



Report to: British Transport Police Authority
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1. Purpose of Paper

1.1 The purpose of this report is to summarise the work of the British Transport Police Authority Executive since the last British Transport Police Authority (“Authority”) meeting.

2. Ex-Gratia Payments Summary

2.1 No ex-gratia payment requests have been received since the last meeting.

3. Out of Committee Decisions

3.1 The Authority approved a proposal to join the Police ICT (Information and Communication Technology) Company, following an invitation from the Association of Police and Crime Commissioners (APCC) received on 4 February 2015. The Company will be led by all PCCs and policing governance bodies in England and Wales, with the objective of unlocking collaboration among Forces in the area of ICT, whilst improving interoperability and driving efficiencies.

3.2 On the assumption that all 48 forces entitled to join accept the invitation, the subscription cost will be £25,000 per member (an equal division of the Company's £1.2m budget). However, it is worth noting that the Police ICT Board have submitted a bid to the Home Office's Innovation Fund to cover the costs of the core team for the Company, therefore the annual subscription will only be required if the Innovation Fund bid is

unsuccessful. The Authority Chief Executive is to advise Members of the actual cost of membership as soon as it is confirmed.

4. Governance

- 4.1 A report is being presented to the Authority by the BTPA Executive Team

5. BTPA Members Recruitment

- 5.1 Interviews took place on the 10 and 11 February 2015. The DfT have put a submission to the Cabinet Office and the Ministers. Approval is awaited.

6. Members/Executive News

- 6.1 Millie had an interview with Rail Professional Magazine's editor on the 3 March to share the vision for this year's police targets, what they will address and the work the Authority will be focusing on this year. This will be published in April.
- 6.2 The final forward facing policing plan document will be released after the elections with supporting communications activity which has been delayed due to Purdah. Rail industry stakeholders will however receive a copy of the targets in a word document as scheduled on the 1 April.

7. Contracts

- 7.1 The Chief Executive sealed the following contracts:
- Deed of Amendment - Amendments to Rule 20 of Schedule 1 and Appendix 3 to Schedule 1 of the Rules of the British Transport Police Force Superannuation Fund x 2 - 12.2.15
 - Lease of Premises at Station Road, Swindon, SN1 - 19.2.15
 - Licence to carry out works at Station Road, Swindon - 19.2.15

7.2 The Chief Executive signed the following contracts:

- License to carry out works relating to first and second floor, 3 Callaghan Square, Cardiff CF10 5BT - 20.1.15
- Engagement with PWC - Review of Reserve Accounting Arrangements - £15K - 29.1.15
- Fasttrack Letting Agreement for Premises at Swindon Railway Station - First Great Western Ltd x 2 - 24.2.15
- BTP Accommodation: Deed of Surrender and New Lease at Chester Station - forced relocation - 17.3.15:
 - 1) Lease of Rooms 6-8, 1st Floor, Chester East Wing Office, Chester, CH2 3AD
 - 2) Deed of Surrender relating to Annex East Wing, Chester Railway Station, CH1 3NS
 - 3) SDLT Form
- Core PSA Abellio Scotrail - 8.3.15

8. Recommendations

8.1 Members are asked to note this report.