

SUSSEX POLICE AUTHORITY – 3 JUNE 2010

REPORT OF THE CHIEF OFFICER APPOINTMENTS AND REMUNERATION COMMITTEE

REPORT BY CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE

Introduction

1. This report informs the Police Authority of the following matters which were discussed by the Chief Officer Appointments and Remuneration Committee at its meeting on 15 April 2010. The meeting was attended by Dr L Bush (Chairman), Mr L Barnard, Mr P Jones, Mr S Waight and Dr R Walker.

Appointment of Solicitor

- 2.1 As previously reported to Authority Mr Andrew Ogden retired as Director of Law and Personnel of East Sussex County Council and Solicitor to the Police Authority on 31 March 2010. The arrangement whereby the Director of Law of East Sussex County Council was appointed as Solicitor to the Police Authority has been of great benefit to the Authority. The Legal Team also currently handle the legal work for Sussex Police. Where necessary there are clear protocols for division of working within the Legal Department.
- 2.2 The Committee agreed that the present arrangement should continue and appointed Mr Ogden's successor, who is Assistant Director (Legal and Democratic Services), Mr Philip Baker, as Solicitor to the Police Authority with effect from 1 April 2010. Mr Baker will continue to be supported, as was Mr Ogden, by the wealth of experience and expertise on police matters contained within the Legal Department at East Sussex and Mr Baker's appointment will secure the benefits of continuity and familiarity with current policing issues.

Retirement of Chief Executive

3. The Chief Executive of the Authority, Dr John Godfrey, has given notice of his intention to retire in April 2011, to coincide with his 65th birthday. The Committee has approved arrangements to appoint his successor.

Recommended that the action taken by the Committee under delegated authority be noted.

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