



**LINCOLNSHIRE POLICE AUTHORITY
FINANCE AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE
25TH SEPTEMBER 2009
3.00PM – 3.40 PM**

PRESENT:

Members: Mr R Must (Chairman), Mr K Smith (Vice-Chairman), Mr G Dark, Mr C Underwood-Frost, Mr J Walker, Mr B Young

Apologies: Mr J Atter

Officers: Ms J Flint (Treasurer), Mr H Hunt (Deputy Chief Executive), Mr P Steed (Director of Finance and Administration), Mr A Tomlinson (Head of Finance), Mr S Quint (Principal Accountant), Mrs S Ironmonger (External Audit Manager), Mrs C Horton (Support Services Officer).

Also Present: Mr P Przyszlak

01/09 DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL AND/OR PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS

None

02/09 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN FOR MUNICIPAL YEAR 2009/2010

Resolved	Responsible Officer
1. That Mr R Must be elected as Chairman of the Finance and Performance Committee for the municipal year 2009/2010.	-

03/09 ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 2009/2010

Resolved	Responsible Officer
1. That Mr K Smith be elected as Vice Chairman of the Finance and Performance Committee for the municipal year 2009/2010.	-

04/09 REPORT TO THOSE CHARGED WITH GOVERNANCE – STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 2008/2009

The External Audit Manager presented the Annual Governance Report on the 2008/2009 Accounts. Members were advised that an unqualified audit opinion would be issued in respect of the financial statements. Attention was drawn to two “misstatements” within the Accounts, which officers did not propose to adjust for. The Treasurer confirmed that the letter of Representation would include a detailed response to the issues raised by the District Auditor.

The Committee was informed of the Use of Resources results for 2008/09. Whilst the overall scores were lower than those received in the previous year, this did not signify any deterioration in performance but was a consequence of the new assessment regime for Use of Resources.

The Chairman thanked the Head of Finance and his team for their work on the Financial Statements.

Resolved	Responsible Officer
1. the Annual Governance Report be noted;	-
2. the proposed responses to the specific issues raised and their inclusion in the Letter of Representation be approved;	-
3. the Letter of Representation be approved;	-
4. the Accounts for publication be approved;	-
5. the Summarised Accounts be approved for publication.	-

Chairman