

## **APPOINTMENTS TO POLICE AND CRIME PANEL**

### **SUMMARY**

- 1.1 Derbyshire County Council is hosting the Police and Crime Panel, which is being established to scrutinise the new Police Commissioner for Derbyshire, due to be elected on Thursday 15 November.
- 1.2 Under the interim arrangements, the county council is seeking to appoint one member from each authority in Derby and Derbyshire. Two further independent members can be appointed at a later date by the initial panel of 10.
- 1.3 Given that one quarter of Derbyshire's population reside in Derby, representation of one city councillor among 10 is considered not proportionate.
- 1.4 The county council is also seeking agreement that in the interim the Police and Crime Panel should be chaired by the appointed county councillor. On the same principles as set out at paragraph 1.3, this is considered not proportionate.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

- 2.1 To appoint Councillor Dhindsa as the council's lead member in relation to the Police and Crime Panel, and to advise Derbyshire County Council accordingly.
- 2.2 To instruct officers and member appointees to make strong representations that a 10 per cent city representation on the Police and Crime Panel is not proportionate.
- 2.3 To instruct officers to inform Derbyshire County Council that the city council feels it would be appropriate to appoint two additional members to the Police and Crime Panel, namely:
  - Councillor Afzal
  - A representative of the Conservative group
- 2.4 To instruct officers and member appointees to make strong representations that the Chair of the Police and Crime Panel should be appointed at the inaugural meeting of the panel.

2.5 To recommend to Derbyshire County Council in the interim and to the Police and Crime Panel in the longer term that an appropriate and proportionate county-wide panel would consist of 15 members, namely:

- Seven Labour elected members
- Five Conservative elected members
- One Liberal Democrat elected member
- Two independent lay members

#### **REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION**

3.1 To ensure Derby is properly and proportionately represented on the Police and Crime Panel.

#### **OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

4.1 To make a single appointment as per the request by Derbyshire County Council. For the reasons detailed in paragraph 1.3, this is considered to be not proportionate.

**This report has been approved by the following officers:**

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<b>IMPLICATIONS</b>
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**Financial and Value for Money**

1.1 None

**Legal**

2.1 The establishment of a Police and Crime Panel is required under the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011

**Personnel**

3.1 None

**Equalities Impact**

4.1 None

**Health and Safety**

5.1 None

**Environmental Sustainability**

6.1 None

**Asset Management**

7.1 None

**Risk Management**

8.1 None

**Corporate objectives and priorities for change**

9.1 None

