Agenda Item No.

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JOINT INDEPENDENT AUDIT COMMITTEE
2nd August 2023

SUBJECT	**SUMMARY REPORT ON THE APPOINTMENT OF ITERNAL AUDITORS FROM 2023/24**
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SUMMARY AND PURPOSE OF REPORT To provide the Committee with a high-level summary report following the appointment of Mazars LLP as Internal Auditor (previously Mazars LLP).	
RECOMMENDATION	**That the report be considered.**

A. SUPPORTING INFORMATION

FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT

Background

1. Following a full procurement tender exercise, The Police and Crime Commissioner for Derbyshire signed a Framework Agreement on behalf of the region for the provision of Internal Audit Services.

2. This Framework Agreement is for an initial period of 3 years with an option to extend by a further 12 months.

3. The Framework governs the overall relationship between the PCC for Derbyshire and the Mazars LLP in respect of the provision of services to the PCC for Derbyshire and any other contracting body which includes The Police and Crime Commissioner for Lincolnshire.

4. This provides consistency of approach as the previous internal audit contract was also with Mazars LLP.

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5. An individual Call-Off Contract for each of the 10 participating bodies in the framework provides an individual legal agreement for the provision of services comprising of an Order Form and the Call-Off Terms. This is being finalised for The Police and Crime Commissioner for Lincolnshire.

   - The total number of days per year is 132

- The total cost of the service is based on the fixed rates of Internal Audit Day Rate at £450/day and Specialist Audit Day Rate for IT Audits of £750/day

Conclusions

6. Mazars LLP have been appointed as the internal auditor for Lincolnshire Police for three years from 2023/24 to 2025/26.

B. FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

There are no additional financial implications to those included in the report itself.

C. LEGAL AND HUMAN RIGHTS CONSIDERATIONS

There are no direct legal and human rights considerations arising from this report.

D. PERSONNEL, EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES AND DIVERSITY ISSUES

There are no direct personnel, equal opportunities and diversity issues arising from this report.

E. REVIEW ARRANGEMENTS

None specific

F. RISK MANAGEMENT

None specific

G. PUBLIC ACCESS TO INFORMATION

Information in this report along with any supporting material is subject to the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and other legislation.