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## **Regional Collaboration Update**

### **1. Purpose of the Report**

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide the Audit and Scrutiny panel members with an update on the progress made in relation to regional collaboration.

### **2. Recommendations**

- 2.1 It is recommended that members note the content of this report and the attached appendix (appendix A).

### **3. Reasons for Recommendations**

- 3.1 To ensure that members are aware of the latest developments and future arrangements in relation to collaboration in the East Midlands.

### **4. Summary of Key Points**

- 4.1 The attached appendix (appendix A) provides the latest position in relation to the collaborative projects currently being undertaken in the East Midlands region.
- 4.2 It should be noted that Nottinghamshire Police is also pursuing collaborative endeavours with other local service providers, such as Community Protection in the City, as well as co-location options with District and Borough Councils and the East Midlands Ambulance Service in addition to those programmes highlighted in the attached appendix.
- 4.3 Nottinghamshire Police is dedicated to providing a first class service to the public of Nottingham and Nottinghamshire, as well as to communities across the East Midlands region, through effective collaboration.
- 4.4 The Force, along with every other Police Force nationally, is facing severe cuts to funding this year and we anticipate that these cuts will continue over the next 5 years, with 'unprotected departments' being asked to plan for 25 – 40% budget cuts by 2020.

- 4.5 It is, therefore, essential that we find the best way to deliver the best service to members of the public in Nottinghamshire and the regional areas in the East Midlands.

## **5. Financial Implications and Budget Provision**

- 5.1 Continued, successful, collaboration in the East Midlands between Police Forces has many benefits, not least financial benefits for Nottinghamshire Police.
- 5.2 EMSOU has its own budget provisions for the Departments that come within this arena.

## **6. Human Resources Implications**

- 6.1 There have been a number of Officers from Nottinghamshire Police who have been successful in applying for roles in regional teams, such as Counter Terrorism, Serious and Organised Crime, and Homicide.
- 6.2 By sharing resources across East Midlands Forces we can ensure best value for money through a consistency of approach and efficiency in our response from specialist teams to members of the public in each of the counties who are part of the collaborations.

## **7. Equality Implications**

- 7.1 There are no equality implications arising from this report.

## **8. Risk Management**

- 8.1 There are no risks highlighted in this report.

## **9. Policy Implications and links to the Police and Crime Plan Priorities**

- 9.1 The work of the East Midlands Collaboration team is clearly linked to the seven priorities of the Police and Crime Plan. Collaboration is not only pragmatic, but will help achieve results that enhance the way the police service in the region does business.

## **10. Changes in Legislation or other Legal Considerations**

- 10.1 There are no relevant changes in legislation or other legal considerations with regards to this report.

## **11. Details of outcome of consultation**

- 11.1 There is no requirement for consultation as a result of this paper, which is for update only.

## **12. Appendices**

## 12.1 Appendix A – Collaborative Projects Update, August 2015