

ORIGINATOR: Victoria Curtis 24.01.20 DECISION NO. 1 /2020

REASON FOR SUBMISSION: For approval and signing

SUBMITTED TO: OPCC Chief Executive Mark Stokes

SUBJECT: Revision of Section 22A Agreements for the functions of Joint ICT; Joint Estates and Facilities; Joint Transport Services.

SUMMARY:

Following the creation and appointments of the Assistant Chief Officer positions for both Norfolk and Suffolk Constabularies in 2019, it was agreed that the ACOs would act as Portfolio Leads for a number of functions across the organisations.

The attached agreements detail the arrangements to continue to collaborate the functions with the changes to Portfolio Leads noted:

- Joint ICT
- Joint Estates and Facilities
- Joint Transport Services

It is requested that the agreements are authorised as backdated from 1st May 2019.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Chief Executive of the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner is authorised to execute the Section 22A Agreements to Collaborate in Joint ICT; Joint Estates and Facilities; Joint Transport Services (under Section 22A of the Police Act 1996).

OUTCOME/APPROVAL BY: CHIEF EXECUTIVE

The recommendations as outlined above are approved.

Signature

Date 20-2-2020

DETAIL OF THE SUBMISSION

1. OBJECTIVE:

1.1 To review and sign off the attached Section 22A Collaboration Agreements.

2. BACKGROUND:

- 2.1 In 2019, both Norfolk Constabulary and Suffolk Constabulary appointed single force Assistant Chief Officers (ACO) following the removal of the constabulary Chief Finance Officer posts.
- 2.2 The ACOs are appointed to jointly act as Portfolio Leads for a range of joint functions within the Constabularies.

3. AREAS FOR CONSIDERATION:

- 3.1 Three of the joint functions that have a revised reporting structure, with oversight and governance performed by ACOs jointly, are the subject of this report:
 - Joint ICT;
 - Joint Estates and Facilities;
 - Joint Transport Services.
- 3.2 Under the preferred partnership agreement, arrangements do exist to collaborate these three functions to provide a more efficient and effective use of resources. However, in line with the process in place, fundamental changes to the structure will require a resign of the agreements.

4. OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED:

- 4.1 These agreements are requested to be authorised and signed off with a backdated signature to 1st May 2019 as the functions have been reporting to the ACOs since this time.
- 4.2 Paragraph 6.2 in the body of the agreements confirm that any prior Section 22A Agreements relating to each of these functions will terminate with effect from the commencement date.
- 4.3 Consideration has been given to any further changes to the functions and structures. At this time there are no other fundamental changes to report therefore these are being progressed for signature.

5. STRATEGIC AIMS/OBJECTIVE SUPPORTED:

5.1 The strategic aims to provide a modern, effective, efficient and innovative service with good stewardship of tax-payers money are supported through these collaborations.

6. FINANCIAL AND OTHER RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

6.1 There are no known financial or other resource implications as this is a continuation of previous funding and cost sharing arrangements.

7. OTHER IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS:

7.1 There are no known other implications and/or risks.

PLEASE STATE 'YES' OR 'NO'
YES
N/A
YES

APPROVAL TO SUBMIT TO THE DECISION-MAKER (this approval is required only for submissions to the PCC).

Chief Executive

I am satisfied that relevant advice has been taken into account in the preparation of the report, that the recommendations have been reviewed and that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the PCC.

Signature:

Date 20-2-2020

Chief Finance Officer (Section 151 Officer)

I certify that:

a) there are no financial consequences as a result of this decision,

OR

 the costs identified in this report can be met from existing revenue or capital budgets,

OR

c) the costs identified in this report can be financed from reserves

AND

d) the decision can be taken on the basis of my assurance that Financial Regulations have been complied with.

Signature:

Date: 24.2.2020

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