

WEST MERCIA POLICE AND CRIME PANEL 26 SEPTEMBER 2017

POLICE AND CRIME PANELS – CONSULTATION ON PROPOSALS FOR NATIONAL REPRESENTATION

Recommendation

- 1. Members of the West Mercia Police and Crime Panel (PCP) are asked to consider and comment on the Consultation on Proposals for National Representation in order that the views of the Panel can be fed back to the Chairman of Hertfordshire PCP who is co-ordinating a response on behalf of all Police and Crime Panels.**

Background

2. The Chairman of the Hertfordshire PCP has over recent months been co-ordinating some discussions on the subject of a national representative body for PCPs. West Mercia Panel member Councillor Sebastian Bowen attended an exploratory meeting about this and reported back to the Panel meeting on 19 June. The thinking to date has been consolidated into a discussion paper, which is attached at Appendix 1.
3. The paper sets out three options for consideration: an Association, a Special Interest Group or a Combination of the first two options.
4. The plan is to seek the views of Police and Crime Panels and issue a revised document in mid-October to inform a discussion and agreement on the way forward at the National Conference on 6 November 2017

Supporting Information

Appendix 1 – Police and Crime Panels – Consultation on proposals for national representation

Specific Contact Points for this report

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Background Papers

In the opinion of the proper officer (in this case the Head of Legal and Democratic Services) the following are the background papers relating to the subject matter of this report:

Agenda and Minutes of the West Mercia Police and Crime Panel

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