)	PLEASE STATE 'YES' OR 'NO'
Has legal advice been sought on this submission?	Not applicable
Has the PCC's Chief Finance Officer been consulted?	Yes- author of the report
Have equality, diversity and human rights implications been considered including equality analysis, as appropriate?	Yes
Have human resource implications been considered?	Yes
Is the recommendation consistent with the objectives in the Police and Crime Plan?	Not applicable
Has consultation been undertaken with people or agencies likely to be affected by the recommendation?	Not applicable
Has communications advice been sought on areas of likely media interest and how they might be managed?	Not considered necessary
In relation to the above, have all relevant issues been highlighted in the 'other implications and risks' section of the submission?	Yes