

Police and Crime
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North Yorkshire



JOINT INDEPENDENT AUDIT COMMITTEE

20 March 2018

**ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT 2016/17 AREA FOR DEVELOPMENT PROGRESS
REPORT**

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 This paper provides the Joint Independent Audit Committee (JIAC) with a brief summary of the progress made with the areas for development captured in the Annual Governance Statement (AGS) for 2016/17.

2. AREAS FOR DEVELOPMENT

- 2.1 There were four areas for development identified during the review of governance arrangements undertaken to inform the AGS for 2016/17. A summary of the progress made with each of those is set out in the table below.

Area For Development	Lead	Target Completion Date	Remarks
1. Develop the Local Framework of Corporate Governance to consolidate the existing governance instruments and reflect the levels contained within the CIPFA Guidance notes for Policing Bodies on Delivering Good Governance.	I/CEO	31 October 17 carried forward to 31 March 2018	The first and second areas for development are being led by the PCC CFO. Substantial progress has been made in both of these areas and at the time of writing this report revised iterations were scheduled to be considered at Executive Board prior to the end of March 18. The target date for both areas was carried forward in order to incorporate feedback
2. Review and adjust where appropriate the	I/CEO	31 October 17 carried forward to	

current scheme of delegation and consent to reflect the introduction of a Deputy PCC. This will be renamed the scheme of corporate governance and made available to staff and stakeholders.		31 March 2018	received from key stakeholders on the proposed revisions.
3. Undertake a review of the Financial Regulations, Contract Regulations and Property Procedure rules and attendant protocols. Adjust where necessary to ensure proportionate levels of empowerment and responsibility.	PCC CFO	31 December 17 carried forward to 30 September 2018	This area has a level of interdependency with the Code of Corporate Governance work. The levels of assurance drawn from Internal Audit work on financial controls provide confidence that the regulations are sufficiently robust. It is intended however that a detailed review of the instruments listed in the area for development is undertaken by the end of September 2018.
4. Ensure that internal meetings are timely, effective and reflect the responsibilities of delegates or those charged with specific functions	I/CEO	31 March 18	This area is still very much ongoing and where necessary refinements are being made to meeting arrangements to reflect emerging requirements.

3. LEVEL OF ASSURANCE

3.1 JIAC are invited to determine the level of assurance that can be drawn from this report.

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