



AN TÚDARÁS PÓILÍNEACHTA  
POLICING AUTHORITY

## Minutes of Meeting of Audit and Risk Committee

**Date:** 29 March 2022

**Venue:** Remote Video-Conference

### Attendance:

<b>Committee</b>	Moling Ryan (Committee Chair), Ronan Nolan, Melanie Pine
<b>Secretary</b>	Mark Nother
<b>Executive</b>	Aoife Clabby, Margaret Tumelty – for item 3, Claire McElroy, Anne Keeley
<b>Visitors</b>	Vincent Tao, Partner, Crowleys DFK (Internal Audit Provider) - for item 2.

### 1. Closed Session

Committee members did not exercise the standing option to conduct a closed session.

### 2. Chair's Opening Remarks

The agenda was approved by the Committee.

### 3. Audit

The Value for Money Audit was presented to the Committee by the Internal Audit Provider, of which there was one medium and two low findings. The Internal Audit Provider has provided reasonable assurance that effective procurement processes are in place the Policing Authority. The Committee found the audit results to be positive overall and accepted the report subject to minor changes made by the Executive.

The Committee also discussed the Internal Auditors annual report. The Committee noted the positive commentary within the report on the progress of implementing of the recommendations of previous audits by the Executive. A number of points of feedback were provided by the Committee, in particular relating to the inclusion of increased commentary on the internal audit process and carriers/challenges faced in 2021. The Internal Audit Provider agreed to produce a new draft of the report to account for the feedback provided by the Committee and provide it to the Committee in the June meeting.

The Committee heard that the Executive will be meeting with the Internal Audit Provider in April to discuss a review of the Policing Authority Audit Universe and have welcomed any feedback from the Committee ahead of this meeting. It was reported that the Audit Universe is likely to be updated given both internal and external operating environment changes since originally prepared.

#### **4. Risk**

The Committee briefly discussed the possibility that during future Committee meetings, the heads of different sections would attend to discuss their areas of work and any potential risks not included on the Risk register but that may be of concern.

The Committee undertook an in-depth review of the Risk Register, following a review of the same by management in March. Following feedback from the Committee, it was agreed that a revised draft of the Risk Register would be prepared for the Committee for further review ahead of the updated Risk Register being brought to the Authority for the June meeting.

#### **5. AOB**

There were no items for discussion under this item.