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REPORT / SUMMARY DECISION SHEET

PURPOSE: COMMISSIONER DECISION / INFORMATION / BRIEFING – REF. CM.14.10.13

Timing: Pressing

Title: Police and Crime Commissioner leaflet within the annual Council Tax Demands to households

Category of Decision / Business Area Impact: Communication

Executive Summary:

The Council Tax (Administration and Enforcement) (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2013 removes the legal obligation to include a paper copy of the Council Tax booklet and Police leaflet within the annual Council Tax Demands. We are now permitted to direct the public to the website where the booklet/leaflet can be obtained and only to supply a hard copy if requested by the customer.

In February 2013 the precept notice was sent out to households, the cost of which amounted to £3,686. There are 221,858 households in Dyfed-Powys, therefore the cost equated to 1.6 pence per household.

Recent consultation through Citizen Panels indicates that newsletters and flyers to households continue to be a preferred method of receiving information on the police and the Police and Crime Commissioner. As such, it is proposed that we continue to distribute information through the annual Council Tax Demands, but that consideration be given to the presentation, detail and relevance of information provided.

Recommendation: To continue distributing information through the annual Council Tax Demands. Prior to doing so, consideration should be given to the presentation, detail and relevance of information.

Chief of Staff

I have been consulted about the proposal and confirm that financial and legal advice have been taken into account in the preparation of this report. I am satisfied that this an appropriate request to be submitted to the Commissioner.

Signature: 

Date: 14.10.13

Police and Crime Commissioner for Dyfed-Powys

I confirm I have considered whether or not I have any personal or prejudicial interest in this matter and take the proposed decision in compliance with the NOLAN Principles for Conduct in Public Life. The above has my approval.

Signature:



Date:

14/10/2013

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