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## PFCC Decision Report

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<b>Report reference number:</b> 039-18
<b>Classification</b> Not protectively marked
<b>Title of report:</b> Interim appointment - PFCC Deputy Section 151 Officer
<b>Area of County/Stakeholders affected:</b> Essex
<b>Report by :</b> Susannah Hancock <b>Date of report:</b> 22/3/18 <b>Enquiries to:</b> <u><a href="mailto:Susannah.hancock@essex.pnn.police.uk">Susannah.hancock@essex.pnn.police.uk</a></u>

### 1. Purpose of report

To appoint on an interim basis a deputy Section 151 ('s.151') officer for the PFCC in relation to policing and crime matters.

The role of the s.151 officer is set out in Section 151 of the Local Government Act 1972.

Section 151 of the Local Government Act 1972 requires authorities to make arrangements for the proper administration of their financial affairs and appoint an s.151/Chief Finance Officer to have responsibility for those arrangements.

### 2. Recommendations

That Abbey Gough, OPFCC Financial Scrutiny Officer, act as interim deputy s.151 officer for the PFCC in relation to policing and crime matters.

### 3. Benefits of Proposal

The interim deputy s.151 officer will support the s.151 officer in their duties and be able to deputise for the s.151 officer when the s.151 officer is unavailable.

**4. Background and proposal**

The Essex PFCC has a Treasurer and s.151 Officer - Mr Charles Garbett. By appointing a deputy s.151 officer, this will provide support to the s.151 officer and ensure the OPFCC has resilience within the team if the s.151 officer is unavailable.

The appointment is on an interim basis in the first instance. This will be reviewed after 3 months.

**5. Police and Crime Plan**

This will help to deliver on the priorities as set out in the Police and Crime Plan.

**6. Police Operational Implications**

N/A

**7. Financial Implications**

The deputy s.151 officer will support the s.151 officer in carrying out their duties and responsibilities.

There are no additional resource implications for this appointment.

**8. Legal Implications**

There are no legal implications.

**9. Staffing and other resource implications**

The proposal for a deputy s.151 officer does not create any new posts within the team and is being delivered within existing resource.

**10. Equality and Diversity implications**

There are no equality and diversity implications.

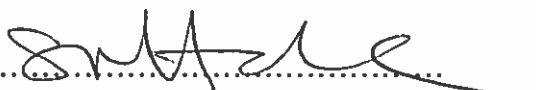
**11. Background papers**

None

**Report Approval**

The report will be signed off by the OPFCC Chief Executive and Treasurer, prior to review and sign off by the PFCC / DPFCC .

Chief Executive/M.O

Sign: ..........  
Print: .....S. Hancock.....  
Date: .....26/3/18.....

Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer Sign: .....

Print: .....

Date: .....

**Publication**

Is the report for publication?

YES

NO

If 'NO', please give reasons for non-publication (state 'None' if applicable)

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If the report is not for publication, the Chief Executive will decide if and how the public can be informed of the decision.

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If the report is for publication, is redaction required:

1. Of Decision Sheet

YES

2. Of Appendix

YES

NO

NO

If 'YES', please provide details of required redaction:

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**Treasurer / Chief Executive Sign Off – for Redactions only**

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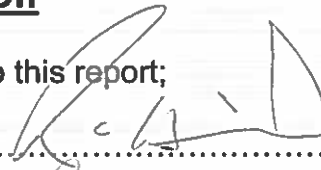
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Chief Executive/Treasurer

Date signed: .....

**Decision and Final Sign Off**

I agree the recommendations to this report;

Sign: ..... 

Print: ..... R. C. Hines

**PFCC/Deputy PFCC**

Date signed: ..... 2.6.13/18

I do not agree the recommendations to this report because;

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Sign: .....

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**PFCC/Deputy PFCC**

Date signed: .....