

ORIGINATOR: CHIEF EXECUTIVE

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**SUBMITTED TO: ACCOUNTABILITY AND PERFORMANCE PANEL -
16 JUNE 2017**

**SUBJECT: INDEPENDENT ADVISORY GROUP ANNUAL REPORT –
2016/17**

SUMMARY:

This report presents the Independent Advisory Group Annual Report for 2016/17.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the PCC endorses the Independent Advisory Group Annual Report attached at Appendix A.

DETAIL OF THE SUBMISSION

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 The Independent Advisory Group (IAG) exists to advise and make recommendations to the Suffolk Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) and Suffolk Constabulary in:

- reviewing and improving the investigation and prevention of hate crime;
- creating a police service that is fully inclusive of diversity;
- creating a police service that does not unlawfully discriminate;
- the handling and resolution of critical incidents;
- improving the trust and confidence of Suffolk's diverse communities in their police service;
- any other aspect of the policing of Suffolk which impacts upon minority communities.

2. INDEPENDENT ADVISORY GROUP ANNUAL REPORT 2016/17

2.1 In accordance with the Terms of Reference for the group, the Independent Advisory Group Annual Report was presented to the IAG Annual General Meeting on 19 April 2017. A copy of the draft report had been sent to the PCC and Chief Constable prior to the AGM and IAG members reviewed and agreed the contents of the report at the meeting.

2.2 The report (attached at Appendix A) summarises membership, the activity undertaken during the year June 2016 to April 2017 and priorities for the coming year.

2.3 The Independent Advisory Group had nine members at 31 March 2017. Two members have since left the group and one application is currently in progress. Members have undertaken work to update the IAG materials (leaflet, logo) to clarify the role and purpose of the group in order to attract new members.

2.4 Activities during the year included providing views and advice on Positive Action Recruitment; Stop Search and Encounter and the Police and Crime Plan 2017-2021. The IAG have also received presentations on Prevent and Community Cohesion; Emerging Communities; Young People and ASB; and participated in a tour of the Contact and Control Room at PHQ Martlesham. Members observed Taser training and attended a Constabulary workshop on Ideology. Members continue to be invited to input into policy development.

2.5 Activities for 2017/18 will include observing new officer training and development, revision of IAG recruitment material and inputs from the Constabulary on Body Worn Video and Protective Services.

3. BUDGET POSITION AND FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 A review of finances is set out in the annual report. The budget spend for 2016/17 was £1,776, an under-spend of £725 against the budget of £2,500. The budget for 2017/18 will remain at £2,500.

4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS

4.1 There are no other implications or risks associated with this report.

ORIGINATOR CHECKLIST (MUST BE COMPLETED)	PLEASE STATE 'YES' OR 'NO'
Has legal advice been sought on this submission?	The originator is a Solicitor and the Monitoring Officer for the PCC for Suffolk.
Has the PCC's Chief Finance Officer been consulted?	N/A
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?	Yes
Has consultation been undertaken with people or agencies likely to be affected by the recommendation?	Yes See section 2.1.
Has communications advice been sought on areas of likely media interest and how they might be managed?	Yes
Have all relevant ethical factors been taken into consideration in developing this submission?	Yes

In relation to the above, please ensure that all relevant issues have been highlighted in the 'other implications and risks' section of the submission.

