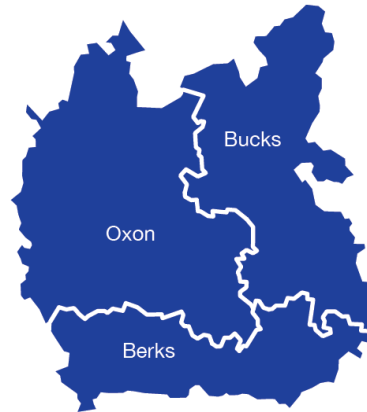


Report to the Thames Valley Police & Crime Panel

Title: Review of Panel Rules of Procedure, Panel Membership and appointment to Sub-Committee's and Task Groups

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Background

1. The Panel operates in accordance with specifications outlined in Rules of Procedure and Panel Arrangements documents (appendices). The Rules of Procedure and Panel Arrangements were originally agreed by the Panel at its 19 July 2012 meeting and were updated and agreed on 22 November 2019, to take account of Oxfordshire County Council becoming the Host Authority of the Panel and because of changes arising from local government reorganisation in Buckinghamshire which took effect from 1 April 2020.

Annual Review of the Panel Rules of Procedure

2. The Panel Rules of Procedure stipulate that:

[1.3] *The Rules shall be reviewed annually at the Panel's Annual meeting ...*

[1.4] *The Rules shall not be amended unless written notification of the amendment/s required are received by the Panel Secretariat not less than fifteen working days prior to the Panel meeting ...*

No amendments have been received by the Panel Secretariat.

Areas that have been previously discussed and may want to be revisited are: -

3. **Location of meetings**

The Panel when it was first set up held meetings around the Thames Valley, based on a rota. This Panel has previously agreed, that to ensure the maximum attendance of the membership of the Panel, meetings of the Panel be held in Aylesbury, which is the best suited location in terms of accessibility for the Members of the Thames Valley Region. This decision was reaffirmed at the meeting in November 2019.

Due to the Covid 19 Pandemic and the restrictions placed on gatherings, meetings of the Panel have been held remotely and will continue to do so until Government advice changes.

4. Changes in Membership of the Panel

As reported at the last meeting of the Panel held on 19 June 2020, Buckinghamshire Council made Co-Opted Member appointments to the Panel, subject to interview. It can be reported that the following Co-Opted Members were interviewed by the Chairman of the Police and Crime Panel, Councillor Bendyshe-Brown and Councillor Patman and their appointments were confirmed:

Councillor Julia Adey (co-opted)
Councillor Emily Culverhouse (co-opted)
Councillor Ray Sangster (co-opted)
Councillor Mark Winn (co-opted)

5. Appointments to Complaints Sub-Committee and Budget Task and Finish Group

Consideration is needed to the appointments to the Panel's Sub-Committee and Task and Finish Group

Membership 2019-20

Complaints Sub-Committee (7) – Cllr Kieron Mallon, Cllr Bill Bendyshe-Brown, Cllr Andrew McHugh and Phillip Morrice (3 vacancies)

Budget Task and Finish Group (5) – Cllr Robin Bradburn, Cllr Trevor Egleton*, Cllr Andrew McHugh and Cllr Barrie Patman. (2 vacancies)

*** Denotes no longer a Member of the Police and Crime Panel**

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Panel: -

- i) Notes the Panel's Rules of Procedure and Panel Arrangements.**
- ii) Ratifies the appointment of the 4 Buckinghamshire Council Co-Opted Members.**
- iii) Consider the memberships of the Panel's Complaints Sub Committee and Budget Task and Finish Group and confirm the appointment of the Members detailed above and appoint Members to vacancies as required.**
- iv) That the established Sub-Committee and Task Group be agreed with no changes to their terms of reference for the following year (subject to any legislative changes).**