



Corporate Governance Working Group Terms of Reference Audit Committee Report – 10th October 2023

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Summary

The work undertaken by the Corporate Governance Working Group is presented to Audit Committee as reassurance that good governance is evidenced in both corporation soles.

Introduction

The purpose of the Corporate Governance Working Group is to provide advice and guidance to the Police and Crime Commissioner and the Chief Constable for Norfolk on the adequacy of governance and adherence to statutory requirements.

The Corporate Governance Working Group Terms of Reference have not been reviewed since 2020. This is now providing an opportunity to review and amend, if necessary, the Terms of Reference which are attached as an Appendix to this report.

Governance frameworks

During the year, the Corporate Governance Working Group reviewed and continually updated the Draft Annual Governance Statement for the year ended 31 March 2022 which sets out the arrangements that operated to ensure effective governance in the OPCCN and the Constabulary. Because of the delay in auditing the accounts by external audit and other factors the audited accounts have yet to be signed off.

The work of the Corporate Governance Working Group included refreshing the Corporate Governance Framework, which has been updated and placed on the website.

Conclusion

The terms of reference for the Committee are to be reviewed and any necessary changes agreed by the committee and then will be published on the OPCCN website.