1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Richard Paver, GMCA, Karol Sanderson, Pastor Olatunde Olagunju, and Paul Grady

2. MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS HELD ON 14 DECEMBER, 2017

That the minutes of meeting held on 14th December, 2017 be approved as a correct record. There were no matters arising.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None received.

4. AUDIT PLAN 2017/18 – PROGRESS REPORT

The Risk and Assurance Auditor (Lead) provided members with an update on the progress to date of the delivery of the Internal Audit Plan for 2017/18. It was reported that since the last meeting six reports had now been formally issued of which five which were contained within the report presented and the remaining report was included as a separate agenda item. It was noted that there were no critical or high priority actions in these reports.
Discussion ensued and the following comments/observations were made:

- Noted that in relation to ‘Business interests’, the trade union relationship issue had been addressed and resolved.

RESOLVED/-

That the report be received.

5. POST IMPLEMENTATION REVIEW

The Risk and Assurance Auditor (Lead) provided members with an update on the follow up work the Audit Team have undertaken under the Post Implementation Review Arrangements. It was reported that the review found no strong evidence to indicate that GMP had benefited significantly from the Fleet collaboration project, whilst it was acknowledged that there had been cost savings. It was noted that going forward the report would be used to inform/support whether any further collaboration is proposed.

Discussion ensued and the following comments/observations were made:

- Concern was expressed about the perceived lack of appetite for further collaboration, particularly in the light of year on year funding reductions. It was noted that this was something that Grant Thornton would look at as part of GMP’s Strategic Transformation Programme.

RESOLVED/-

That the report be received.

6. ACTION TRACKER REPORT

The Risk and Assurance Auditor (Lead) informed members on the progress Greater Manchester Police are making on the implementation of the agreed actions on the Action Tracker. It was reported that there was an error in the numbering in Appendix B and Appendix C of the report. It was agreed that the Audit Lead would provide Members with an updated version via email following the meeting.

The Audit Lead took Members through the rationale for removing the 4 actions detailed in Appendix A, from the tracker. There was some general discussion around the ‘progress updates’ detailed in Appendix C.

The Chair thanked everyone for continuing to drive-down the number of outstanding actions.

RESOLVED/-

That the report be received
7. **EXTERNAL AUDIT PLAN OF GRANT THORNTON**

Consideration was given to the External Audit Plan presented by Ellen Millington, Engagement Manager, Grant Thornton, UK LLP. Ellen highlighted some aspects within the Plan.

**RESOLVED/-**

That the report be received.

8. **EXTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT AND SECTOR UPDATE OF GRANT THORNTON**

Consideration was given to the External Audit Progress Report and Sector Update presented by Ellen Millington, Engagement Lead Grant Thornton, UK LLP. Ellen highlighted that some aspects within the report adding that the Audit Findings Report would be reported to the July 2018 Joint Audit Panel.

**RESOLVED/-**

That the report be received.

9. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

None received.