

**POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR HAMPSHIRE AND
HAMPSHIRE CONSTABULARY**

JOINT AUDIT COMMITTEE – 25 JUNE 2013

CONFIDENTIAL REPORTING AND FRAUD AND CORRUPTION POLICIES

REPORT OF THE CHIEF FINANCE OFFICERS

1. PURPOSE

- 1.1 At the previous meeting it was agreed that it would be helpful to see the confidential reporting and fraud and corruption policies operating. This report includes these policies as appendices.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 This report recommends that the policies are reviewed and recommendations for changes are made where necessary.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The Terms of Reference for the Audit Committee include making “recommendations for any improvements to the arrangements and policies in place in relation to ‘Raising concerns at work’, anti fraud and corruption strategies and complaints processes, in light of its experience”.
- 3.2 These policies are also specifically referenced within the Annual Governance Statement process. It is, therefore, necessary for the Audit Committee to be aware of the policies and have the opportunity to recommend changes.
- 3.3 The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner are in the process of putting new policies in place for staff. Until they are in place staff are adhering to the Anti Fraud and Corruption Strategy and the Whistleblowing procedures of Hampshire County Council, which can be found at Appendix C & D.

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APPENDICIES:

Appendix A - Confidential Reporting Policy

Appendix B - Fraud and Corruption Policy

Appendix C - Whistleblowing Procedure

Appendix D - Anti Fraud and Corruption Policy

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