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## REPORT / SUMMARY DECISION SHEET

**PURPOSE: COMMISSIONER DECISION – REF. DLI 005**

**Timing:** Pressing

**Title:** Independent Custody Visiting Association (ICVA) – Membership 2016/17

**Category of Decision / Business Area Impact:** Volunteering

### **Executive Summary:**

The Police and Crime Commissioner's membership with ICVA is reviewed on an annual basis. Membership has been paid since the inception of the role of Police and Crime Commissioner.

ICVA leads, supports and represents local Independent Custody Visiting Schemes that deliver the Commissioner's statutory duty to safeguard detainees and improve custody arrangements.

Benefits of membership include:

- ICVA delivers training to both new ICVs and existing volunteers, helping to ensure that the Commissioner's volunteers are valued and they gain or retain and enhance the skills that they need to complete their role;
- ICVA delivers policy support to schemes – ensuring that scheme managers are briefed on national policy changes and empowering schemes to translate this into local action; and
- ICVA delivers national conferences for scheme managers and volunteers.

ICVA is facing a very tough financial climate. The large majority of ICVA's funding is from a Home Office grant and ICVA expects to lose about a third of its funding from the Home Office in 2016/17. The Management Board has responded through a keen drive to improve efficiency and effectiveness. They have had to ask members to pay a small increase in subscription; from £500 in 2015/16 to £625 in 2016/17.

### **Recommendation:**

That the Police and Crime Commissioner approve the renewal of his membership to the ICVA for 2016/17.

### **Police and Crime Commissioner for Dyfed-Powys**

I confirm I have considered whether or not I have any personal or prejudicial interest in this matter and take the proposed decision in compliance with the Nolan Principles for Conduct in Public Life. The above has my approval.

**Signature:**

**Date:**

23.6.2016