



**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CAMBRIDGESHIRE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL
HELD AT HUNTINGDONSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL
ON 15 AUGUST 2024**

Members Present: Claire George (Chair), John Gowing (Vice Chair) Anna Bradnam, Lucie Foice-Beard, Julie Kerr, Alan Sharp and Christine Whelan

Officers Present: Neil McArthur – Monitoring Officer (PCC), Rachel Edwards – Head of Constitutional Services, Daniel Snowdon - Democratic and Constitutional Services Manager and Philippa Rose – Senior Democratic Services Officer (CPCP)

OPCC: Jack Hudson – Interim CEO, Nicky Edwards – Assistant Chief Executive Officer

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies of absence were received from Councillors: Marge Beutell, Chris Harper, John Fox and Susan Wallwork.

2. Declarations of Interest

There were none.

3. Proposed Appointment of the Interim Chief Executive Officer - Confirmation Hearing

This report was submitted to the Panel following notification from the Police and Crime Commissioner of their proposed appointment to the post of Interim Chief Executive Officer on 29th July 2024.

4. Appointment of The Cambridgeshire Police and Crime Commissioner's Interim Chief Executive Officer

The Panel received the report of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Cambridgeshire in respect of the proposed Interim Chief Executive Officer appointment which in accordance with the requirements of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011, Schedule 1, Paragraph 6, provided details of:

- The name of the person whom the commissioner is proposing to appoint (“the candidate”);
- The criteria used to assess the suitability of the candidate for the appointment.
- Why the candidate satisfied those criteria; and
- The terms and conditions on which the candidate is to be appointed.

The Chair welcomed David Jack Hudson to the Confirmation Hearing, the proposed candidate for the position of Interim Chief Executive Officer at the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner.

Mr Hudson was advised on the procedure for the Hearing. This would involve Panel members asking questions to Mr Hudson to obtain information on how he would meet the criteria for the Interim Chief Executive Officer post and his suitability for the role. Mr Hudson would also be given the opportunity to ask questions of the Panel on the Confirmation Hearing process.

The Chair advised those present that in accordance with Part 1 of schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, following the conclusion of the questions being asked by the Panel or Mr Hudson, it was proposed that the Panel would deliberate following the closure of the meeting to determine a recommendation to the Commissioner on whether to approve or refuse the appointment.

The Chair stated that the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner would be advised of the Panel's recommendation by the following day. It would be for the Commissioner to decide whether to accept or reject the Panel's recommendation.

The Panel's recommendation would be published onto the Cambridgeshire Police and Crime Panel website within five working days.

A focus of the Panel Members in asking questions of the candidate was to assure themselves of his professional competence and personal independence for the role.

At the conclusion of the Panel's questions and responses from Mr Hudson the Chair thanked David Jack Hudson for attending the hearing.

CHAIRMAN
11.30am- 12.30pm