



To: Business Coordination Board

From: Chief Constable

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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR ORGANISATIONAL AND SUPPORT SERVICES

1. Purpose

1.1 The proposed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for collaboration by the Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire and Hertfordshire (BCH) Strategic Policing Alliance partners in respect of Organisational and Operational Support is presented to the Business Coordination Board for approval.

2. Recommendation

2.1 The three Chief Constables recommend that the Business Coordination Board approve the proposed Memorandum of Understanding.

3. Background

3.1 The Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act places duties on Commissioners and Chief officers to keep collaboration opportunities under review and to collaborate where it is in the interests of the efficiency and effectiveness of their own or other police force areas.

3.2 The BCH partners have signalled their wish to continue with the BCH Alliance and existing collaborated functions and to consider additional collaboration in respect of Organisational Support and Operational Support functions.

3.3 The MoU gives a clear indication of strategic intent on the part of the alliance members.

4. Governance

4.1 The attached MoU provides a high level governance framework, which through:

- The host force arrangements ensures a clear and stable operational direction and control.
- The Chief Constables' Management Board – with annual rotating chairperson- ensure equitable leadership of professional policy and performance by the three chief Constables.
- The BCH Alliance Summit ensures clear oversight by all three Commissioners.

4.2 The MoU defines the “heads of terms”; how the six Corporations sole will work together. To move forward functional Section 22 agreements are required which set out details of delegation and delegation limits for each collaborated function.

5. Recommendation

5.1 To endorse the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding

BIBLIOGRAPHY

Source Document (s)	Contact Officer	Location
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