# OFFICE OF THE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR HUMBERSIDE DECISION RECORD

Decision Record Number: 4/2015

Title: Collaboration with South Yorkshire

## **Executive Summary:**

Humberside Police are required to ensure a financially viable and operationally effective police service to the population of the Humberside force area. The government settlement for financial year 2015/16 was received in December 2014. No further settlement information for beyond financial year 2015/16 is available, however, it is predicted that Humberside Police will be required to identify further financial savings up to financial year 2019/20. The Police and Crime Commissioner instructed the Chief Constable to re-design the force in order to ensure a force that is modern and effective whilst concurrently able to balance the budget and identify future savings. The "Building the Future" force model has identified substantial financial savings, however, further savings are required.

There are existing shared service arrangements in place with South Yorkshire Police, specifically for Human Resources and Information Services. However, further collaboration with South Yorkshire could potentially provide opportunities to maintain services at a reduced cost.

#### **Commissioner Comments:**

My priority is to ensure that the outcomes of my Police and Crime Plan; namely reduce crime, improve support to victims and protect the public are delivered whilst balancing the budget and ensuring value for money. I am prepared to examine all potential opportunities that allow these outcomes to be delivered whilst balancing the budget.

### Decision:

The Police and Crime Commissioner has authorised the further examination of collaborative options with South Yorkshire up to and including a "Strategic Alliance". The only elements that are not to be considered for collaboration are the roles of Police and Crime Commissioner, Chief Constable, Deputy Chief Constable and the provision of local neighbourhood policing, which are all to remain separately delivered within Humberside.

Background Report: N/A

#### Police and Crime Commissioner for Humberside

I confirm I have considered whether or not I have any personal or prejudicial interest in this matter and take the proposed decision in compliance with my code of conduct.

Any such interests are recorded below.

The above decision has my approval.

Signature Mullen Grove

Date 28.01.15