

AGENDA ITEM





JOINT AUDIT COMMITTEE 8th December 2016

HMIC UPDATE TO JOINT AUDIT COMMITTEE DECEMBER 2016

1 Background

- 1.1 Since the last committee meeting and as part of the changes to the Force in TS1, there has been a change of personnel managing HMIC Liaison. It is now part of a Risk, Assurance and Organisational Learning Team within Strategy and Direction in Intelligence. The team is led by the Organisational Risk Manager, Kath Holder.
- 1.2 Work is on-going to create a tracker similar to that of Staffordshire Police. Final amendments have been given to the system developer in IT&D and the system should be ready imminently.

2 Inspections completed since the previous committee

2.1 Since the committee last met the Effectiveness inspection, as part of PEEL has been conducted. Inspectors were in Force between the 31st Oct and the 4th November and a hot debrief was completed on the 7th Nov. We are awaiting the report and expect to see a draft at some point in January 2017.

3 Inspection reports received since the previous committee

- 3.1 Since the last committee the report on police Efficiency to protect the public and reduce crime has been published with West Midlands Police being one of only two forces graded outstanding. The report focusses on how well the force understands current and future demand, how we utilise resource and how well we plan for the future. No recommendations were made in the report.
- 3.2 The 'value for money 2016' report has been published. No grading is given for this report but it shows a comparison between WMP and other forces and in particular forces in our most similar group.

4 Outstanding recommendations currently assessed as Red

4.1 There is currently one outstanding recommendation graded red. It is a recommendation in the Disability Hate Crime report which is being scrutinised at this committee meeting. For further detail please see appendix a.

5 Overview of the four reports for review

- 5.1 **Disability Hate Crime –** This was a national report, published in 2013 containing 7 recommendations. One recommendation is currently graded green, five are amber and one is red. The red recommendation is one for probation trusts to progress and WMP have recently, with the help of the OPCC identified a lead in probation to take this work forward.
- 5.2 **Stop and Search –** There are currently two reports stored on the tracker, one from 2013, in which all recommendations have been graded green, and one from 2015 in which all but one recommendation is green, with the outstanding recommendation graded as amber. This relates to a new requirement to record stop and search for various road traffic stops and seizures of tobacco and alcohol under the Police Reform Act 2002. This is also captured on the corporate risk register and WMP are currently represented on the national working group detailing the requirements.
- 5.3 **Witness for the prosecution –** This report was a national report published in 2015. It contains 10 recommendations, 4 were to be progressed by the National Police Chief's Council and the College of Policing. Of the remaining 6, 4 are graded amber and two are green.
- 5.4 **Vulnerable people in custody –** This report was a national report published in 2015. The report contains 18 recommendations with 12 graded as green and 6 amber.

For further detail on any of these reports please see appendix a. The practitioner leads for the reports will be present to answer any questions.