POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR LEICESTERSHIRE



ETHICS, INTEGRITY AND COMPLAINTS COMMITTEE

Report of	POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER
Subject	WORKING ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE ELECTION OF CHAIR AND DEPUTY CHAIR
Date	FRIDAY 22 JUNE 2018 – 2.00 P.M.
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Purpose of Report

1. The purpose of this report is to seek members' views on the working arrangements of the Committee in respect of the election of Chairman and Deputy Chairman and to approve any amendments to that process.

Recommendation

2. It is recommended that members approve any amendment to the working practices of the Committee in relation to the election of Chair and Deputy Chair of the Committee.

Background

3. The working arrangements for the Committee include the following in relation to the election of Chair and Deputy Chair:

The Committee will have a Chair and a Deputy Chair who will be elected to the roles at the inaugural meeting. The member elected to serve as Chair will only do so for one term of 4 years. The Deputy Chair will act as Chair at meetings in the absence of the Chair. If the Chair can no longer continue in this role, the Deputy Chair will act as the Chair until the formal appointment of a new Chair.

- 4. At the inaugural meeting of the Committee on 25 September 2015 Prof Cillian Ryan was elected as the Chair and Steven Cammiss as Deputy Chair. However at that time, and in knowledge of the fact that new members would be joining the Committee, it was agreed that the term of office for both would only be for 12 months to allow for new members to be involved in this decision.
- 5. Subsequently, on 23 September 2016 Prof Cillian Ryan was duly elected Chair and Ms Linda James was elected as Deputy Chair. Both elections were for the remainder of the four year period of appointment. This effectively placed both individuals in their elected positions until the September 2019.

6. Some confusion has been caused by the fact that, for some unexplained reason, the election of Chair and Deputy was included on the agenda for the Committee meeting held on 22 September 2017. Due to a number of apologies for this meeting this item was deferred to the next meeting of the Committee in December 2017. At the December meeting it was agreed that the election of chair and deputy chair would be placed on the March 2018 meeting of the Committee. Due to adverse weather conditions on the day the March meeting did not take place however the agenda does include this item for this meeting.

Current Situation

- 7. As it currently stands both Prof Ryan and Ms James continue in their elected roles as agreed at the meeting in September 2016. Under the current working arrangements both individuals will hold the office of Chair and Deputy Chair respectively until the September 2019.
- 8. It is understood that members wish to rotate the position of Chair and Deputy within the Committee on a more frequent basis than is currently the case. As such the working arrangements for the committee will require amendment and the forward plan for agendas also amended to reflect members' wishes.

Conclusion

9. It is a matter for members to decide how they wish the Committee to operate. Direction is required on how frequently members wish to rotate the election of Chair and Deputy Chair moving forwards. The working arrangements for the Committee will be amended to reflect the decision of members.

Implications

Financial :	None.
Legal :	None.
Equality Impact Assessment :	None.
Risks and Impact :	None.
Link to Police and Crime Plan :	Links to the Nolan Principles and Code of Ethics contained within the Plan.
Communications :	Communications Plan in place for the work of the Committee.

List of Appendices

None.

Background Papers

Agendas and minutes of previous meetings of the Ethics, Integrity and Complaints Committee.

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