POLICE AND CRIME PANEL

Meeting to be held on 19th October 2016

APPOINTMENT OF ADDITIONAL INDEPENDENT CO-OPTED MEMBERS TO THE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL

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Executive Summary

This report updates on the appointment process for the appointment of independent members of the panel following the end of term of appointment of Mr Paul Richardson, independent member.

Recommendation

The Panel is asked to note the progress for recruitment of a new Independent coopted member of the Panel.

Background and Advice

It is a requirement that the Police and Crime Panel for Lancashire appoint and co-opt to the Panel two independent persons.

As reported at the June meeting the Local Government Association has produced guidance on how Police and Crime Panels should go about appointing independent co-opted members, and following a process in the summer in accordance with these arrangements, a recruitment panel of 3 members of the Lancashire Police & Crime Panel, Councillors Paul Elms, Councillor Peter Gibson and Independent Co-Opted Member Altaf Baghdadi considered applications.

Unfortunately an appointment was not able to be made and arrangements are now being made to re-advertise the opportunity to join the Panel with recruitment expected in the coming weeks.

A further report will be made to the Panel at their next meeting.

Consultations

N/A

Implications:

This item has the following implications as indicated:

Legal Implications

The proposals fulfil the terms of reference of the Panel and are in accordance with the provisions of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011

Financial Implications

The costs of the recruitment and its administration will be met from the Grant available for the provision of administrative support to the Panel.

Risk management

N/A

The provision of an independent Police and Crime Panel for Lancashire is in accordance with the provisions of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 and the Panel should reflect its Terms of Reference and Arrangements, which this proposal addresses.

Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 List of Background Papers

<u>Paper</u>	Date	Contact/Directorate/Tel
LGA Guidance on appointing Independent co-opted members	June 2012	David Fairclough, HR, Legal & Corporate Services (01254) 585642
Reasons for inclusion in Part II, if appropriate		