



OFFICE OF THE POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR NORFOLK

ORIGINATOR: Chief Executive

DECISION NO. 2016/34

REASON FOR SUBMISSION: For Decision

SUBMITTED TO: Police and Crime Commissioner

SUBJECT:

Granting of a licence to Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service for the occupation of accommodation in the Operations and Communications Centre (OCC) at Wymondham

SUMMARY:

At the Strategic Governance Board meeting on 24th November 2016, the PCC made a decision based on the content of the report submitted.

RECOMMENDATION:

The PCC approves the decisions outlined within the report and summarised below.

OUTCOME/APPROVAL BY: PCC

The decision from the Strategic Governance Board are recorded formally below.

Signature

Date

07/12/16

DECISIONS

1. *Agenda Item 7 – Police and Fire Collaboration: Fire and Rescue Service Use of OCC Offices and Control Room*

The PCC approved the granting of the new licence agreement on the basis of the Heads of Terms detailed in the report.

The term will commence from the date of the agreement until 31st March 2026 and no rent or service charges will be payable by Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service (NFRS). NFRS will pay the capital cost of any building alterations and IT infrastructure.

BACKGROUND

2. Norfolk Constabulary and Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service (NFRS) formed a Joint Partnership in 2014 with three agreed strategic aims:
 - to create a safer Norfolk,
 - to achieve greater operational effectiveness by reducing the need for service and protecting frontline resources, and
 - to identify efficiency savings.
3. A full update on collaborative activity was presented to the Strategic Governance Board on 27 October 2016. Both services are sharing accommodation and have achieved efficiencies, although small at this stage, from joint working. For example, the Constabulary is now making use of the NFRS North Lynn vehicle workshop. The rent of £10,500 has been waived and vehicles no longer have to be driven to Wymondham for servicing.
4. The move of Fire Control to co-locate with the Constabulary Control Room is a significant step towards much closer working between the two services, with further potentially significant efficiencies possible in the medium term.

APPROVAL TO SUBMIT TO THE DECISION-MAKER
(this approval is required only for submissions to PCC).

Chief Executive

I am satisfied that relevant advice has been taken into account in the preparation of the report and that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the PCC.

Signature:



Date

25/11/16

Chief Finance Officer (Section 151 Officer)

I certify that the decision can be taken on the basis of my assurance that Financial Regulations have been complied with.

Signature:



Date

25/11/16

