

Police and Crime Panel
6th October 2017
Report of the Police and Crime Commissioner

**THE STRATEGIC ALLIANCE BETWEEN DEVON AND CORNWALL
POLICE AND DORSET POLICE**

1. At its July 2017 meeting the Police and Crime Panel confirmed its desire to include a substantive item on the agenda for the October 2017 Panel meeting on the Strategic Alliance.
2. Assistant Chief Constable Sharon Taylor – who has led the Strategic Alliance work across both police force areas since its inception in 2014 will be attending the 6th October 2017 meeting to present to the Panel and answer their questions. A copy of the slides that ACC Taylor will use are attached to this covering report.
3. Following the agreement of this agenda item there have been some significant developments in relation to the future of the Strategic Alliance, most notably the announcement in September 2017 that the two Chief Constables and two Commissioners are looking at how they can deepen the Alliance between our two police forces, including exploring the potential for a full merger between the two police forces and OPCCs. This work is at an early exploratory stage and there is considerable investigation and analysis work to do.
4. To allow for discussion of both of these areas the presentation has been divided into two parts. First, ACC Taylor will present on the current Strategic Alliance. Following Q&A on that area the Commissioner and the Chief Constable will speak briefly on the announcement made in September 2017.

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