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HAMPSHIRE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL

Report

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Title:	Co-option of an Additional Local Authority Member to the Police and Crime Panel								
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1. Executive Summary

1.1 The purpose of this paper is to recommend appointment of a Liberal Democrat local authority member to the Hampshire Police and Crime Panel.

2. Legislative Context

- 2.1 In accordance with Schedule 6, paragraph 4 of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 ("the Act"), the Hampshire Police and Crime Panel ("the Panel") may resolve to appoint up to three additional co-opted members in order to meet the balanced appointment objective, subject to authorisation from the Secretary of State.
- 2.2 A decision of the Panel to co-opt a person who is a member of a local authority in the Hampshire Police area must be a unanimous decision of the Panel and must be notified to the Secretary of State in writing (including the Panel's reasons for deciding that co-opting that person would enable the balanced appointment objective to be, or contribute to the objective being, met or more effectively met).

3. Process

- 3.1 It was resolved at the 29 June 2012 meeting that county-wide political structures would be used to identify three additional Local Authority co-opted members.
- 3.2 The Panel agreed that they would achieve a better political balance, and thereby enable the balanced appointment objective to be, or contribute to the objective being, met or more effectively met, through the appointment of additional members from the minority groups. Therefore two Liberal Democrat and one Labour member were sought through the process described in paragraph 3.1.
- 3.3 Since this time, local elections have led to changes of membership on the Police and Crime Panel, which has resulted in a vacancy for a Local Authority additional co-opted member, if still required to meet, or better meet, the balanced appointment objective.

3.4 The proportionality table for the Panel, attached as Appendix 1, highlights that should the Panel use this vacancy to co-opt an additional Liberal Democrat, the balanced appointment objective would be better met.

4. Recommendations

- 4.1 That the following local authority member is appointed to the Hampshire Police and Crime Panel:
 - Councillor Lynne Stagg, Portsmouth (Portsmouth City Council) (Lib Dem)

Section 100 D - Local Government Act 1972 - background documents

The following documents discuss facts or matters on which this report, or an important part of it, is based and have been relied upon to a material extent in the preparation of this report. (NB: the list excludes published works and any documents which disclose exempt or confidential information as defined in the Act.)

<u>Document</u>	Location
10. Proposed arrangements for the co- option of Members to the Police and Crime Panel	http://documents.hants.gov.uk/partnerships/2012-06-29PoliceandCrimePaneIItem10.pdf
6. Co-option of Additional Local Authority Members to the Police and Crime Panel	http://www3.hants.gov.uk/co- option_of_additional_local_authority_ membersadditional_local_authority_m embers_to_the_police_and_crime_pa_ nel.pdf
5. Co-option of Additional Local Authority Members to the Police and Crime Panel	http://documents.hants.gov.uk/partnerships/2012-12-07PoliceandCrimePaneIItem5AdditionalLocalAuthorityMembers.pdf

POLICE & CRIME PANEL PROPORTIONALITY 2014/15

Panel composition of 15 and 18 seats:

Authority	Con	Lib Dem	Lab	Sub Total	UKIP	Green	ССН	Ind	Vacancies	TOTAL number of seats
Basingstoke & Deane	29	8	17	54	2			4		60
East Hampshire	39	3		42				2		44
Eastleigh	4	40		44						44
Fareham	23	5		28	1			2		31
Gosport	21	6	6	33	1					34
Hampshire County	46	16	4	66	10		1	1		78
Hart	14	9		23			9	1		33
Havant	31	1	4	36	2					38
Isle of Wight	15	1	2	18	2			20		40
New Forest	52	6		58	2					60
Portsmouth	12	19	4	35	6			1		42
Rushmoor	24		12	36	2				1	38

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Southampton	18	0	28	46				2		48
Test Valley	35	12		47				1		48
Winchester	28	25	3	56				1		57
TOTAL	391	151	80	622	28	0	10	35	1	695
Proportionality %	56.26%	21.73%	11.51%		4.03%	0.00%	1.44%	5.04%	0.14%	100.00%
Therefore of the 15 seats (to 2 decimal points)	8.44	3.26	1.73		0.60	0.00	0.22	0.76	0.02	15.00
Rounded up/down	9	4	2		0	0	0	0	0	
Therefore of the 18 seats (to 2 decimal points)	10.13	3.91	2.07		0.73	0.00	0.26	0.91	0.03	18.00
Rounded up/down	11	5	2		0	0	0	0	0	