# POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR THE WEST MIDLANDS

#### **NON-CONFIDENTIAL**

# NOTICE OF DECISION

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**Title: Annual Report 2018** 

# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Production and publication of an annual report (including an opportunity for recommendations from the Police and Crime Panel to which the Police and Crime Commissioner must respond) is a statutory requirement for Police and Crime Commissioners.

This decision approves the Annual Report for 2017/18 (attached) and decides the manner of its dissemination.

## **DECISION**

To approve the Annual Report 2017/18 with electronic dissemination and the circulation of hard copies to central libraries in each local authority area.

# **Police and Crime Commissioner for the West Midlands**

I confirm that I do not have any disclosable pecuniary interests in this decision and take the decision in compliance with the Code of Conduct for the Police and Crime Commissioner of the West Midlands. Any interests are indicated below.

Signature...

Date.....

# NON - CONFIDENTIAL FACTS AND ADVICE TO THE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER

#### INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

Production of an annual report is a statutory requirement. Part 1, Chapter 3, Section 12 of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 states,

Each elected local policing body must produce a report (an "annual report") on—

- (a)the exercise of the body's functions in each financial year, and
- (b)the progress which has been made in the financial year in meeting the police and crime objectives in the body's police and crime plan.
- (2)As soon as practicable after producing an annual report, the elected local policing body must send the report to the relevant police and crime panel.
- (3)The elected local policing body must attend before the panel at the public meeting arranged by the panel in accordance with section 28(4), to—
- (a)present the report to the panel, and
- (b)answer the panel's questions on the report.
- (4)The elected local policing body must—
- (a)give the panel a response to any report or recommendations on the annual report (see section 28(4)), and
- (b)publish any such response.
- (5)It is for the police and crime panel to determine the manner in which a response to a report or recommendations is to be published in accordance with subsection (4)(b).
- (6)An elected local policing body must arrange for each annual report to be published.

It is a statutory requirement to publish the annual report, and it is for the Commissioner to "determine the manner" of publication. It is proposed that the annual report will be published on the Commissioner's website. A limited print run will enable copies to be sent to central libraries across the West Midlands.

#### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The annual report was designed with the assistance of WMP's Design and Print Team and produced by the West Midlands Police and Crime Commissioner, therefore no external costs have been incurred in its preparation. Electronic dissemination incurs no additional costs. The cost of a limited print run will be met from within existing budgets.

#### **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

A decision to approve then publish the annual report ensures compliance with the requirements of Part 1, Chapter 3, Section 12 of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011.

#### **EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS**

Copies of the annual report in large print, other languages and alternative formats will be provided on request and the electronic version on the Commissioner's website is accessible to the screen reader adapted for the site.

# **Schedule of Background Papers**

None

## **Public Access to Information**

Information contained in this decision is subject to the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and other legislation. This decision will be made available on the Commissioner's website.

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