

**CUMBRIA POLICE AUTHORITY
Audit and Performance Committee**

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Agenda Item No 7

BEST VALUE IMPLEMENTATION UPDATE

A report by the Chief Constable

SUMMARY

This report normally provides an update on the implementation of improvement actions arising from Best Value Reviews.

Before submission to Audit and Performance Committee, the updates are scrutinised and challenged by Best Value Board (co-chaired by the Constabulary and Authority) to hold action owners to account and ensure that implementation is effective.

Unfortunately and due to unforeseen circumstances, including the additional workload around police structures and the majority of the Board members being on annual leave over Christmas and New Year, there has not been a Best Value Board since November 2005 – so there is no update to the previous paper approved by Audit and Performance.

The next Best Value Board is scheduled for 9th February and the revised Implementation Update is being prepared for this. Further Best Value Boards are scheduled for 7th March and 24th March 2006 and latest positions will be available for the next Audit and Performance in April 2006.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Authority note this explanation.

**Michael Baxter
Chief Constable**