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REPORT TO : STRATEGIC SCRUTINY MEETING – 7TH JANUARY 2016

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TITLE: ESTATES STRATEGY & UPDATE

1. Summary

1.1 This report advises the Commissioner on the progress against the objectives set out in the five year Estates Strategy 2014 to 2019.

2. Decision Required

2.1 The Commissioner is requested to note the report.

3. Information

3.1 A five year Estates Strategy was agreed in 2014. This report builds on the update report provided to the Joint Management Board in July 2015.

3.2 The update is set out below as against identified objectives:-

Objective 1 – To support the objectives of the Police and Crime Commissioner’s Police and Crime Plan.

A formal collaboration with LCC has been agreed and signed off. This enables the PCC to both access some specialist services, such as Estates Surveying and Health & Safety Compliance, and also utilise the knowledge base of the wider department.

We continue to seek opportunities to share premises with partner agencies. In that regard we have developed a mailing list for all partner agencies to notify each other when surplus properties have been identified or when there are opportunities to share under utilised premises.

Objective 2 – To support policing through engagement with key stakeholders.

The Estates Team has provided support and continues to work with the Futures Teams in order to ensure the accommodation meets the needs of the current phase of the Change Programme. A dedicated Estates Single Point of Contact (SPOC) has been identified to provide the necessary input by the Estates team in dealing with the consequential matters particularly in implementing the 'One Team' and Serious and Complex Futures Programme workstreams.

Objective 3 – Utilisation: Occupancy Efficiency Assessments (OEA)

Futures Programme - Following on from the current Futures Programme implementation plans, and once the financial savings are confirmed, a further review of the estate is planned in order to both align the estate with the long term operational requirements and to identify further opportunities to reduce estate running costs.

Objective 6 – Estates Review

Following an initial scoping exercise, further feasibility work is ongoing with a view to rationalising the Headquarters site.

A report on the opportunities for the Main site are expected by the end of 2015.

Objective 9 – Investment in Building stock

Replacement Accrington Police Station – Progress is being made in this regard and work is expected to commence in mid-February and the units are expected to be ready for occupation by the end of April 2016.

West New Build replacement Blackpool Divisional Headquarters – The planning pre-application meeting has taken place with Blackpool Council, the next stage is for submission of full planning consent, with the formal public consultation requirement expected to take place early in the new year.

4 Implications

4.1 There are no implications

5 Links to Police & Crime Plan

5.1 The implementation of the Estates Strategy has direct and indirect links to all the priorities in the Police and Crime Plan and is particularly relevant for Defending Frontline Policing.

6 Reasons why Restricted

6.1 N/A

7 Background Documents

7.1 Report to the Joint Management Board in July 2015.

8 Contact for Further Information

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