

Appointment to an Outside Body - Lancashire Police and Crime Panel

27 September 2023

Report of the Senior Manager, Democratic Support and Elections

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To appoint a Green Group member to the Lancashire Police and Crime Panel as an additional co-opted member.

This report is public

RECOMMENDATION

- (1) **That a Green Group member be appointed as an additional co-opted member of the Lancashire Police and Crime Panel (PCC), for the reasons set out in this report.**

1.0 Introduction

1.1 At the meeting on 21st June 2023, Council considered appointments to its outside bodies, partnerships and boards.

1.2 The report for that item stated:

6.1 The Police and Crime Panel is administered by Blackburn-with-Darwen Council.

6.2 The City Council is asked to make one appointment to the Panel and there may be a second appointment to reflect the political balance across Lancashire. If that is the case, Democratic Services will be informed by Blackburn-with-Darwen.

1.3 At the meeting in June, Councillor Armistead was appointed to the Lancashire PCC.

2.0 Additional appointment

2.1 On 10th July, Lancaster City Council was invited by Blackburn-with-Darwen to appoint one additional co-opted member to the PCC from the Green group, to assist towards achieving effect countywide political balance. Other additional co-opted members were requested from Wyre Borough Council (Conservative) and Fylde Borough Council (Independent) for the same reason.

2.2 This report has been brought to Council to enable such an appointment to be made.

3.0 Conclusion

3.1 Council is asked to appoint a Green Group Councillor to Lancashire PCC in accordance with the invitation from Blackburn-with-Darwen.

CONCLUSION OF IMPACT ASSESSMENT

(including Health & Safety, Equality & Diversity, Human Rights, Community Safety, Sustainability and Rural Proofing)

Community Safety - the Lancashire PCC is required to reflect political balance across the County.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

None directly arising from this report.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Members who are appointed to outside bodies are entitled to standard class rail fares to attend any meetings out of the district, as per the Councillors' Allowances Scheme. Costs will be met from within existing budgets.

OTHER RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

None identified.

SECTION 151 OFFICER'S COMMENTS

The Section 151 Officer has been consulted and has no comments.

MONITORING OFFICER'S COMMENTS

The Monitoring Officer has been consulted and has no comments.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

Email correspondence between Blackburn-with-Darwen Democratic Services and Lancaster City Council Democratic Support.

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