

Warwickshire Police Authority - 22nd February 2010

Report of the Audit Committee

Summary

This report provides an update for Members on the progress of the Audit Committee following its meeting on the 3rd February 2010

Recommendation

That the report be noted.

1. Introduction

1.1 The audit committee met on 3rd February 2010. It received reports from internal audit, the Force and the police authority. A summary of these reports, together with our discussions and observations on them, is outlined below.

2. Corporate Governance Report

2.1 We received and considered an internal audit on corporate governance arrangements, covering both the force and the police authority. The audit opinion in the report concluded that there was a "moderate" level of assurance. We noted this report.

3. Internal Audit Recommendations Follow up Report

3.1 We received and considered a report outlining progress against internal audit recommendations. We were pleased to report that significant progress has been made in completing the actions required. We noted that there were still a small number of recommendations which need to be completed and we will continue to monitor progress.

4. Report on Equal Pay

4.1 We received and considered a report from the force on equal pay. We noted that the Force was actively monitoring the situation and will be conducting a review.

5. Report on Overtime

5.1 We received and considered a report from the Force on overtime. We were pleased to note that improvements had been made in the control and financial management of overtime and that the Force continues to actively monitor the situation.

6. Risk Register quarterly review

6.1 We received a report confirming that the quarterly review of the authority's risk register had been carried out in compliance with the authority's risk management framework. We noted the results of that review.

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Chair of Committee