Joint Business Meeting between Northumbria Police & OPCC. Location & date: Balliol Business Park. 5th September 2013.

Time: 9am till 10.50am.

Attendance: Vera Baird, Elaine Snaith, Mark Dennett, Richard Hall, Maureen Berne, John Leslie, Jocelin Lawson, Steve Ashman, Sue Sim, Scott Duffy.

The meeting was opened by Commissioner Vera Baird who welcomed colleagues.

Estates: John Leslie discussed the work being undertaken at Follingsby and that the defects following building work were being addressed and monitored. Technical training area work will commence 9th September. The Chief Constable asked for assurances that the issues relating to the changing room / drains were being addressed. JL confirmed they were.

The Commissioner requested that Follingsby becomes a standing item on the agenda until all issues are resolved.

Forth Banks / HQ Disposal: Will become a standing item from October. It was agreed that a presentation would be given to give an update on progress to date. The Chief Executive of the OPCC stated her determination in ensuring the scheme comes in on budget.

It was agreed to look at the requirements to pursue the disposal of Force HQ in Ponteland.

Joint Risk Register: Discussion took place re the strategic risk register and the Chief Constable spoke about the operational risk register that sits behind the joint risk register.

Stage Two Transfer: The Commissioner stated that talks continue with the Chief Constable and Unison regarding stage two transfer. The PCC is to seek legal advice independently of the Chief Constable to ensure the needs of both organisations are fully met through the transfer.

Review of Scheme of Governance: The Commissioner advised that there was to be a review of delegations and scheme of governance as the Home Office require a review as part of the second stage transfer.

Chief Finance Officer, Mike Tate gave an update on Heritable Investment Bank and how this links in to future spend.

MTFS: The Chief Constable will go through all issues for operational policing requirements and will follow up with the PCC.

Regional Collaboration Agreement: A draft agreement is under discussion with Cumbria, Durham and Northumbria. The Deputy Chief Constable is looking in to the details and contractual agreements. Steve Ashman to present a report at next meeting.

National Audit Office: Are visiting Northumbria on Friday 6th September.

SAFC v NUFC: A discussion took place around the policing of the derby match in October.

Late Night Levy: Discussion took place around the implementation of the late night levy. Richard Heron is to look in to a number of issues that were raised and will report back to the next meeting.

Any other business: The Chief Finance Officer discussed the process for the preparation and approval of statement of accounts.