



**To:** Joint Audit Committee  
**From:** Director of Public Engagement and Communications, OPCC  
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## **Public Accountability and Transparency**

### **1. Purpose**

1.1 This report updates the Joint Audit Committee (“the Committee”) on the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (“OPCC”) compliance with the Information Commissioner’s Office (“ICO”) transparency requirements.

### **2. Recommendation**

2.1 The Committee is invited to note the report.

### **3. Introduction**

3.1 The OPCC is required to meet the various statutory responsibilities that are placed upon it to publish information.

3.2 Following the transfer of governance from Police Authorities to Police and Crime Commissioners under the [Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011](#) certain transparency information is required to be made available to the public, as detailed within the Elected Local Policing Bodies Information Order 2011 ([2011 No. 3050](#)), and the subsequent Amendment Order 2012 ([2012 No. 2479](#)).

### **4.0 Transparency review**

4.1 The Information Commissioner’s Office lists the information required under a number of headings which we have adopted in this review. The headings are:

- Who we are and what we do
- What we spend and how we spend it
- What are our priorities and how are we doing
- How we make decisions
- Policies and Procedures
- Complaints Procedures
- Data Management
- Lists and Registers

4.2 The information is made available through the OPCC website  
<http://www.cambridgeshire-pcc.gov.uk/>

4.3 An audit of the website has been undertaken to assess the organisations compliance. The results are displayed on the attached spreadsheet. The spreadsheet lists all the information we are required to provide along with a Red, Amber, Green (RAG) rating to indicate compliance. Green signifies complete compliance, amber partial compliance and red signifies non-compliance. The spreadsheet also provides links to each relevant page as evidence of compliance.

4.4 There are zero Red ratings. There are three Amber ratings. The remainder are Green.

## 5.0 Website review

5.1 The OPCC website has evolved over time with more information being added bit by bit. As a result we recognise that information is not always clearly laid out or easy to find.

5.2 For this reason a structural review of the website is underway in order to make the site easier to navigate and the information easier to find. The structure will follow the ICO guidelines to enable the OPCC to clearly demonstrate compliance with ICO requirements and also make it easier for staff to monitor and update information.

## 6. Recommendations

6.1 The Committee is invited to note the report.

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