| Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent Decision | | |
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| PCCG-2013- 015 | Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent Decision Session | |
| Subject | Estate Strategy | |
| Summary | To provide a statement on the commissioners decision to adopt the estate strategy. | |

DECISION

1. I have received a number of briefings from the chief officers on the Estates Strategy since I took office on 22nd November 2012.

On 29th May 2009 Police Authority approval was given to progress the development of the Estate Strategy including the Head Office Concept. Since that date work has been progressed in relation to the rationalisation of the estate in line with the following principles:

- to provide a citizen focused policing service;
- · services which meet the needs and expectations of the public;
- a visible and accessible policing service which presents a positive corporate image;
- interaction with the public at the heart of their communities;
- increased collaboration with partner organisations;
- improved efficiency and effectiveness through new ways of working.

The vision was to deliver an Estates Strategy which focused on a Head Office not a Headquarters, a hub and spoke model for operational policing, the emphasis of service delivery being on Neighbourhood Policing with improved access and reduced cost. An action plan for delivery was approved and has been the subject on detailed discussion, consultation and review over the last four years.

For each police station re provision a community option has been evaluated with the involvement of local councillors and people living in the community through PACT and other community engagement.

2. To date six tranches of re provision involving twenty six buildings have been completed saving £223,000 per annum running costs and relocation of various joint specialist units within Gwent and with partner police

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- I support the principles of the estate strategy as highlighted above. I have agreed to confirm the head office concept based on the advice provided by the Assistant Chief Officer Resources in terms of fit with the estate strategy, ensuring that estate can be flexible to meet the changing requirements for policing in Gwent. Having assessed value for money we will now progress the relocation of head office services including my own office to Vantage Point, Cwmbran with the Chief Constable.
- I have agreed with the Chief Constable to review the timeline of neighbourhood reprovision whilst the decommissioning of headquarters progresses throughout 2013. When considering re-provision of neighbourhood services I will ensure I am satisfied that the decisions I make are the most suitable for the individual communities concerned.

| Ian Johnston QPM, Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent My decision is as I have recorded in this paper | | | | |
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| | Estates Strategy Presentation, 28 th January 2013 | | |
| | Estates Programme Schematic | | |
| | Diagram of Headquarters Exit Timelines | | |