

DECISION NO: PCCG-2012-012

OFFICE OF POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER**TITLE:** Provision of an Internal Audit Service**DATE:** 13th December 2012**TIMING:** Urgent. A response by 19th December 2012 is required; the existing contract will expire on 31 March 2013.**PURPOSE:** The purpose of this report is to seek approval to extend the current contract with Deloitte for the Provision of an Internal Audit Service to 31 March 2015.

1.	<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>
1.1	To extend the current contract for a further 24 month period under the Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent, Governance Part 5 Standing Orders Relating to Contracts, paragraph 125.
2.	<u>INTRODUCTION & BACKGROUND</u>
2.1	Dyfed-Powys Police Authority awarded a collaborative contract for the Provision of an internal audit service to Deloitte in March 2013. The Contract was for three years with an option to extend for a further two years. This contract is utilised by South Wales, Dyfed Powys and Gwent Police. The contract is due to expire on 31 March 2013. The Chief Finance Officer and Treasurer have agreed that Gwent should extend the contract to maintain the provision of an audit service during the transition to the Police and Crime Commissioner.
3.	<u>ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION</u>
3.1	Whilst there were challenges during the establishment of the contract the provider has adapted to management requirements and the current service provided by Deloitte has been acceptable and value for money achieved. This has provided the Chief Finance Officers and Treasurer with adequate assurance to extend the contract.
4.	<u>NEXT STEPS</u>
4.1	On approval of the report contract extension documents are sent to Deloitte where they will be signed and returned to the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent.
5.	<u>FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS</u>
5.1	The extension value will be £51,925.00. Deloitte is able to request an increase in line with RPI as per the contractual terms and condition of the contract. Negotiations have confirmed that this increase will not be applied for the remaining extension period. Revenue has been provided for in 2012/2013 budget.

6.	<u>PERSONNEL CONSIDERATIONS</u>
6.1	As part of the extension there would be no staffing/personnel implications.
7.	<u>LEGAL IMPLICATIONS</u>
7.1	This report has been submitted in line with the EU Directives and the Commissioners financial regulations
8.	<u>EQUALITIES AND HUMAN RIGHTS CONSIDERATIONS</u>
8.1	This project/proposal has been considered against the general duty to promote equality, as stipulated under the Single Equality Scheme and has been assessed not to discriminate against any particular group.
8.2	In preparing this report, consideration has been given to requirements of the Articles contained in the European Convention on Human Rights and the Human Rights Act 1998.
9.	<u>RISK</u>
9.1	The risks of operating without an internal audit provision means there is no assurance that the financial and non-financial controls are adequate. This would leave the organisation vulnerable to criticism from external agencies.
10.	<u>PUBLIC INTEREST</u>
10.1	Following approval of this report by the Office of Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent, this document will be made available to the Public.
11.	<u>CONTACT OFFICER</u>
11.1	Arhlene Jackson Contracts Officer.
12.	<u>ANNEXES</u>
12.1	N/A

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Consultation:	Tick to confirm (if applicable)
Financial The Treasurer has been consulted on this proposal.	√
OPCC (insert name) The Treasurer has reviewed the request and is satisfied that it is correct and consistent with the PCC's plans and priorities.	√
Legal The legal team have been consulted on this proposal.	√
Equalities The Equalities Officer has been consulted on this proposal.	√

<p>Chief Executive/ Deputy Chief Executive:</p> <p>I have been consulted about the proposal and can confirm that financial, legal, equalities etc... advice has been taken into account in the preparation of this report.</p> <p>I am satisfied that this is an appropriate report to be submitted to the Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent.</p>
<p>Signature:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">S A Bessa</p>
<p>Date: 09/12/12</p>
<p>Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent</p> <p>I confirm that I have considered whether or not I have any personal or prejudicial interest in this matter and take the proposed decision in compliance with the Code of Conduct.</p> <p>The above request has my approval.</p>
<p>Signature:</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>[Handwritten Signature]</i></p>
<p>Date:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">21.12.12</p>

