

Northumbria PCC Business Meeting Minutes

Title: Business Meeting

Date: 10 April 2025 **Duration:** 2.15pm-2.30pm **Location:** Teams/MEL

Present:

Susan Dungworth – Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC)
Clare Penny Evans – Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner (DPCC)
Ruth Durham – Chief of Staff of the OPCC
Gail Thompson – Deputy Head of Finance (NP)
Vicki Wilson – Minute Taker (OPCC)

OPEN SESSION

1. Police Property Fund

The Police Property Act stated property which came into the possession of the police in connection with a crime and where the owner could not be found, could be sold with the money being kept in the Police Property Act Fund. The same was true for property which had been forfeited by convicted persons by order of a court, as it was used or intended for use in a crime.

The full statement of Police Property Fund accounts had been highlighted.

The following organisations were included for consideration as they had requested donations.

- £30,000 - Police Treatment Centre. This request covered payments for the financial years 2023/24 and 2024/25. The previous agreement with the Police Treatment Centre covered the 3 years 2020/21 to 2022/23.
- £6,000 - Northumbria Police Charity Fund.

The Police Treatment Centres were a long-established and respected registered charity. Founded in 1897 with the aim of supporting Police Officers in need, The Police Treatment Centres was a charity committed to helping the serving police workforce and retired police officers recover from injury, illnesses or health conditions (sustained on or off duty) and promoting the wellbeing of the policing profession.

The Northumbria Police Charities Trust was created in 1974 and had been a registered charity under the terms of the Charity Commission since 1998 as the Northumbria Police Charities Fund.

The charity aimed to help any vulnerable, disabled, disadvantaged or deprived individuals, charities, people or community groups across the Force area. The fund was not available for personal applications from serving or retired officers or staff of Northumbria Police, or the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner.

The recommendation was to agree to the payments of the two requested donations.

The PCC approved the Key Decision. It had also been agreed that a PCC visit to the Police Treatment Centre would be arranged for the Autumn Term.