

# Cheshire Police and Crime Panel

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**Date of Meeting: 23 June 2017**

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

**Subject: Appointment to vacant position of Independent Member of the Panel**

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## **1.1 Report Summary**

- 1.1 This report updates the Panel on the appointment of an Independent Member to replace Mr Eric Hodgson who resigned from the Panel with effect from 1 April 2017.

## **2. Recommendations**

- 2.1 That the Panel note the progress made with the appointment of a new member to replace Mr Eric Hodgson.

## **3. Background information**

- 3.1 At its meeting on 3 February 2017 the Panel appointed a Recruitment Panel made up of Councillors Andrew Dawson and Amanda King, together with Mr Eric Hodgson, to advise on the most appropriate way to move forward with the recruitment of Mr Hodgson's replacement and the expiry of the terms of office of the two other independent members.
- 3.2 Over the following weeks the Recruitment Panel held a number of discussions and agreed that information about the vacancy and on the work of the Panel should be circulated as widely as possible across Cheshire and expressions of interest invited. With the help of all four Cheshire Councils, a range of information about the vacancy and the role of the Panel was very widely circulated. Seven strong expressions of interest were received.
- 3.3 The Recruitment Panel have reviewed these expressions of interest and invited four people for interview. It had been hoped that interviews would be held before the Annual Meeting of the Panel; but unfortunately it proved impossible to find a convenient date. The Recruitment Panel will meet and Interviews will now be held on Friday 30 June. Members of the Panel will receive an update following those interviews, with a formal report on the recommended way forward being brought to the next meeting of the Panel.

#### **4. Financial Implications**

4.1 There are no financial implications.

#### **5. Equality implications**

5.1 There are no specific equality issues related.

#### **6. Contact information**

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