NOTTINGHAMSHIRE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL

29 JUNE 2017

REGIONAL COLLABORATION WORKSHOP EVENT

Purpose of the Report

1. To seek approval to progress plans for a workshop on the issue of Police Regional Collaboration.

Information and Advice

- At its meeting of 24 April 2017, the Panel agreed in principle to further develop a proposal to hold a workshop event to look at the issue of Regional Collaboration between the five Police forces and Police and Crime Commissioners (PCC) in the region.
- 3. The Workshop aims to:-
 - enable an agreement on a structure for how Panels can collect evidence and monitor regional collaboration activities on an ongoing basis. This will be so they can support and challenge their respective PCCs.
 - provide the opportunity to review the agreed common set of questions on regional collaboration for each East Midlands PCC.
 - provide the opportunity to give respective Panels the same level of knowledge and understanding of regional collaboration activities and those from outside the East Midlands area.
 - provide the opportunity to learn from other Panels across the country on how they challenge and support their PCC on collaboration.
 - allow Panels to challenge and support the governance, accountability and performance monitoring arrangements of the East Midlands Regional Collaboration.
- 4. A further planning meeting has subsequently been held with the potential organisers Frontline Consultancy, attended by the support officers for the Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Police and Crime Panels (Panels).
- 5. A suitable central location is being sought, with one possible option being East Midlands Councils at Melton Mowbray, which kindly hosts the ongoing Regional NPCP Network meetings.

- 6. It is hoped that Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary, who produced a review of Collaboration Arrangements in the region in 2013 at the request of the five PCCs, will be able to send a representative to the event.
- 7. The draft outline programme for the event consists of:-
 - 10.30am Arrivals and refreshments
 - 11.00am Context setting and information sharing with input from HMIC, PCCs and Chief Constables
 - 12.30pm Lunch
 - 1.00pm 3.00pm Workshop Next steps in reviewing Collaboration Arrangements - Panel Members only, facilitated by Frontline Consultancy
- 8. At this stage, plans are still being finalised but it is anticipated that the workshop will take place in the week commencing 9th October 2017 and all five PCCs and Chief Constables will be invited to attend or send appropriate representatives. Availability is currently being canvassed in order to finalise the date. Each PCP will be able to send five Members to the event.
- 9. It is hoped that Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary, who produced a review of Collaboration Arrangements in the region in 2013 at the requests of the five PCCs, will be able to send a representative to the event.
- 10. The costs are likely to be approximately £550 per Panel (subject to all five Panels confirming their initial agreement to being involved), which will include the cost of lunch and refreshments.

Other Options Considered

11. It is proposed that a regional workshop event is the best way of progressing this issue. It could be argued that the support officers of each Panel could arrange the workshop event without external input but this would prevent the Panels utilising the wider experience and specialist skills of an organisation such as Frontline Consultancy.

Reasons for Recommendation/s

12. To enable a consistent and clear understanding of progress with Regional Collaboration to be shared across the five Panels in the East Midlands region.

RECOMMENDATION

That approval be given to finalise plans for the workshop event, to be facilitated by Frontline Consultancy.

Background Papers and Published Documents

- 1) HMIC Report 2013 Working Together A review of the arrangements for collaboration between the five East Midlands police forces, commissioned by the police and crime commissioners for the region (published).
- 2) Report to 24 April 2017 meeting Proposal for a Regional Collaboration Workshop Event and minutes of that meeting (published).

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