

CAMBRIDGESHIRE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL	Agenda Item No.8
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Report of Police and Crime Commissioner for Cambridgeshire and Peterborough

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DECISIONS BY THE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR CAMBRIDGESHIRE AND PETERBOROUGH

1. PURPOSE

- 1.1 This report is being presented to the Cambridgeshire Police and Crime Panel (the “Panel”) to enable it to review or scrutinise decisions taken by the Police and Crime Commissioner (the “Commissioner”) under Section 28 of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 (the “Act”).

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 The Panel is recommended to indicate whether it would wish to further review and scrutinise the decision (referred to in Appendix 1) taken by the Commissioner, and if so further information can be provided for a future meeting.
- 2.2 The Panel are recommended to note that as they already receive copies of the individual Decision Notices, and the Panel has no power to scrutinise future decisions, this therefore negates the need for future reporting requirements in the form of this report to the Panel.

3. TERMS OF REFERENCE

- 3.1 Item 6 - To review or scrutinise decisions made, or other action taken, by the Commissioner in connection with the discharge of the Commissioner’s functions.

4. BACKGROUND

- 4.1 This report is presented to enable the Panel to carry out its functions to review or scrutinise decisions made and to support the effective exercise of the functions of the Commissioner.

5. KEY ISSUES

- 5.1 Section 28(6) of the Act specifies the Panel role with respect to decision making as follows that a Panel must:

(a) review or scrutinise decisions made, or other action taken, by the relevant police and crime commissioner in connection with the discharge of the commissioner's functions.

- 5.2 There is no provision within the Act for review or scrutiny of future decisions.

- 5.3 The decision taken by the Commissioner since the last Panel meeting on the 15th September 2021, which has been notified to the Panel, is attached at Appendix 1 with the relevant Decision Record attached at Appendix 2.

5.4 All papers relating to Decision Records are available on the Commissioner's website. The Panel receive notification when the Commissioner publishes Business Coordination Board papers.

6. IMPLICATIONS

6.1 The Commissioner's forthcoming Police and Crime Plan (which is being submitted to the Panel at their November 2021 meeting) will provide the direction for decision making. The Medium Term Financial Strategy, which aims to draw together the strategic planning priorities, demand and resource forecasts and likely impact of changes in the wider service delivery environment to produce a costed plan, also provides the backdrop to future decision making.

6.2 The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner's (OPCC) Chief Executive and Monitoring Officer is satisfied that the current arrangements regarding both the Commissioner's and the Panel's legislative duties in respect of decisions are met, as follows:

- The OPCC send a copy of the individual Decision Notice to the Panel's Secretariat for circulation to the Panel members.
- In addition, and in accordance with The Elected Local Policing Bodies (Specified Information) Order 2011, a record of each decision of significant public interest arising from the exercise of the Commissioner's functions, whether made by the body at or as a result of a meeting or otherwise, is published on the Commissioner's website.

6.3 This therefore negates the need for the OPCC to produce this Decisions Report in the future. However, subject to the Panel's need for further information or scrutiny on any of the decisions already made, it may be required that further information is submitted to a future meeting of the Panel.

7. CONSULTATION

7.1 This Decision Record has been placed on the Commissioner's website and notified to the Panel.

8. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

8.1 Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011
<https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2011/13/contents>

The Elected Local Policing Bodies (Specified Information) Order 2011
<https://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2011/3050/contents/made>

9. APPENDICES

Appendix 1 – Decision record notified to the Panel since its last meeting on the September 2021

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Appendix 2 – Decision record

Decision Record notified to the Cambridgeshire Police and Crime Panel since 15th September 2021

Date	Decision Record	Subject	Decision
30 th September 2021	CPC 2021-015	Award of contract for South East and Eastern Region Police Insurance Consortium (SEERPIC)	To award the contract for SEERPIC Liability Insurance

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