CAMBRIDGESHIRE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL	Agenda Item No. 8
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Report of the Police and Crime Commissioner

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DECISIONS BY THE COMMISSIONER

1. PURPOSE

1.1 This report is being presented to the Cambridgeshire Police and Crime Panel to enable it to review or scrutinise decisions taken by the Police and Crime Commissioner under Section 28 of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 The Panel is recommended to indicate whether it would wish to further review and scrutinise the decisions taken by the Police and Crime Commissioner. In these circumstances further information would be provided for a future meeting.

3. TERMS OF REFERENCE

3.1 Item 6, To review or scrutinise decisions made, or other action taken, by the Police and Crime Commissioner in connection with the discharge of the commissioner's functions.

4. BACKGROUND

4.1 This report is presented to enable the Panel to carry out its functions as noted in paragraph 3. The Panel is required to review or scrutinise decisions made, it is also required to support the effective exercise of the functions of the Police and Crime Commissioner.

5. KEY ISSUES

- 5.1 The following decisions taken by the Commissioner have been notified to the Panel:
 - 24 June 2013 To approve and sign the Annual Governance Statement for 2012/13.
 - 24 June 2013 To approve the Annual Report for 2012/13.
- 5.2 The relevant decision records are attached at Appendix 1.
- 5.3 If the Panel wishes to scrutinise these decisions, further details can be provided for the next meeting. The Panel will be reviewing the Annual Report under a separate agenda item.

6. IMPLICATIONS

6.1 Subject to the Panel's need for further information or scrutiny on any of the decisions above, it may be required that further information is submitted to a future meeting of the Panel.

7. CONSULTATION

7.1 The Commissioner has made appropriate arrangements for obtaining the views of the people in

Cambridgeshire, the Chief Constable, responsible authorities and other relevant parties in taking the decisions outlined above. These decision records have been placed on the Commissioner's website.

8. NEXT STEPS

- 8.1 The Panel members may request further information about the decisions detailed above.
- 8.2 Future decisions taken by the Commissioner will continued to be notified to the Panel.

9. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Used to prepare this report, in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

9.1 Decisions records and background papers detailed at Appendix 1.

10. APPENDICES

10.1 Decision records.



CAMBRIDGESHIRE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER DECISION RECORD – CPCC 2013-014			
Subject	Annual Governance Statement		
Decision	To approve and sign the Annual Governance Statement for 2012 /13.		
Decision Summary	The Police and Crime Commissioner approved the Corporate Governance Framework and Scheme of Governance in December 2012. The governance process is overseen by the Interim Joint Audit Committee which has a responsibility to ensure, and report on, compliance with the scheme.		
	The Annual Governance Statement (AGS) is an important document in that it shows that governance arrangements are reviewed and improvements agreed, thus demonstrating to users and stakeholders how better governance assists the delivery of better quality services.		
	The production of the full AGS meets the requirements of the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2011 to review the arrangements for, and approve a statement in accordance with proper practices in relation to, internal control.		
	In November 2012, the Interim Joint Audit Committee approved an Interim (Joint) Governance Statement covering the period 1 April 2012 to 21 November 2012 (the date of the abolition of the Police Authority).		
	For 2012/13, separate Annual Governance Statements have been prepared by the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner and the Constabulary.		
	No significant control issues have been identified by auditors or other review processes. However, section 5 of the AGS refers to some areas identified for improvement.		
	The AGS was approved by the Interim Joint Audit Committee on 17 June. When agreed, it should be signed by the Commissioner and the Chief Executive.		
	The AGS for the Constabulary was also approved by the Interim Joint Audit Committee on 17 June and will be signed by the Chief Constable and the Chief Finance Officer (Constabulary).		
	The Annual Governance Statement (AGS) must be published alongside the 2012/13 Statement of Accounts.		

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CAMBRIDGESHIRE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER DECISION RECORD – CPCC 2013-015		
Subject	Annual Report 2012/13	
Decision	To approve the Annual Report for 2012 /13.	
Decision Summary	Under Section 12 of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011, each Police and Crime Commissioner must produce an annual report on the exercise of the organisation's functions in the financial year and the progress in meeting the police and crime objectives in the Police and Crime Plan.	
	The annual report reflects the transition from the Police Authority to the Police and Crime Commissioner during 2012/13, with the Commissioner taking up his role on 22 November and the Police and Crime Plan being set for the new financial year.	
	As soon as practicable after producing the annual report, the Commissioner must send the report to the Police and Crime Panel. The Commissioner must attend before the Panel at a public meeting, present the report to the Panel and answer the panel's questions on the report. The Commissioner must give the panel a response to any report or recommendation on the annual report and publish any such response in a manner determined by the Panel. The Panel will review the annual report when they meet on 18 July 2013.	
	The Commissioner must arrange for the annual report to be published.	

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Annual Report 2012/13.

Sir Graham Bright, Cambridgeshire Police and Crime Commissioner			
I confirm I have reached the above decision after con-	sideration of the facts above.		
Signature	Date 24/6/13		