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Executive Summary

This report introduces the Annual Report from the Police and Crime Commissioner and the accounts for 2013/14.

Annual Report 2013/2014

- 1. Attached at appendix A is the Police and Crime Commissioner's Annual Report for 2013/14. It meets the legislative requirement for such a statement by documenting the progress made between 1 April 2013 and 31 March 2014 in meeting the objectives within the Police & Crime Plan.
- 2. Particular highlights to draw to the Panel's attention are the achievements under the visible community policing section and activities to support placing victims and witnesses at the heart of processes.

Accounts 2013/2014

- 3. The Annual Report on-line provides links to the annual accounts. Those accounts run to over 100 pages in the normal way and can be found on https://www.kent-pcc.gov.uk/spending.html. For the purpose of this report, attached at Appendix B, is the Foreword to the accounts. Overall, the accounts show an underspend for 2013/14 and these have been applied to bolster various reserves.
- 3. Our External Auditors, Ernst and Young, have issued an unqualified opinion for 2013/14; in respect of both the accounts and the broader approach to securing value for money.