**Notification on Publication of Police & Crime Commissioner & Group Statement of Accounts for 2021/22**

The publication of the draft statement of accounts for the year ended 31 March 2022 has been delayed as the audit of the statement of accounts for the previous year (ending 31 March 2021) has not yet been completed by our external auditors, Ernst & Young LLP due to late finalisation of the 2019/20 financial statement. This is because of resourcing issues and recruitment challenges.

The expectation is that the audit of the 2021/22 financial statements will be complete by November 2022.