



To: Business Coordination Board

From: Chief Finance Officer

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BCH Combined Financial Regulations

1. Purpose

1.1 The purpose of this report is to inform the Business Coordination Board (“the Board”) that the BCH Combined Financial Regulations have been reviewed and amended.

2. Recommendation

2.1 The Board is recommended to note the review has been undertaken.

3. Background

3.1 BCH Combined Financial Regulations have been in place since 2015 to align financial practices across the three forces.

3.2 The Combined Financial Regulations have been reviewed by the Constabulary and OPCC CFO’s and Heads of Finance and amendments have been made including an update of the Contract Standing Orders.

3.3 The biggest amendment agreed by all CFO’s was the deletion of a section entitled ‘Meeting Structure’ which detailed all individual Force meetings with terms of reference, frequency, attendees much of which was outdated and irrelevant to financial regulations.

3.4 The remaining amendments have been recorded so we have an audit trail of amendments.

3.4 The reviewed version has been sent to the Head of Information Rights and Assurance, who has uploaded the regulations to the Tri-Force Policy library. They will also be added to individual OPCC websites for transparency.

3.5 The next review of the Financial Regulations will be in 12 months time.

4. Recommendation

4.1 The Board is recommended to note the review has been undertaken.

BIBLIOGRAPHY

Source Document(s)	BCH Combined Financial Regulations
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