

# **LEICESTERSHIRE POLICE AUTHORITY**



Meeting           **FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE**

Date               **TUESDAY 08 SEPTEMBER 2009 –10.00 A.M.**

Report of         **CHIEF CONSTABLE / TREASURER**

Subject           **ANNUAL AUDIT LETTER**

## **Purpose of Report**

1. To present the report issued by the external auditors PricewaterhouseCoopers following completion of their work for the year ended 31 March 2009.

## **Background**

2. At the end of each financial year, once their work has been completed, the Commission publishes its Annual Audit Letter. The draft Letter for 2008-09 is attached.

## **Conclusions**

3. The Letter confirms that an unqualified opinion will be issued on the 2007/08 accounts and an unqualified use of resources conclusion will be given. Good scores have been allocated provisionally as a result of the Police Use of resources (PURE) and Comprehensive Area Assessment (CAA) inspection.
4. A representative of the Audit Commission will present the Letter.
5. There was insufficient time to prepare a response to the Action Plan before the publication date of this agenda – this will be presented to the next Audit Committee as part of its monitoring regime.

## **Recommendation**

6. Members are recommended to note the Auditor's conclusions in the Letter and agree the management response.

## **Implications**

Financial: none. Legal: none. Diversity: none. Risk Management: The Auditor's Letter reflects many aspects of the organisation's financial governance arrangements.

## **Background Papers**

None.

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