



Lancashire Constabulary

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REPORT TO THE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER AND CHIEF CONSTABLE FOR LANCASHIRE

DECISION 2016/59	DATE: 22 MARCH 2017
TITLE : NATIONAL BALLISTIC INTELLIGENCE SERVICE (NABIS) COLLABORATION AGREEMENT	
REPORT BY: IAN DICKINSON	

Executive Summary

NABIS is the UK's National Ballistic Intelligence Service. It provides fast time ballistic intelligence for police forces across the UK, helping forces to identify how firearms move from location to location and force to force. It provides valuable intelligence that allows forces to understand the nature and threat of gun crime in their area.

NABIS is required to be formally established by a collaboration agreement under section 22A of the Police Act 1996.

Such an agreement requires the agreement of the Police and Crime Commissioner

Recommendation

That the Police and Crime Commissioner and Chief Constable agree to enter in to the National Ballistic Intelligence Service Collaboration Agreement

The Director be authorised to execute the Collaboration Agreement on the Police and Crime Commissioner's behalf

Signature <i>Clive Grunshaw</i>	Signature <i>Stanning</i>
Police and Crime Commissioner	Chief Constable
Date 27 th March 2017	Date 28/3/17

PART II

1. Background and Advice

1.1 Following the review of ACPO by General Sir Nick Parker, NABIS was identified as having an essential responsibility for delivery of its core areas of expertise. However, it was agreed that future public funding was to be re-organised in some cases so as to align more effectively with individual force contribution.

1.2 Police and Crime Commissioners agreed that NABIS continues to offer value for money and that the hosting provision currently in place with West Midlands Police Force and greater Manchester Police Force should be retained.

1.3 The NABIS Governance Board will meet every 6 months and all forces have access to the Board through NPCC partner members, the NABIS Senior Responsible Officer and the Head of NABIS.

1.5 NABIS is funded solely by contributions made from Police and Crime Commissioner funds of the 43 police forces of England and Wales based on annual Home Office ONS data linked to the levels of gun crime within individual forces.

1.4 In order to ensure that NABIS can continue to function, it is necessary to provide a vehicle to ensure that collaborative and co-ordinated policing activity can take place.

1.5 This agreement is made pursuant to Section 22A of the Police Act 1996 which enables police forces and local policing bodies to make an agreement about the discharge of functions by officers and staff where it is in the interests of the efficiency and effectiveness of their own and other police force areas.

2. Links to the Police and Crime Plan

2.1 Officers will be deployed under the direction of NABIS and into specific operational roles in support of the national response to strategic policing threats.

3. Consultation

4. Implications

a. Legal

Section 22A of the Police Act 1996 (as amended) provides the statutory framework for collaboration agreements by "policing bodies" (such as Police and Crime Commissioners) and chief officers of police.

The collaboration agreement, when enacted, will be published separately, as required by Section 23E of the Police Act 1996

b. Financial

This collaboration agreement sets out the 'funding parties' for NABIS. These include the Police and Crime Commissioners for all territorial police forces in England and Wales based on the levels of gun crime within individual forces and set out in schedule 5 of the agreement. Contributions are paid annually.

The Lancashire share for 2016/17 will be circa £55,000

c. Equality considerations


There are no equalities implications associated with this decision.

5. Background Papers

6. Public access to information

Information in this form is subject to the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and other legislation.

Part 1 of this form will be made available on the PCC website within 3 working days of approval. Any facts/advice/recommendations that should not be made available on request should not be included in Part 1 but instead on the separate Part 2 form.

Officer declaration	Date
LEGAL IMPLICATIONS – As above	
FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS – As above	
EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS – As above	
CONSULTATION – As above	
Director to the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (Monitoring Officer) I have been informed about the proposal and confirm that financial, legal and equalities advice has been taken into account in the preparation of this report. I am satisfied that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the Police and Crime Commissioner for Lancashire. Signature..... Date.....24.3.17.....	

