

Cheshire Police and Crime Panel

Date of meeting: 18 September 2020

Report of: Brian Reed, Head of Governance and Democratic Services

Subject: Amendments to Procedure Rules

1. Report Summary

- 1.1 This report makes a number of recommendations in relation to amendments to the Panel's Procedure Rules.

2. Recommendation

2.1 The Panel is recommended to:

- (i) Amend the Procedure Rules (Part 2 (c)) adding the text in Appendix I in relation to proportionality of membership on sub committees and working groups;
- (ii) Amend the Procedure Rules (creating a new Part 3, Section 13) adding the text in Appendix II in relation to urgency powers; and
- (iii) Amend the Procedure Rules (Part 3, Section 15) replacing the Section on public participation with the text in Appendix III.

3. Background

2.1 At the Panel's Annual Meeting in June 2020 members instructed the Secretariat to draft an amendment to the Procedure Rules ensuring that the political proportionality of the Panel is reflected, as far as is possible, on any sub committees and working groups that are established by the Panel. A suggested amendment can be found in Appendix I. At the same meeting the Panel considered recommendations in relation to the introduction into its Procedure Rules of urgency powers; further work was commissioned, and revised recommendations are set out in Appendix II.

2.2 The Chair and Deputy Chair have asked the Secretariat to review the Procedure Rules in relation to public participation. A revised way of working is set out in Appendix III, this is based on best practice adopted by a number of other Police and Crime Panels across the country.

3. Equality Implications

3.1 There are no equality implications.

4. Financial Considerations

4.1 There are no financial implications to report to the Panel in considering this matter.

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