



ACCOUNTABILITY BOARD

TUESDAY 7 JUNE 2022 AT 1.30PM IN ROOM 8, THE EXCHANGE, COUNTY HALL, PRESTON

MINUTES

PRESENT

Andrew Snowden - Police and Crime Commissioner
Chris Rowley - Chief Constable, Lancashire Constabulary

IN ATTENDANCE

Sacha Hatchett – Deputy Chief Constable, Lancashire Constabulary
Russ Procter – Assistant Chief Constable, Lancashire Constabulary
Gillian Routledge – Chief Operating Officer, Lancashire Constabulary
Steve Freeman – Chief Finance Officer, Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner
Dan Rodgers – Chief Finance Officer, Lancashire Constabulary
Duncan Arthur – Inspector, Lancashire Constabulary
Ian Dickinson – Head of Governance and Accountability, Office of Police and Crime Commissioner

APOLOGIES

Angela Harrison – Director, Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner
Ian Dawson – Assistant Chief Constable, Lancashire Constabulary
Pete Lawson – Assistant Chief Constable, Lancashire Constabulary
Stasia Osiowy – Chief Superintendent, Lancashire Constabulary

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The Police and Crime Commissioner was pleased to note that all the actions identified at the last meeting had either been completed or ongoing and no actions were outstanding.

CURRENT AND SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

The Commissioner was advised that HMICFRS had now completed its full inspection of Lancashire Constabulary and that a formal debrief would be held on the 15 June 2022.



Both the Chief Constable and the Commissioner wished to place on record their thanks for the hard work of staff involved in the HMICFRS inspection.

The Chief Constable's Chief Finance Officer raised a note of caution in relation to the recruitment of police officers through the uplift programme and advised the Commissioner that the Home Office had indicated that there would be a financial penalty for failing to achieve the Government's targeted increase.

It was noted that the Constabulary had established a Gold Meeting, chaired by the Chief Operating Officer, to monitor the recruitment of officers through the uplift programme.

HMICFRS VFM PROFILES

The Police and Crime Commissioner received a presentation on the HMICFRS value for money (VfM) profiles which provide comparative data on a wide range of policing activities based on data provided by the police.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was noted that the next scheduled meeting was the 17 August 2022.

EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

That the press and public be excluded from the Meeting during the consideration of the following Items of business on the grounds that there would be a likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the Freedom of Information Act 2000 as indicated against the heading to the Item, and the public interest not to disclose it outweighed the public interest in disclosing it.

PART II – PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL

DELIVERY PLAN

Section 44

The Police and Crime Commissioner received a report setting out the Constabulary's progress against the priorities and measures set out in the Police and Crime Plan.

SAVINGS AND EFFICIENCY PLAN

Section 40



The Police and Crime Commissioner received a report setting out the Constabulary's savings and efficiency plan developed to meet the continued challenges facing policing whilst meeting the requirement to achieve a balanced budget.

INSPECTIONS, AUDITS AND REVIEWS

Section 22

The Commissioner received an update on PEEL inspections and heard how progress was being monitored.

Mrs A Harrison
Director