



**Philip Secombe
Police and Crime
Commissioner
for Warwickshire**

Decision Application WPCC20077

ONGOING SUPPORT FROM PPL – LEEK WOOTTON

Application Date:	June 2019	Name of Applicant:	Neil Hewison
Application Decision Reference: WPCC20077			
1. Summary of the application			
Place Partnership Limited to provide:			
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Six months additional appropriately qualified, experienced and dedicated resources to support the re-establishment the force headquarters at Leek Wootton.2. Long term additional resources to provide site maintenance, caretaking and landscaping services at the headquarters site.3. For six months, trial client support with a phased handover from the existing 'intelligent client function'.			
These resources will be in place by August 2019. All of these responsibilities are additional to the existing arrangements with Place Partnership Ltd.			
2. Background information:			
<p>Since the decision taken by West Mercia Police to terminate the Strategic Alliance on 8th October 2018, with effect from 8th October 2019, Warwickshire Police has carried out an extensive piece of due diligence work which has ultimately led to the creation of a Strategic Outline Business Case, the core of which was to re-establish Warwickshire Police as an independent force once the alliance terminates on 8th October 2019 (this is the subject of a separate decision notice).</p> <p>As a consequence of this detailed work Warwickshire Police will have to accommodate an additional 150 – 200 members of staff after the termination date and the only practical and feasible way of meeting this requirement within the timeframe is to re-establish the former police headquarters at Leek Wootton.</p> <p>The professional property expertise required to deliver the re-population of Leek Wootton together with its ongoing maintenance is set out in the proposal from Place Partnership Ltd (PPL) in the confidential Part 2 of this application together</p>			

with a mobilisation plan. These proposals have both been agreed by the Police and Crime Commissioner.

3. Whether additional information/report is attached to support this decision application

YES

List of additional information/report

- a) Part 2, Place Partnership Ltd Service proposal
- b) Part 2, Place Partnership Ltd mobilisation plan.
- c)

4. Expected benefits (non financial)

In the short term (six months) the additional specialist resources to be provided by PPL will support Warwickshire Police in re-establishing and repopulating the Warwickshire Police Headquarters at Leek Wootton. It will also provide the longer term investment in site services that will be required to keep the buildings and grounds well maintained and managed.

In addition, on a six month trial basis a senior estate manager will be provided without charge to provide client support to the OPCC and during a phased handover will replace the existing 'intelligent client function' which is currently funded in house by the OPCC. After the trial period the ongoing costs of this arrangement will need to be agreed.

5. Impact of not approving the application

Without these additional resources in the short term the re-establishment and repopulation of Leek Wootton wouldn't be achieved, this being an operational imperative in order to maintain service provision by Warwickshire Police.

Once re-established the grounds and buildings will require maintenance. Ongoing client support will provide professional property advice to the OPCC going forward which will replace the current in house 'intelligent client function'.

6. Costs

Revenue:

Short term re-establishment costs (6 months) up to £229,000

Annual site maintenance up to £85,000

Client Support six month trial Nil cost. Costs are to be renegotiated after the six month trial

Capital: Nil

7. Savings: Nil

8. Equality and Diversity Implications:

None identified.

9. Treasurer's comments

These additional costs have arisen as a direct result of the need to re-establish Leek Wootton as the Police Headquarters following the serving of the termination notice by West Mercia to enable the repatriation of services to Warwickshire as set out within this notice. The costs are outside of the existing budget for 2019/20 and will be financed from reserves.

Any ongoing costs in future years will be subject to further negotiation and will have to be built into the base budget and funded accordingly

10. Legal/Monitoring Officer comments

This decision is driven by the operational imperative to re-establish and re-populate the Police Headquarters at Leek Wootton as set out in this notice.

The surging of resources particularly in the short term is critical to the success of the overall project. PPL currently manage and maintain the police estate and this extension of their responsibilities is a logical step to achieve the short, medium and longer term requirements of the Leek Wootton site.

The cost of client services will be renegotiated after the six month trial period

Decision of the Police and Crime Commissioner

Agreed.

PCC Signature:



Date of Decision:

4th December 2019