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REPORT TO: JOINT AUDIT AND ETHICS COMMITTEE

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SUBJECT: CONSTITUTIONAL MATTERS – TERMS OF REFERENCE

Appendix A refers

1 Issue for Consideration

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to enable Members to review draft Terms of Reference for the Joint Audit and Ethics Committee, which replaces its current Terms of Reference and to advise the Commissioner and the Chief Constable of any further comments to be taken into account by them when approving the revised Terms of Reference at the next meeting of the Joint Management Board.

2 Recommendation

- 2.1 That the Committee consider the revised Terms of Reference for the conduct of meetings for the Joint Audit and Ethics Committee and offer any final comments thereon to the Police and Crime Commissioner and Chief Constable for their consideration at the Reference at the next meeting of the Joint Management Board.

3 Background

- 3.1 The Terms of Reference for the Joint Audit and Ethics Committee were approved by the Commissioner and the Chief Constable at the meeting of the Joint Management Board on 03/03/2016.
- 3.2 At the JAEC meeting on 26 June 2017 a difference was identified between the JAEC Terms of Reference for Internal Audit and what the Internal Audit Charter stated as the role of the JAEC.

- 3.3 It was agreed that the JAEC Terms of Reference should be revised to reflect the Internal Audit Charter statement on the role of the JAEC.

4 Implications

Financial:	
Legal:	The Terms of Reference for the Joint Committee is required to ensure the areas of responsibilities delegated to it are clear.
Equality Impact Assessment:	
Risks and Impact:	
Link to Police and Crime Plan:	The JAEC provide a mechanism through which assurance can be sought and the public assured with regards to the probity, regularity and value for money of resources deployed in the pursuit of the Police and Crime Plan.

5 List of attachments / appendices

- Appendix A: Revised Terms of Reference

6 Background Papers

- None

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