

POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR LEICESTERSHIRE *DECISION RECORD*

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DECISION OF POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER

Date: 22 February 2013

Officers present: Paul Stock, Peter Lewis, Angela Perry

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EXE 00.11/13

Title: Regional Collaboration – Fraud and Financial Investigation

Summary of Issue:

The East Midlands Police Collaboration Programme (EMPCP) has a vision to provide a new model for Fraud and Financial Investigation provision in the region that will realise a reduction in operating costs over the next two years whilst delivering a streamlined service that is fit for purpose. There are increasing areas of business where the five Police Forces in the East Midlands are seeking to collaborate, not only to achieve cost savings but also to improve efficiency where possible by sharing resources or re-engineering structures to better service local delivery needs. In June 2011 practitioners from the five forces in the East Midlands were drawn together to form an initial programme team. They were commissioned to develop a strategic Full Business Case (FBC) to look at options to realise this vision.

A detailed, full "restricted" business case has been prepared and has been reviewed by the Region's deputy chief constables and chief constables, and this document has been made available to CFOs also. Due to its restricted status it cannot be attached to this decision record.

The business case makes a recommendation for a collaborative unit for the five forces in the Region. While the cash savings presented by this option are small, the potential for increased impact of this type of investigation is significant and future proofed, particularly through consistent application of good practice across the forces.

The individual forces would retain local ownership of officers, while committing to standard operating procedures and to supporting larger, cross-boundary investigations when required.

Recommendation presented:

That the Police and Crime Commissioner agrees to sign the S23 collaboration agreement for the creation of Fraud and Financial Investigation Unit.

Key discussion points at meeting

Briefing given by Peter Lewis, based upon discussions with officers from the proposed unit. Sir Clive asked about costs and savings and Peter explained that the case was based more on operational efficiency and impact rather than cash savings.

It was resolved that :

The proposal was supported.


OFFICE OF PCC APPROVAL

Chief Executive or Chief Finance Officer:

I have been consulted about the proposal and confirm that appropriate advice has been taken into account in the preparation of this report. I am satisfied that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the Police and Crime Commissioner

Signature

Name


Peter Lewis

Date

22/2/13

Publication Scheme

Decision of Monitoring Officer:


As Monitoring Officer for the Office of Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicestershire I have determined that :

It is appropriate to publish this record of decision made by the Police and Crime Commissioner : Yes / ~~Part Redacted~~ / ~~No~~

It is appropriate to publish the contents of the assessment of the decision by either of the senior post holders in the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicestershire (i.e. either the Chief Executive or Chief Finance Officer) : Yes / ~~Part Redacted~~ / ~~No~~

It is appropriate to publish details of the decision by the Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicestershire : Yes / ~~Part Redacted~~ / ~~No~~

Reasons for any non Publication (referencing appropriate legislation):

Signature 
Name PAUL STOCK Date 22/2/13

Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicestershire

Having received the advice set out above and reviewed relevant documentation my decision in regard of this matter is:

Supported / ~~Not Supported~~

Signature  Date 22 Feb 2013

N.B. Business Case Restricted.

