

Devon Audit Partnership (DAP) What's in a Name Report of the Director of Finance and Public Value

Please note that the following recommendations are subject to consideration and determination by the Committee before taking effect.

1) Recommendation

That the Partnership Committee agree the update to the name of the Partnership as set out in the attached report.

2) Background / Introduction

The early years of the Partnership (since its formation in 2009) focused on consolidation of knowledge and skills to support ongoing service delivery against a back drop of budget reductions. We have since focused on growth, not just in size but also in the services that we offer.

We now offer and deliver more than Internal Audit, alongside which we have expanded our service provision beyond core Partners with external clients such the Government of Jersey.

3) Main Body / Proposal

The document sets out the changing profile of work driven by our successful growth in both volume and diversity. The change links directly to the future strategy and vision for success that we are a provider of broader assurance services.

The change would see us move from “Devon Audit Partnership” to Devon “Assurance Partnership”.

4) Options / Alternatives

Do not change the name – To not change could result in a barrier to future growth and sustainability and would fail to recognise who we are and what we do. This would remove a key tool in the delivery of the strategy outlined to the Committee in a separate paper of this meeting.

5) Consultations / Representations / Technical Data

This report has been agreed with the Devon Audit Partnership Management Board.

6) Strategic Plan:

There are no DCC strategic plan issues associated with this report.

7) Financial Considerations:

There are no direct Financial Considerations issues associated with this report that are not covered within the DAP budget.

8) Legal Consideration:

We will require support from DCC Legal Services to revise the Partnership Agreement via a formal Deed of Variation.

9) Environmental Impact Considerations (Including Climate Change):

There are no specific Environmental Impact Considerations or issues associated with this report.

10) Equality Considerations:

There are no specific Equality considerations associated with this report

11) Risk Management Considerations:

There are no specific Risk Management considerations associated with this report

12) Public Health Impact:

There is no specific impact on Public Health in connection with this report.

13) Summary/Conclusions/Reasons for Recommendations:

Reasons for reviewing the report and information within it are linked to the Committees Terms of Reference and those relevant to this meeting as set out in the Partnership agreement and shown below.

“Receive and consider reports from the Management Board, the Head of Internal Audit Partnership, External Audit and the Host Council.”

Angie Sinclair

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Electoral Divisions: All

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Local Government Act 1972: List of background papers

Nil

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