



**Lancashire
Constabulary**
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JOINT MANAGEMENT BOARD

ITEM	DATE: 30 SEPTEMBER 2015
TITLE: STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 2014/15	
REPORT BY: IAN DICKINSON	
Executive Summary The Police and Crime Commissioner for Lancashire and the Chief Constable of Lancashire Constabulary Statement of Accounts for 2014 / 15.	
Recommendation The Police and Crime Commissioner and the Chief Constable is asked to receive the Statement of Accounts for 2014/15, duly signed by the Chief Finance Officers and consider whether there are any matters which need to be considered, prior to the Accounts being formally signed off at the meeting.	
Signature Police and Crime Commissioner Date	Signature Chief Constable Date

PART II

1. Background and Advice

The Statement of Accounts for 2014/15 has been prepared in accordance with recommended accounting practice.

The Accounts and Audit Regulations 2011 require the Chief Finance Officer(s) to sign, by 30 June, that the accounts present a true and fair view of the financial position as at 31st March.

The draft accounts were submitted to the external auditor at the end of June 2015.

The Police and Crime Commissioner and the Chief Constable have to make its accounts available to Council Tax payers for inspection for a period of 20 working days, generally over the summer each year. For the financial year 2014/15, access to the accounts was between the hours of 8.45 am and 5.00 pm Monday to Friday between the 6th July 2015 to the 31 July, 2015 inclusive; with an electronic copy available on the respective websites.

The Police and Crime Commissioner and the Chief Constable must approve their audited accounts by 30 September 2015.

To provide a greater opportunity for scrutiny, the External Auditor's overall findings on the 2014/15 accounts were presented to the Joint Audit Committee on 21 September 2015. No significant issues were identified by the Joint Audit Committee however in accordance with best practice, the Joint Management Board is specifically asked to consider whether there are any concerns arising from the financial statements which need to be considered, and the appropriateness of the accounting policies which underpin the statements.

A copy of the audited Statement of Accounts is now presented at Appendix A.

2. Links to the Police and Crime Plan

3. Consultation

4. Implications

4.1. Risk

4.2. Legal

4.3. Financial

4.4. Equality Considerations

4.5. I.T

4.6. Procurement

4.7. Victims

5. Background Papers

6. Public access to information

Information in this form is subject to the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and other legislation.

Part 1 of this form will be made available on the PCC website within 3 working days of approval. Any facts/advice/recommendations that should not be made available on request should not be included in Part 1 but instead on the separate Part 2 form.

Officer declaration	Date
LEGAL IMPLICATIONS – As above	15 Sept 2015
FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS – As above	15 Sept 2015
EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS – As above	15 Sept 2015
CONSULTATION – As above	15 Sept 2015
Director to the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (Monitoring Officer) I have been informed about the proposal and confirm that financial, legal and equalities advice has been taken into account in the preparation of this report. I am satisfied that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the Police and Crime Commissioner and Chief Constable for Lancashire. Signature.....Date.....	