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SUBJECT: Police and Crime Commissioners REF:

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### 1.0 Recommendations

**REPORT FROM:** 

1.1 For Members to take note of the report

#### 2.0 Purpose of Report

2.1 To provide Members with up-to-date information on the Police and Crime Commissioners (PCC) and the Police and Crime Panels (PCP) that will be introduced nationally from November 2012.

## 3.0 Detail

3.1 See annex 1 for detail, a report constructed by Sally Goodwin, Head of Community Safety at Derbyshire County Council. The report provides background information on the role of the PCC's and the PCP's and the current position within Derbyshire.

#### 4.0 Financial Implications

4.1 Potentially the introduction of the PCC's and PCPS could mean a reduction in funding for the Safer South Derbyshire Partnership. Current funding from DCC will be redirected into the PCC. It is however hoped that this funding will still be made available for Partnerships to access. For the current year 2012/13 the funding from the DCC is £23,000 which supports the ASB officer and some project work.

## 5.0 Corporate Implications

5.1 District Councils will be required to hold local elections in November for the appointment of the Police and Crime commissioner. All costs to the District council for this will be recharged to the government as occurs for General elections.

### 6.0 Community Implications

6.1 Voting on 15 November 2012 will allow the public to vote for their local PCC. The Government has been clear in its desire for the public to have a voice in policing. The PCC will have to publish information which will help the public to understand what is

happening in their area. They are required to publish a 5 year Police and Crime Plan and an Annual Report which reports progress on the delivery of the plans. Their plan will include the annual local precept and annual force budget. The public can use this information to hold the PCC to account and to inform their view on the PCC's work/success.

6.2 The existing Safer Neighbourhoods Public meetings will not be affected by the introduction of the PCC's and the PCP's

# 7.0 Background Papers

7.1 Annex 1 provides an update report written for the scrutiny committee by Sally Goodwin, head of Community Safety at Derbyshire County Council.