

Cheshire Police and Crime Panel

Date of Meeting: 23 June 2017

**Report of: Brian Reed, Head of Governance and Democratic Services,
Cheshire East Council**

Subject: Cheshire Police and Crime Panel Budget 2017/18

1. Report Summary

- 1.1 This report outlines a proposed budget for Panel for the 2017/18 Municipal Year.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That the Panel receive and approve the budget for the year.

3. Background information

- 3.1 The Home Office pays a ring-fenced grant to the host authority (Cheshire East Council) to maintain a Police and Crime Panel for the Cheshire Police area, so that the Panel can carry out its functions and responsibilities as set out in the Police and Social Responsibility Act 2011.
- 3.2 The Grant is paid in arrears; with the payment for 2016/17 having been received by the host authority in early May 2017.
- 3.3 The host Authority's Section 151 Officer and a nominated Finance Manager act of behalf of the Panel to maintain and manage the Grant.

4. Financial Implications

- 4.1 A working outline budget has been developed for the 2017/18 Municipal Year. This will provide a mechanism to provide appropriate support to the Panel and enable the Grant to be claimed at the year end.
- 4.2 The outline budget for the year is:

PROJECTED EXPENDITURE

Support provided by staff in Cheshire East Council's Corporate Services Department, including Legal, Democratic Services, Finance, Communications and web team	£51,506
Webcasting of meetings (provided by Cheshire West and Chester Council)	£3,000
Member Allowances and expenses	£11,960
Room hire and training	£2,000
TOTAL	£68,466

4.3 Support to the Panel is provided by a range of Officers from within Cheshire East's Corporate Services Department as outlined in the table above. The principal support officers are:

- Head of Governance and Democratic Services;
- Civic and Administration Manager;
- Senior Democratic Services Officer; and
- Director of Legal Services and Monitoring Officer,

5. Equality implications

5.1 There are no specific equality issues related to this report.

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