



**Cheshire  
Constabulary**



**Dan Price**  
**Cheshire  
Police & Crime  
Commissioner**

## **JOINT MANAGEMENT BOARD**

Notes of the Joint Management Board held on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2026 which took place online via Teams.

**Present:** G Southern, Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner  
M Evans, Deputy Chief Constable

**Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner**

D Taylor, Chief Executive  
C Hodgson, Chief Finance Officer  
A Murphy, Governance Officer

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B Dutton, Assistant Chief Constable  
B Malloy, Chief Finance Officer  
N Bailey, Chief People Officer  
D Bryan, Chief Legal Officer  
P Woods, Head of Planning and Performance

No members of the public observed Part 1 of the meeting.

### ***Part 1 - Public items***

#### **1. Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 5 August 2026**

The minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 5 August 2026 were received and approved with one slight amend to the N8 Policing Research Partnership Collaboration Agreement note.

#### **2. Management Decisions**

##### ***a) Police and Crime Plan***

The report considered the Commissioner's draft refresh of his Police & Crime Plan 2024-28, and the management decision was made outside of this Board. The Deputy Police & Crime Commissioner and the Deputy Chief Constable approved the following recommendation:

(1) That the management decision be noted.

*Decision no. 2026/03 – S Draft Police & Crime Plan 2024-28 (2026 refresh)*

##### ***b) Northern Stations Capital – Arpley Street***

The Constabulary sought approval for a capital budget to carry out refurbishment work at Arpley Street Police Station, and the management decision was made outside of this Board. The Deputy Police & Crime Commissioner and the Deputy Chief Constable approved the following recommendation:

(1) That the management decision be noted.

*Decision no. 2026/04 – Northern Stations Capital – Arpley Street*

### **3. People Strategy Update**

The Chief People Officer presented an update on the progress of the People Strategy 2025-28. She explained that there are plans being delivered across all areas and updated on progress in attracting/retaining staff, leadership/talent development, performance/productivity, culture/wellbeing, inclusion/engagement, and achievements.

The Deputy Police & Crime Commissioner and the Deputy Chief Constable approved the following recommendation:

- (1) That the Board note the contents of the update paper.

The rationale for this was that the review of the People Strategy is part of the Commissioner's scrutiny of the Constabulary and enables checks on progress against strategy objectives.

### **4. Joint Management Board Forward Plan**

An updated version of the Joint Management Board Forward Plan was noted.

## ***Part 2 – Private items***

*The following matters were considered in private as they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the Freedom of Information Act 2000, in accordance with the section indicated below:*

| <b>Item</b>             | <b>Section</b>       |
|-------------------------|----------------------|
| Strategic Risk register | (31) Law Enforcement |

### **5. Strategic Risk Register**

The Head of Planning and Performance presented the Strategic Risk Register for consideration and approval. He proposed that a risk associated with WAN installation be closed. It was also explained that risks associated with international conflict in the context of business continuity and operational resilience are under consideration.

The Deputy Police & Crime Commissioner and the Deputy Chief Constable approved the Strategic Risk Register and the following recommendation:

- (1) The WAN installation/transition delay risk can now be closed.

The rationale was that the effective management of strategic risk supports the delivery of high-quality policing services.

### **6. Joint Management Board Action Log**

The Joint Management Board Action Log was noted.

*The meeting concluded at 10.30am.*