

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Cabinet
Date:	30 April 2012
Title:	Police and Crime Panel – Panel Arrangements
Reference:	3876
Report From:	Chief Executive

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1. The decision:

1.2 That it be recommended to full Council that:

- a) The recommended terms on which the Police and Crime Panel should be established are endorsed.
- b) Subject to 17.3, the Panel Arrangements in Appendix 1 to this report are approved.
- c) The Chief Executive be authorised to agree any further minor amendments to the Panel Arrangements necessary to ensure statutory compliance, once the Home Secretary's regulations and guidance have been published.
- d) A member be appointed as the Council's Appointed Member to the Panel.
- e) A member be identified to act as "Deputy Member" and, where the Appointed Member is temporarily unable to attend a Panel meeting or otherwise undertake Panel business, the Chief Executive be authorised to give notice of temporary change of membership for a period of up to 28 days, to enable the Deputy Member to deputise in the Appointed Member's absence.

2. Reason(s) for the decision:

2.1. The Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 ("the Act") introduces changes to the arrangements for governance of the Policing Service. In November 2012, police authorities will be abolished and replaced by a Police and Crime Commissioner ("the Commissioner") for each policing area. The Commissioner will be responsible for securing the maintenance of an efficient and effective police force for the area, and hold the Chief Constable to account for the exercise of his/her functions. The Commissioner will also be responsible for issuing and keeping under review a Police and Crime Plan, setting out local policing priorities and how policing is to be resourced. The Act also requires the local authorities for each policing area to establish a

Police and Crime Panel to review and scrutinise the Commissioner's actions and decisions, with a view to supporting the work of the Commissioner.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

3.1. None. The establishment of a Police and Crime Panel is a requirement of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011.

4. Conflicts of interest:

4.1. Conflicts of interest declared by the decision-maker: None

4.2. Conflicts of interest declared by other Executive Members consulted: None

5. Dispensation granted by the Standards Committee: none.

6. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent: not applicable.

7. Statement from the Decision Maker:

Approved by:

Date:

30 April 2012

**Chairman of the Cabinet
Councillor T K Thornber, CBE**