



Subject: Section 22A Collaboration Agreement for the Joint Public Order and Public Safety (POPS) Gold and Silver Commander Cadre

Originator: Head of Portfolio Management Office

Decision no. 21/2025

Reason for submission: For approval and signing

Submitted to: CEO Mark Stokes

Summary:

This is a new collaboration agreement for Norfolk and Suffolk Constabularies to enable cross border POPS Gold and/or Silver Commander cover where one force has an unexpected demand that they are unable to resource from their own cadre.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Chief Executive of the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner is authorised to execute the Agreements to Collaborate (under Section 22A of the Police Act 1996).

Outcome/approval by: PCC

The recommendations as outlined above are approved.

Signature:

Date: 2/7/2025

Detail of the submission

1. Objective:

- 1.1 Signing of the Joint POPS Gold and Silver Commander Cadre Section 22A Collaboration Agreement is requested by the Norfolk and Suffolk Chief Constables and OPCCs to enable the Joint POPS Gold and Silver Commander Cadre to operate cross border.

2. Background:

- 2.1 Norfolk and Suffolk Constabularies have their own cadres for POPS Gold and Silver Commanders.
- 2.2 The purpose of the Joint POPS Gold and Silver Commander Cadre Section 22A Collaboration Agreement is to enable cross border POPS Gold and/or Silver Commander cover where one force has an unexpected demand that they are unable to resource from their own cadre.
- 2.3 Norfolk and Suffolk Constabularies will maintain a joint list of accredited POPS Gold and Silver Commanders able to undertake public order Gold and Silver functions across both force areas, where exigencies require.

3. Areas for consideration:

- 3.1 The Joint POPS Gold and Silver Commander Cadre Section 22A Collaboration Agreement is a new agreement and has the support of the Norfolk and Suffolk Chief Constables.

4. Other options considered:

- 4.1 No other options considered.

5. Strategic aims / objective supported:

- 5.1 The Joint POPS Gold and Silver Commander Cadre aligns to Norfolk and Suffolk Constabularies' values of transparency, public service, impartiality and integrity, the delivery of a modern, efficient, effective and innovative service with the right resources and good stewardship of taxpayers' money.

6. Financial and other resource implications:

- 6.1 There are no known additional financial or other resource implications associated with the Joint POPS Gold and Silver Commander Cadre.

7. Carbon Emissions and Other Environmental Implications:

Carbon Emissions

7.1 The estimated impact on our carbon emissions that must be reported under current statute from this proposal is:

Emission Categories:	Increase in tCO ₂	Saving in tCO ₂
Scope 1 – Fuel – Building Heating	N/A	N/A
Scope 1 – Fuel – Transport	N/A	N/A
Scope 2 – Electricity	N/A	N/A

Environmental Implications

7.2 No material implications.

8. Other implications and risks:

8.1 There are no known implications and risks associated with the Joint POPS Gold and Silver Commander Cadre.

Originator checklist (must be completed)	Please state 'yes' or 'no'
Has legal advice been sought on this submission?	Yes
Has the PCC's Chief Finance Officer been consulted?	No
Have equality, diversity and human rights implications been considered including equality analysis, as appropriate?	Yes
Have human resource implications been considered?	Yes
Is the recommendation consistent with the objectives in the Police and Crime Plan?	Yes
Has consultation been undertaken with people or agencies likely to be affected by the recommendation?	No
Has communications advice been sought on areas of likely media interest and how they might be managed?	No
Have sustainability and environmental factors been considered? (e.g. biodiversity, employee commuting, business travel, waste and recycling, water, air quality, food and catering and estates construction)	Yes
In relation to the above, have all relevant issues been highlighted in the 'other implications and risks' section of the submission?	Yes

Is this report a Confidential Decision?

~~Yes~~ / No

If Yes, please state reasons below having referred to the [PCC Decision Making Policy](#)

Approval to submit to the decision-maker (this approval is required only for submissions to the PCQ).

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: 2/7/2025

Chief Finance Officer (Section 151 Officer)

I certify that:

- a) there are no financial consequences as a result of this decision,
Or
- b) 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: 2/7/2025

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