



Strategic Police and Crime Board
4 February 2014

Variations to the Police and Crime Plan

Report of the Chief Executive

PURPOSE

1. This seeks the views of the Board on the variations which the Commissioner proposes to make to his Police and Crime Plan.

BACKGROUND

2. The Board received a report at its last meeting which outlined the approach the Commissioner is taking to making variations to his Police and Crime Plan. It also included the process by which such variations can be made. This includes consideration by the West Midlands Police and Crime Panel (the Panel).
3. Attached to this Report, at **Annex A**, is a copy of the paper being considered by the Panel on 4 February 2014, and the proposed varied Police and Crime Plan. An oral update on the comments from the Panel will be provided to the Board at the meeting at which this Report is to be considered. The Board will also wish to note that the Panel will be giving consideration to the level of precept that the Commissioner intends to set for 2014-15.
4. The Board is asked to take account of the Panel's views when considering the draft Plan. An earlier draft of the Plan was circulated to all Board members and discussed at the Board's informal group meeting held on 23 January 2014. The draft Plan provided to the Panel reflects the comments of the Board made at that meeting.
5. The Commissioner will be required to make a formal decision to issue any varied Police and Crime Plan and before doing so will have to consider any formal recommendations from the Panel. Any formal comments are unlikely to be available for the meeting of the Board on 4 February 2014. Therefore a draft of a Commissioner's decision paper on the Plan will be included in the Board's agenda for March.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

6. As stated earlier in this report the agenda for the meeting includes a separate paper dealing with the budget and precept for 2014-15. The budget and precept proposals are made in the knowledge of the proposed approach to the variations to the Plan.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

7. The legal position of making variations to the Plan and the consideration of those variations by the Police and Crime Panel are covered in the background section of the report to the Panel attached to this report.

RECOMMENDATIONS

8. The Commissioner seeks the views of the Board on his proposed variations to his Police and Crime Plan.

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