



**Request for decision:**

**D23-2016**

**Subject matter: Appointment of Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner**

**Executive summary:**

Although the Commissioner did not see the need to appoint a Deputy during his first term of office it is apparent that since the creation of the role of Police and Crime Commissioner in 2012 the responsibilities of the role have increased significantly and all the indications are that they will continue to do so. During his previous term he employed a “private secretary” to assist him in developing projects and initiatives. That person resigned shortly before the PCC election period and has not been replaced. The Commissioner has identified that he needs someone who can directly support him especially in attending the many functions, meetings and other events to which he is invited both within the county and nationally. Some of these events require the person attending to address sometimes politically controversial issues on which it would not be appropriate for a member of the OPCC staff to comment publically. The Commissioner therefore reconsidered his position and decided that the time is now right to appoint a Deputy to help him fulfil his duties and assist him in delivering the developing the Police and Crime Plan 2017-2021.

**Recommendations (with reasons for that recommendation)**

That Mr Christopher Brierley is appointed as the Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner for Gloucestershire.

**Police and Crime Commissioner**

The above request has my approval.

Signed:

Date: 23 August 2016