

Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner

REQUEST FOR POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER DECISION - (N° 006/2020)

TITLE: New Complaint and Misconduct Regulations

Executive Summary:

With the introduction of the Policing and Crime Act 2017, from 1 February 2020 the Police and Crime Commissioner will have a greater responsibility in relation to public complaints regarding the Police. Under the new legislation Police and Crime Commissioners have three options available to them regarding public complaints. The Commissioner has previously indicated to undertake Option 1 which is the mandation to deal with complaint reviews formally known as appeals. The OPCC is in the process of formulating a process to enable the office to deal with such reviews.

Recommendation:

The Commissioner is asked to:

- Undertake Model 1 and carry out reviews of public complaint cases as identified within the legislative changes.
- Approve the appointment of an independent reviewer to carry out reviews for public complaints.
- Consider and approve the revision to the Scheme of Delegation appointing the Governance Manager as the Appropriate Authority to deal with reviews.

Police & Crime Commissioner / Chief Executive

I confirm that I have considered whether or not I have any personal or prejudicial in this matter and take the proposed decision in compliance with the Code of Conduct for Cumbria Police & Crime Commissioner. Any such interests are recorded below.

I hereby approve/do not approve the recommendation(s) above

Police & Crime Commissioner / Chief Executive (delete as appropriate)

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Signature: Date: 01/02/2020

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Is the publication of this form to be deferred? YES / NO

If yes, for what reason: The form contains information relating to the financial terms upon which the independent reviewer is appointed. Following appointment the decision can be published as members of the public will be advised as part of the process that an independent person will be carrying out their review.

Until what date (if known): 10 February 2020

Is there a Part 2 form - YES / NO

(If Yes, please ensure Part 2 form is completed prior to submission)

ORIGINATING OFFICER DECLARATION:

I confirm that this report has been considered by the Chief Officer Group/ OPCC Executive Team and that relevant financial, legal and equalities advice has been taken into account in the preparation of this report.

OFFICER APPROVAL

Chief Executive / Deputy Chief Executive (delete as appropriate)

I have been consulted about the proposal and confirm that financial, legal and equalities advice has been taken into account in the preparation of this report. I am satisfied that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the Police and Crime Commissioner / Chief Executive (delete as appropriate).

Signature: Gill Sheaver Date: 27.1.2020

Media Strategy

The decision taken by the Police & Crime Commissioner may require a press announcement or media strategy.

Will a press release be required following the decision being considered? YES / NO

If yes, has a media strategy been formulated? YES-/ NO

Is the media strategy attached? YES / NO

What is the proposed date of the press release: