

HAMPSHIRE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL

Report

Date:	13 th June 2022
Title:	Hampshire OPCC Estates Strategy – Update
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Purpose of this Report

1. The purpose of this report is to provide an update to the Police and Crime Panel regarding the OPCC Estates Strategy 2022 - 2024.

Recommendation(s)

2. That the update on the Estates Strategy is noted

Executive Summary

3. This report provides an update to the Police and Crime Panel regarding the ongoing activities in relation to the Estates Team, led by the office of the PCC.

The focus of the Estates Team is to successfully deliver the completion of upgrade and regeneration planned works to mission-critical properties within the Hampshire OPCC portfolio. These works are required to address issues which have not been resolved in years past or have recently been identified as requirements to safeguard buildings, some of which are in use 24 hours a day.

These planned activities are being delivered in conjunction with Hampshire Constabulary. In order to manage the projects a project board has been assembled to ensure the management of work is kept on track.

The Estates Team is focused on delivering the estates work programme to ensure the buildings remain legally compliant, functioning and to maximise the life span of the building. These planned works have been decided following an assessment of the estates condition, undertaken in 2021. The projects are managed following data driven decisions to ensure buildings are fit for purpose, relevant, affordable and have their performance formally measured.

4. The Estates Team aims to bring consistency to the estate whilst considering minimum space requirements, lighting design, design and decoration guides, among other aspects of estate management which are designed to ensure a safe, practicable and maintainable working environment for the constabulary.

An initial desktop review of the most critical buildings and spaces has been completed with the assistance of the Hampshire Constabulary, Hampshire County Council and other interested parties. This review has identified a small but important number of properties which will require a more formal feasibility study in order to make a case for recovering the condition of the property and or making it fit for purpose, versus a decision to re-provide the property and or sell the existing asset. Officer uplift and improvements in staff welfare are all both considered in this exercise.

The requirements of the OPCC estate management will continue until May 2024. The planned works are due to complete in Q4 2022, Q1 2023 and Q1 2024 respectively.

Contextual information

5. The Estate Improvement Plan is the condition and risk assessment document upon which data is entered using a set scoring methodology via a committee review process to score and thus rank existing estate assets in order of need, with lowest scoring assets indicating the greatest need for review/investment.

Over time this document will drive a cyclical view of building condition and function to support decision making within the OPCC, the expected long term output of this document is to provide a narrowing of scores between the best and worst scoring assets, indicating better consistency.

Conclusions

6. As with all large estates, there are on-going issues which are required to be resolved now and at staged phases over the next 24 months in order to prevent any adverse incidents within the estate which could impact operational policing.
7. The Estate Strategy is built upon the foundations of a fit for purpose estate which is maintained with a specific focus on how the estate is built to a standard which can withstand 24/7 operational use by police staff.
8. There are a number of estate assets which at this early stage, are easily and demonstrably identified as presenting a medium to long term risk to operational policing. These assets will be subject to specific review in conjunction with the constabulary to identify whether they can be returned to a fit for purpose condition or whether it is more affordable and practicable to dispose of it and re-provide.

REQUIRED LEGAL INFORMATION:

Significant Links

Links to previous Member decisions:	
<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
Direct links to specific legislation or Government Directives	
<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>

Section 100 D - Local Government Act 1972 - background documents

The following documents discuss facts or matters on which this report, or an important part of it, is based and have been relied upon to a material extent in the preparation of this report. (NB: the list excludes published works and any documents which disclose exempt or confidential information as defined in the Act.)

Document

Location

None