

**13 November 2014**

## **5. VISIT BY THE WEST MERCIA POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER**

### **Police and Crime Commissioner**

1. The Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 introduced significant changes in police governance and accountability, in particular replacing the structure of Police Authorities with directly elected Police and Crime Commissioners (PCC). The public accountability for the delivery and performance of the police service within each force area is placed into the hands of the PCC on behalf of their electorate. The PCC sets and shapes the strategic objectives of their force area in consultation with the Chief Constable. The West Mercia PCC is scrutinised by the West Mercia Police and Crime Panel. The Council's representative on that Panel is Mr Tony Miller.

2. Mr Bill Longmore was elected as the PCC for West Mercia in November 2012. He has agreed to attend this meeting to give a brief presentation on the priorities within his Police and Crime Plan 2013 - 2017 and answer questions asked by councillors.

### **Supporting Information**

The Police And Crime Plan 2013 – 2017 which can be accessed at <http://www.westmercia-pcc.gov.uk/Document-Library/Publications/P&CPlanvariedFeb2014-FINAL.pdf>

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### **Background Papers**

In the opinion of the proper officer (in this case the Head of Legal and Democratic Services) there are no background papers relating to the subject matter of this report.