# OFFICE OF THE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER 2017/18 END of YEAR FINANCIAL REPORT

## 28<sup>th</sup> June 2018

### SUMMARY:

The purpose of this report is to inform the Police & Crime Panel of the OPCC's year-end financial out-turn for the 2017/18 financial year. The report compares the expenditure incurred and income received by the Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner, against the financial budget approved by me in January 2017.

## 1. Introduction

I am pleased to record that careful management of the OPCC 2017/18 revenue budget resulted in a year-end underspend of a £100.1 thousand saving against the budget that was set in January 2017 and that this saving has been offset against the overspend on the total Police Force budget.

## 2, Individual Significant Budget Variances

**A).** Police & Crime Commissioner – Underspent by £6.6 thousand primarily from a combination of savings on conference fees, training, plus travel and subsistence.

**B).** Assistant Police & Crime Commissioner - A saving of £4.6 thousand has also arisen on this budget through reduced spending against the conference fees, training and travel and subsistence budgets.

**C).** Staff Budget – A saving of £44.1 thousand has been made on the Staff Budget from a combination of employer pension contributions, vacant post savings, travel and subsistence savings and a small saving on training.

**D). PCC Roles** – Savings on three budgets, Communications £10.6 thousand, Consultation £17.7 thousand and Consultancy £17.7 thousand are primarily responsible for this budget heading delivering a £46.9 underspend at the end of the financial year.

**E). Memberships** – An underspend of just under £5 thousand pounds arose on this budget as a result of Association of Police & Crime Commissioners making a reduced charge for the year.

**F). Office Running Costs** – Were underspent by £8.2 thousand at the year-end, primarily because the Recruitment budget did not need to be utilised during the year £4.1 thousand and economies were made in the purchase and repair of Furniture and Equipment £2.6 thousand.

**G).** Audit Costs – Internal Audit Costs were overspent by £40.6 thousand as a result of the need to commission a special audit into the Financial Forecasting arrangements put in place by the joint Surrey/Sussex Finance Function. Part of this overspend was offset by the savings of £23.8 thousand that accrued from reductions in the External Audit Fee thereby producing a total overspend on this budget of £11.8

thousand.

**H). Victim Services** – Is grant funded by the Ministry of Justice and expenditure usually matches the level of income received each year. However, as a result of efficiencies achieved elsewhere within the OPCC budget I authorised this budget to overspend so that additional support could be provided to Surrey victims.

The detail of spending against individual budgets is shown at Appendix A to this report.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

The Police & Crime Panel is invited to note and comment on the financial performance of the Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner for Surrey for the 2017/18 financial year.

David Munro Police & Crime Commissioner

6<sup>th</sup> June 2018

#### **EQUALITIES & DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS:**

None arising.

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