



GRAMPIAN JOINT POLICE BOARD

COMMITTEE: GRAMPIAN JOINT POLICE BOARD

DATE: 20TH MAY 2011

TITLE OF REPORT: BEST VALUE 2 AUDIT AND INSPECTION REPORT – JOINT IMPROVEMENT PLAN

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to invite the Board to agree and action the Joint Improvement Plan which has been development to implement the recommendations contained within the joint Audit Scotland HMICS report.

2. RECOMMENDATION(S)

It is recommended that the Board approve the Improvement Plan attached at Appendix 2.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The proposed Improvement Plan does not contain any actions which have not already been identified by the Board and Force for development. As such, there are unlikely to be any unexpected financial implications flowing from the Improvement Plan.

In terms of the recommendations around medium to longer term financial planning, then the Improvement Plan should improve the Board's ability to undertake this form of planning and monitoring, thereby having a positive impact on future years.

4. SERVICE & COMMUNITY IMPACT

The findings of the Accounts Commission commend the Board for its community engagement and leadership. Implementation of the Action Plan should further strengthen the Board's community participation.

5. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

None.

6. REPORT

- 6.1 Board Members will recall that the Board gave consideration to the Audit Scotland / HMICS report on the Best Value 2 Audit and Inspection at the Board meeting held on 4th March 2011. For information the report considered at that meeting is attached in Appendix One.
- 6.2 The attached joint Improvement Plan has been prepared by the Force and the Depute Clerk for consideration, and approval by the Board. The completed Improvement Plan sets out each of the improvement actions, assigns ownership as appropriate and suggests how the required improvements will be achieved. It also details and impacts and consequences e.g. resource implications.
- 6.3 As previously agreed by the Board responsibility for ensuring the delivery of the joint Improvement Plan is remitted to the Stewardship Sub-Committee. It is intended that officers from the Force and Clerk's office will submit regular reports to the Stewardship Sub-Committee, updating Members as to progress against the agreed action points. It is also proposed that a further report be submitted to the Board once the Improvement Plan actions have been implemented.

7. REPORT AUTHOR DETAILS

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8. BACKGROUND PAPERS

None

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