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| For Comment | |
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| Report to: | Audit and Scrutiny Panel |
| Date of Meeting: | 6 June 2017 |
| Report of: | Chief Finance Officer |
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| Agenda Item: | 5 |

INTERNAL AUDIT ANNUAL ASSURANCE REPORT 2016-17

1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 To provide members with the assurance from Internal Audit work undertaken during the year 2016-17.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 Members are recommended to consider the attached report and make comment.

3. Reasons for Recommendations

- 3.1 This report complies with the principles of good governance in providing assurance to the panel members.

4. Summary of Key Points

- 4.1 This annual report from Mazars and provides adequate assurance rating for the OPCC and the Force.
- 4.2 Areas of weakness have been identified during the year, which will need to be addressed by the Force. These will be followed up during 2017-18.

5. Financial Implications and Budget Provision

- 5.1 None as a direct result of this report.

6. Human Resources Implications

- 6.1 None as a direct result of this report.

7. Equality Implications

- 7.1 None as a direct result of this report.

8. Risk Management

8.1 The areas of improvement do include audit recommendations flagged as red.

9. Policy Implications and links to the Police and Crime Plan Priorities

9.1 This complies with good governance and financial regulations

10. Changes in Legislation or other Legal Considerations

10.1 None.

11. Details of outcome of consultation

11.1 Not applicable

12. Appendices

12.1 Appendix A – Annual Internal Audit Report 2016-17