



Report of:	Meeting	Date
Councillor Michael Vincent, Leader of the Council and Clare James, Corporate Director Resources	Council	14 September 2023

Appointment to the Lancashire Police and Crime Panel

1. Purpose of report

- 1.1** To enable a second member to be appointed to the Lancashire Police and Crime Panel for 2023/24.

2. Corporate priorities

- 2.1** Effective representation on the Lancashire Police and Crime Panel.
- 2.2** To work with partners to reduce violence and anti-social behaviour.

3. Recommendation

- 3.1** That Councillor Le Marinel be appointed as Wyre's second representative on the Lancashire Police and Crime Panel.

4. Background

- 4.1** The Police and Crime Panel for Lancashire is a formal Joint Committee of the 15 local authorities for the Lancashire Police Force area, established under the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011. Its composition, terms of reference and procedure rules are set out in Part 3.04 of the Council's Constitution.
- 4.2** Each council in Lancashire is entitled to appoint one member to the Panel. Since 2015, the Neighbourhood Services and Community Safety Portfolio Holder has been appointed as Wyre's representative.

5. Key issues and proposals

- 5.1** The Secretary to the Panel, currently an officer at Blackburn with Darwen Council, makes arrangements, in consultation with the Leaders and Chief

Executives of all the member authorities, to ensure that the political balance requirements are met.

5.2 In order to help achieve the required political balance the Secretary to the Panel has identified that three top-up places will help achieve political balance. The Secretary has further indicated that a Conservative co-opted additional member from Wyre would assist towards achieving a more balanced Panel.

5.3 Councillor Peter Le Marinel has previously served on the Panel as a co-opted additional member, having previously served the Panel and he therefore possesses the necessary skills and experience to be a suitable appointment.

6. Alternative options considered and rejected

6.1 No alternative options were considered.

Financial, Legal and Climate Change implications	
Finance	Whilst the Lancashire Police and Crime Panel is separate from Wyre Council, any associated costs of the Panel are borne by the constituent councils; Blackburn with Darwen Council, as lead authority, will receive funding from the Home Office to cover administrative costs, which the council will then be entitled to recover as appropriate. Should any Wyre Council member be appointed as Chair or Vice Chair of the Panel or as a Lead or Member of a Task and Finish Group, they will become entitled to a single annual payment (details can be found in the PCP terms of reference). Other members of the panel can claim expenses for attendance (such as mileage). Any costs incurred will be fully recovered from Blackburn with Darwen Council.
Legal	The proposals in this report are in accordance with legal requirements, as referred to in section 4.1 of this report.
Climate Change	None arising from this report.

Other risks/implications: checklist

If there are significant implications arising from this report on any issues marked with a ✓ below, the report author will have consulted with the appropriate specialist officers on those implications and addressed them in the body of the report. There are no significant implications arising directly from this report, for those issues marked with a x.

risks/implications	✓ / x
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community safety	x
equality and diversity	x
health and safety	x

asset management	x
ICT	x
data protection	x

Processing Personal Data

In addition to considering data protection along with the other risks/ implications, the report author will need to decide if a 'privacy impact assessment (PIA)' is also required. If the decision(s) recommended in this report will result in the collection and processing of personal data for the first time (i.e. purchase of a new system, a new working arrangement with a third party) a PIA will need to have been completed and signed off by Data Protection Officer before the decision is taken in compliance with the Data Protection Act 2018.

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List of background papers:		
name of document	date	where available for inspection
None.		

List of appendices

None.