



**To:** Business Coordination Board

**From:** Chief Executive

**Date:** 25 March 2014

### **PSD Governance Arrangements**

#### **1. Purpose**

1.1 To update the Board in respect of governance arrangements for the collaborated Professional Standards Department (PSD)

#### **2. Recommendation**

2.1 The Board is invited to note the contents of the report and to endorse the signing of the Section 22A agreement at the 1 April BCH meeting.

#### **3. Background**

3.1 PSD is a collaborated function with Cambridgeshire Constabulary as lead force on behalf of the three Alliance forces.

#### **4. Update**

4.1 A Section 22A agreement has been drafted and will be presented to the BCH Alliance on 1 April for consideration and subsequent BCB for decision.

4.2 The Deputy PCC and DCC Wood have discussed development of new Terms of Reference for the PSD Complaints group. This will reflect the dual needs for oversight of the complaints process and oversight of the effective and efficient running of the PSD on behalf of the Alliance Forces. The draft ToR will be considered at the next PSD Complaints meeting on 28 May 2014.

4.3 DCC Wood has commissioned a piece of work to provide assurance to all three Forces that the complaints and misconduct system is effective and that integrity of information provided to the respective Forces and PCC's is fit for purpose and can

be relied on to inform improvements and provide confidence to the public that the arrangements are working. This will enable clearer and better lines of reporting for such matters as the Learning the Lessons Bulletin, its follow up and audit.

- 4.4 An action plan is being developed to ensure that all the required governance arrangements are in place and reporting to Alliance partners is undertaken consistent with the agreed S22. This will be reviewed at the next PSD Complaints group meeting in May 2014.

## 5.0 Recommendation

- 5.1 The Board is invited to note the contents of the report and to endorse the signing of the Section 22A agreement at the 1 April BCH meeting.

Source Document (s)	Contact Officer	Location
S22A agreement PSD	Chief Executive Dr Dorothy Gregson	Cambridgeshire Police & Crime Commissioner, South Cambridgeshire Hall, Cambourne Business Park, Cambourne, Cambridge, CB23 6EA