

POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR NORTHUMBRIA

Key Decisions

Title and Reference

Purchase of Former Courts Accommodation– First Floor, Alnwick Police Station, Prudhoe Street, Alnwick (PCC/08/2013)

Report of the Property Adviser

Summary

The first floor offices at Alnwick Police Station have been used as a Magistrates' Court by HM Courts and Tribunal Service (HMCTS) for a number of years. However, following re-organisation of the Court Service, the premises have been vacated and the long leasehold interest was subsequently advertised for sale.

During the marketing process the leasehold interest was offered back to the landlord, the Police and Crime Commissioner. Taking the lease back (i.e. accepting a surrender) allows the Commissioner to consolidate the ownership of the building.

The Chief Constable has confirmed that the accommodation will be used for operational purposes releasing two police houses currently used as offices adjacent for disposal.

Recommendation/ Findings:

It is recommended that the Commissioner agrees to the surrender of the long leasehold interest held by HMCTS on the terms set out in the papers submitted.

(These papers are exempted under Paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972)

Northumbria Police and Crime Commissioner

I hereby approve the recommendation above.

Signature



Date 19.03.13