



Report of the Chief Constable to the Chair and Members of the Audit Committee 27th March 2025

Executive & Presenting Officer: Ian Wright, Director of Finance and Assets

Status: For information

Corporate Governance Framework update

1. Purpose

- 1.1 To provide Members with an update on amendments made to the Corporate Governance Framework to reflect changes made as part of the annual review.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 That Members note the content of this report.

3. Background

- 3.1 The Corporate Governance Framework is reviewed on an annual basis to reflect any changes in legislation or terminology that may be relevant.
- 3.2 The Framework has been reviewed by the Corporate Services Manager, the Strategic Finance Manager and the Commissioning and Procurement Manager to ensure continuing accuracy and relevance and a number of changes have been/will be made.
- 3.3 A summary of the amendments that have been made is shown below:

Para	Section	Change
F2.2	F - Empowering Regulations	Public Procurement Regulations 2015 updated to Procurement Act 2023 / Procurement Regulations 2024
N/A	Throughout Section F	Reference to Public Procurement Regulations updated in line with above

- 3.4 A summary of the amendments that will be made, following approval of the report recommendations delivered separately to this meeting is shown below:

Para	Section	Change
F6.15	F - Procurement Process Thresholds	Amendment to low value procurements being those below £20,000
F6.16	F - Procurement Process Thresholds	Amendment to medium value procurements being those above £20,000 and below £50,000
	F - Low Value Procurement	Amendment to low value procurements being those below £20,000
	F - Medium Value Procurement	Amendment to medium value procurements being those above £20,000 and below £50,000
F7.1	F - Signing of Contracts	Change to contracts value of £20,000
F8.3	F - Signing of Contract Changes/Statement of Works	Change to Total Contract Value of over £20,000
C1.20	G – Risk Management	Claims between £20,000 and £40,000 shall be approved by the CC Director of Finance and Assets. Claims under £20,000 shall be reported to the CC Director of Finance and Assets retrospectively on a monthly basis. This replaces the Head of Legal Services authorisation.

- 3.5 Members are asked to note that the amendments have been/will be made. If members require an updated copy of the Corporate Governance Framework prior to the Audit Committee meeting then one can be requested through the OPCC. After the date of the meeting the updated framework will be published on the Force and OPCC websites.

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