

Audit and Scrutiny Panel

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POLICE & CRIME ACT 2017

1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 This bill became enacted on 31st January 2017. Whilst this Act covers many changes to policing there are two elements that have a significant governance impact. Firstly, the provision for collaboration between emergency services and secondly, the provision relating to complaints relating to police.
- 1.2 Attached at **Appendix A** is a report detailing the national issues and some of the local issues in relation to the provision for emergency services to collaborate.
- 1.3 A further report will be provided to the Panel in relation to the complaints procedure in the near future.
- 1.4 This report is intended for information and assurance.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 Members are requested to note this report.

3. Reasons for Recommendations

- 3.1 This report provides information and assurance in relation to significant governance changes.

4. Summary of Key Points

- 4.1 This report focuses on one significant area of the new Police & Crime Act 2017.
- 4.2 The Act makes a provision for emergency services to collaborate. This includes Police, Fire and Ambulance.
- 4.3 The Act also makes provision for the Police & Crime Commissioner to be the Fire and Rescue Authority for the area.

5. Financial Implications and Budget Provision

- 5.1 None as a result of this report.

6. Human Resources Implications

- 6.1 None as a result of this report.

7. Equality Implications

7.1 None as a result of this report

8. Risk Management

8.1 None as a result of this report. However, once a way forward is decided there will be risks that will need to be managed.

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

9.1 There are no implications to the current Police & Crime Plan priorities.

10. Details of outcome of consultation

10.1 The Government undertook consultation in the production of the act. Depending on future decisions further consultation will be required.

11. Appendices

A Police & Crime Act 2017 – Emergency Services