

MEETING: Joint Audit Panel
DATE OF MEETING: 23/01/2024
CHAIR OF MEETING: Peter Morris, Joint Audit Panel Chair

ITEMS APPROVED

Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting held in November 2023 were approved as a true record of the meeting.

ASSURANCE RECEIVED

The following items were presented for the panel's assurance

Current GMP Issue – Chief Resources Officer Lee Rawlinson provide an update on key issues currently facing GMP. The Chair asked for a future agenda item looking at how the capital programme was developed, agreed and monitored.

Budget Update – The panel received an update on the latest 2023/24 financial position which remained challenging but is significantly improved at month 10 and the finance team are working hard with the force and GMCA colleagues to close the remaining gap by the year end. The panel was also updated on the progress of the 2024/25 budget setting work and noted the meeting of the Police, Crime, Criminal Justice and Fire Panel at the end of January would vote on precept proposals.

External Audit Items – The panel received the final certification of the 2021/22 audit work, an update on the work to audit the 2022/23 accounts which is ongoing, and the audit strategy memorandum was circulated following the meeting.

Internal Audit Progress Report – No issues to escalate.

ITEMS CONSIDERED IN PRIVATE

The panel received updates on the IT strategy, Digital Policing Programme and the staff survey.

RISKS IDENTIFIED	
RISK	MITIGATING ACTION
Other than the risks identified on the risk register there were no additional risks identified at this stage	

ITEMS FOR ESCALATION TO THE GMCA AUDIT COMMITTEE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No specific areas identified for escalation although the requested item regarding the GMP capital programme will be of interest to the GMCA committee when complete

Peter Morris
 Chair of Greater Manchester Joint Audit Panel (Police and Crime)