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Cambridgeshire

To: Business Coordination Board

From: Chief Constable

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Summary of the draft proposal for the Southern Policing Hub

1. Purpose

1.1 The purpose of the paper is to inform the board that the draft proposals for the Southern Policing Hub has been considered and approved at the constabulary's Force Executive Board and Estates Sub Group.

2. Recommendation

2.1 The Board is recommended to note the content of the paper.

3. Background

3.1 The Project will provide new facilities for a Cambridgeshire Southern Policing hub for the South of the County replacing the existing accommodation at Parkside, including custody. It will provide modern functional accommodation specifically designed to meet the current and changing requirements of community focused policing and the Home Office Custody Design Guide.

3.2 The nature of Policing has significantly changed since the existing accommodation at Parkside was first occupied. The new provision will accommodate the implementation of the policing model recommended by the Local Policing Review for the south of the county, and future proof policing in Cambridge City and the surrounding areas to 2050.

3.3 Providing safe and appropriate custody facilities which will comply with the dignity and respect agenda and international human rights law.

3.4 In order to meet current custody demand and provide flexibility for evolving custody requirements these would best be served by pursuing a new facility outside the city centre, and retaining a City Centre presence with partner services.

- The building will be designed to allow for future expansion, which will not be possible on the existing site.
- A new building will comply with the current Home Office Custody design guidance document.
- An almost seamless service can be provided without the disruption that will occur as a result of temporary decanting.
- It meets user requirements and best supports operational policing.
- Partners have been contacted to explore joint occupation.

4. Way forward

4.1 Discussion with landowners will continue with a view to agreeing an option to purchase and to resolve any planning and design issues.

5. Recommendation

5.1 The Board is recommended to note the content of the paper.

BIBLIOGRAPHY

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