

Independent auditor's report to the Police and Crime Commissioner for South Yorkshire

In our auditor's report issued on 1 December 2022, we explained that we could not formally conclude the audit and issue an audit certificate for the Police and Crime Commissioner for South Yorkshire for the year ended 31 March 2022, in accordance with the requirements of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 and the Code of Audit Practice, until we had:

- Completed the work necessary to issue our Whole of Government Accounts (WGA) Component Assurance statement for the year ended 31 March 2022. We have now completed this work.
- Completed our work on the Police and Crime Commissioner's arrangements for securing economy, efficiency and effectiveness in its use of resources. We have now completed this work, and the results of our work are set out below.

Opinion on the financial statements

In our auditor's report for the year ended 31 March 2022 issued on 1 December 2022, we reported that, in our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Police and Crime Commissioner as at 31 March 2022 and of its expenditure and income for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with the CIPFA/LASAAC code of practice on local authority accounting in the United Kingdom 2021/22; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014.

No matters have come to our attention since that date that would have a material impact on the financial statements on which we gave this opinion.

Report on other legal and regulatory requirements - the Police and Crime Commissioner's arrangements for securing economy, efficiency and effectiveness in its use of resources

In our auditor's annual report for the year ended 31 March 2022 issued on 9 March 2023 we reported that we have nothing to report in respect of whether the Police and Crime Commissioner has made proper arrangements for securing economy, efficiency and effectiveness in its use of resources for the year ended 31 March 2022.

No matters have come to our attention since that date that would have resulted in any additional exception reporting on the Police and Crime Commissioner's arrangements for securing economy, efficiency and effectiveness in its use of resources for the year ended 31 March 2022.

Report on other legal and regulatory requirements – Audit certificate

We certify that we have completed the audit of the Police and Crime Commissioner for South Yorkshire for the year ended 31 March 2022 in accordance with the requirements of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 and the Code of Audit Practice.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the Police and Crime Commissioner for South Yorkshire, as a body, in accordance with Part 5 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 and as set out in paragraph 43 of the Statement of Responsibilities of Auditors and Audited Bodies published by Public Sector Audit Appointments Limited. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Police and Crime Commissioner those matters we are required to state to the Police and Crime Commissioner in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Police and Crime Commissioner as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

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for and on behalf of Grant Thornton UK LLP, Local Auditor

Leeds

19 April 2023