WYPCC – Briefing / Decision template

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Timing:	Routine
Purpose:	To seek the view of the Commissioner on a process for selecting the names of the new PFI buildings.
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SUBJECT OF ADVICE

Summary: This paper seeks the views of the Commissioner in respect of a process for selecting the names for the new PFI Buildings at Carr Gate, Elland Road Leeds and Havertop Lane Normanton.

Also to seek the Commissioner's views on the renaming of City and Holbeck Division.

Recommendation: That the Commissioner provide his views on the process for selecting names for the three new PFI buildings and a change of name for City and Holbeck Division.

Consideration:

The PFI project will deliver a series of new buildings at Carr Gate (Training Facilities), Elland Road Leeds (DHQ) and Havertop Road Normanton (DHQ). In the recent past new buildings have been given names, for example Trafalgar House Bradford – Bradford South DHQ, Hoban House and Cramphorn House – HMET and Sir Alex Jeffries Building – SSU.

Some early consultation has been undertaken with the three divisions who will occupy the new buildings and the following options have been put forward:

- Carr Gate Hub building suggested as Bishopgarth House, as this retains the brand/name of the current training facility, but no suggestions made for Public Order Training Building or Firearms Facility.
- Havertop Lane Wakefield Divisional Headquarters was suggested to make it clear the purpose of the building. Another option was Loscoe House, as this is what the area is locally known as. Another suggestion by local councillors is Dom Pedro House, because it stands on the ground of the old Dom Pedro Colliery.
- Elland Road The only suggest put forward is Elland Road Police Station based on the location.

In respect of the divisional name of City and Holbeck Division, a consultation exercise has been undertaken, which included staff, the public, MPs and local councillors. There is overwhelming support for the division to change its name to City and South Leeds.

In the past the Force has carried out consultation both internally, and if appropriate externally, when seeking the name of a new building asking that names be submitted for consideration and has previously been linked to a competition with a prize, e.g. a bottle of champagne. It is proposed that this exercise be carried out in this case and that a small panel be set up to consider the names put forward. This panel would include the PCC and CC and the Divisional Commander or their representative if considered appropriate.

Affordability

There are not cost implications to the proposals in this paper other than the opportunity costs in respect of the consultation and the cost of the competition prize.

Supporting and dissenting Views:

Not applicable at this stage.

APPENDICES:

None