



To: Joint Audit Committee
From: Nicola Scrivings, Chairman
Date: 29th June 2015

Chair Effectiveness Review

1. Recommendations

1.1. The Committee is asked to note the contents of the report.

2. Background

2.1 Following on from the review of the Committee effectiveness, tabled in March, the Committee also met to discuss the effectiveness of the Chair. In line with the Committee Review a low-key approach was taken. Next year they may want to consider using a more formal approach.

3. Report content

3.1 The following points were summarised in the feedback:

- The Committee agreed that the Chair was effective in her management of the agenda and also the meeting. The Committee felt this was because of the process that was in place to meet with the OPCC and Force to plan the topics and ensure that papers were submitted to time and the quality required. The process seemed to be working well.
- It was recognised that there was some cross force dialogue in place but felt this could be improved.
- The chairs style of challenge of the OPCC had resulted in some good outcomes, but it was felt to be less probing of the Forces activity, primarily due to attendance.

3.2 Improvements for the coming year are

- Work with the Force to ensure senior representation at all meetings;

- Development of networking with Beds and Herts partners;
- More active participation in senior decision making for example BCB.
- The Committee noted that this may need more time and resources.

4. **Recommendations**

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