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Report to PCC	Report reference number PCC/0055/16
Date of Decision 1 st June 2016 Date of Report 31 st May 2016	Area of County/Stakeholders affected All
Title of report: Continuation of Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) Constitution	
Report by: Treasurer to the PCC	
Enquiries to: Susannah Hancock, Chief Executive or Charles Garbett, Treasurer	

1. Purpose of report

- 1.1 To approve the continuation of the Constitution approved by the former PCC for Essex until further notice.
- 1.2 This will enable the PCC to review the existing scheme of governance and consider any amendments, whilst also ensuring current business can continue whilst the review process takes place.

2. Recommendations

To continue with the existing Constitution, Scheme of Delegation and Scheme of Consent and all supporting schedules until further notice.

3. Benefits of Proposal

- 3.1 Continuing with the existing Constitution allows the PCC to review its content and consider alternative arrangements at the same time as allowing decisions to be taken and services to continue unaffected.

4. Background and proposal

4.1 The PCC's role includes:

- i) A statutory duty and electoral mandate to ensure an efficient and effective public service and to hold the Chief Constable to account on behalf of the public;
- ii) Setting and updating the four year police and crime plan
- iii) Setting the force budget and council tax contribution to policing

4.2 The above role and responsibilities are reflected in the Scheme of Delegation and Scheme of Consent whereby the PCC retains ownership of all assets and property.

5. Police and Crime Plan

5.1 The PCC will hold the Chief Constable to account for operational policing and support services for delivery of the Police and Crime Plan. This will include the Chief Constable's use of assets and property.

6. Police Operational Implications

6.1 The Chief Constable remains responsible for operational policing and support services and is able to use assets and property in order to fulfil this function.

7. Financial Implications

7.1 All assets and property will continue to be retained on the PCC's balance sheet with the cost of officers and staff being on the Chief Constable's balance sheet.

7.2 Financial Regulations remain unchanged.

8. Legal Implications

8.1 The Constitution and both the Scheme of Delegation and Scheme of Consent are compliant with the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011.

9. Staffing and other resource implications

None

10. Equality and Diversity implications

None

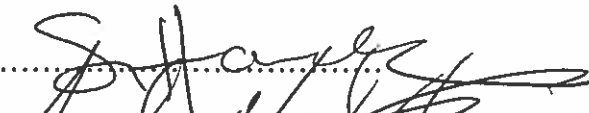
11. Background papers

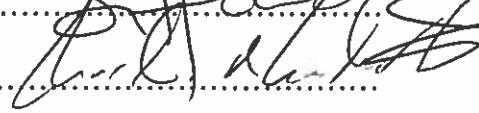
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11.1 The current Constitution and supporting schedules is publically available on the PCC website.

Report Approval

The report will be signed off by the Chief Executive and CFO and the PCC Solicitor where legal implications arise.


Chief Executive/M.O 

Chief Financial Officer 

PCC Legal Advisor (As necessary)

Decision

I agree the recommendations to this report

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PCC/Deputy PCC

I do not agree the recommendations to this report because

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