

Cheshire Constabulary

Partner Service Level Agreement

Cheshire East Council

**“Working together to deliver Safer and Stronger Neighbourhoods where
people are safe, feel safe and act to help each other”**



**SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT FOR THE PROVISION OF £XXXXXX TO
BE USED DIRECTLY IN SUPPORT OF NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING
WITHIN THE CHESHIRE EAST BOROUGH**

THIS AGREEMENT is made the ___ day of March 2011 between the Cheshire Constabulary **(1)** of Cheshire Constabulary Headquarters, Clemonds Hey, Oakmere Road, Winsford, Cheshire CW7 2UA (hereinafter called “the Constabulary”) of the one part and Cheshire East Borough Council, Middlewich Rd, Sandbach, Cheshire CW11 1HZ **(2) (hereinafter called the Partner)** of the other part.

WHEREAS:-

The Safer Cheshire East Partnership wish to support and enhance the service capacity of Cheshire Constabulary Neighbourhood Policing Teams, by providing £150,000 of funds in direct support of Policing Neighbourhoods in partnership. This agreement will directly contribute towards achieving the policing objectives 3 and 4 as set out in the Policing plan 2011 – 2014.

NOW IT IS HEREBY AGREED AS FOLLOWS:-

1. Aim of this Agreement

The aim of this Agreement is to develop Partnership working towards reducing Crime & Disorder and increase the level of public confidence leading to a greater level of reassurance through the provision of funding support to Cheshire Neighbourhood Policing.

Funding under this agreement will only be utilised in the direct support of Neighbourhood Policing within Cheshire East.

2. Developing Neighbourhood Services

Neighbourhood policing is a way of working which allows the police, its partners and the public to work closely together to solve problems of crime and disorder, and improve feelings of security. The key elements being,

- The consistent presence of dedicated neighbourhood teams capable of working with the community to establish and maintain control – to be visible, accessible, skilled, knowledgeable and familiar to the community;
- Intelligence led identification of concerns from the community, and the Safer Cheshire East Partnership, leading to prompt, effective, targeted action against those concerned
- Joint action and problem solving with the community and other local partners in order to improve the local environment and quality of life within the community.

Neighbourhood Policing is not simply about policing outcomes, it also aims to align local policing activity to a neighbourhood management and community agenda and toward a style and culture where neighbourhood specialists can directly impact upon confidence and satisfaction levels through effective problem solving, greater partnership working and through closer interaction and co-operation with local people.

The Constabulary will provide Quarterly Neighborhood Policing Performance data to the partnerships through the local Task and Co- ordination groups or how otherwise identified. The specific measures are set out at **Appendix 1**, together with current baseline performance.

4. Role of Partners

Active engagement is required between Partner Agencies and the Constabulary through attendance at local tasking arrangements. The Partner will contribute funding as identified earlier, in this Agreement working together to ensure Neighbourhood Policing is focused and tasked with issues that are important to the local community.

Partners will be expected to recognise that there are wider resources available for local neighbourhood management.

5. Management of Finance

The Partner will contribute the agreed sum per annum, 6 months in advance via cheque or BACS.

Cheques are to be made payable to Cheshire Police Authority.

Payment must be made within 30 days of receipt of invoice, and will be paid Six monthly in advance Failure to adhere to this will be considered a breach of this Agreement..

5. Exit strategy

The agreement between the Constabulary and the Partner may be terminated by either party giving 3 months notice.

The commencement date for the purposes of this Agreement will be the 1st April 2011.

6. Disrepute

In the event that the activities or behaviour of either Partner bring or have the potential to bring either into disrepute, either party, reserves the right to terminate this Agreement forthwith without further notice

7. Force Majeure

Neither party shall be liable in respect of any breach of this agreement due to any cause beyond its reasonable control including Act of God, inclement weather, flood, lightning or fire, the act or omission of Government, highway authorities or other competent authority, war or military operations.

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SIGNED on behalf of the Constabulary

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SIGNED on behalf of the Partner

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Date