

# Designated Local Police Commander – Lothians and Scottish Borders

# Report by Eibhlin McHugh, Director, Health & Social Care

## 1 Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to bring to the Board's attention the consultation undertaken by Police Scotland in appointing the new Local Police Commander, Chief Superintendant Ivor Marshall.

#### 2 Background

The attached letter provides detail of correspondence between Police Scotland and Midlothian Council regarding the Local Police Commander appointment.

#### 3 Report Implications

#### 3.1 Resource

This report has no resource implications

#### 3.2 Single Midlothian Plan and Business Transformation

Themes addressed in this report:

- Community safety
- Adult health, care and housing
- Getting it right for every Midlothian child
- Improving opportunities in Midlothian
- Sustainable growth
- Business transformation and Best Value
- None of the above

## 3.3 Key Priorities within the Single Midlothian Plan

Ensuring Midlothian is a safe place to live, work and visit

## 3.4 Ensuring Equalities

This report has no equalities implications

#### 4 Recommendations

The Police and Fire & Rescue Board is asked to note the consultation undertaken by Police Scotland in appointing the new Local Police Commander.

# 17<sup>th</sup> May 2016

## **Report Contact:**

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Your Ref:

Our Ref:

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Dear Mr Lawrie

# Designated Local Police Commander – Lothians and Scottish Borders

As you are aware Chief Superintendent Gillian Imery has recently taken up another position.

Under Section 44 of the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012: "(2) For each local authority area, the chief constable must, after consulting the local authority, designate a constable as local commander". In addition the Act also permits the Chief Constable to appoint an officer as Local Police Commander for more than one area.

In this regard I write to inform you my nomination for your Local Police Commander is Chief Superintendent Ivor Marshall. Ivor started his policing career with Dumfries and Galloway Constabulary where he worked in a range of roles and ranks across community policing, criminal investigations, local partnerships and the force control room. He later transferred to Lothian and Borders Police where he carried out a number of senior roles. As the Deputy Divisional Commander in the City of Edinburgh he had responsibility for a variety of operational teams and was the also the police representative on a number of partnership groups. He was chair of Edinburgh Child Protection Committee for over 3 years and was a member of the Chief Officer Group. In recent years he has undertaken lead roles in the delivery of the Commonwealth Games, working with partners on national leadership development and most recently was Head of Training, Leadership and Development for Police Scotland. Ivor has a wealth of urban and rural policing experience specifically focusing on prevention and development through collaboration. He currently resides within the Lothians and Scottish Borders Division with his family.

Chief Superintendent Marshall has been selected following a process which involved the post being advertised across Scotland to all eligible candidates.

I write to consult you on this proposition and would be grateful if you could therefore respond, advising whether you support my nomination of Chief Superintendent Marshall as Local Police Commander for your area.

I would appreciate an early reply, which would allow me to confirm Chief Superintendent Marshall in his role and allow him to make contact with you directly.

Chief Superintendent Marshall is a highly experienced officer and I am certain the positive working relationship Midlothian Council previously enjoyed with Chief Superintendent Imery will continue in the capable hands of Chief Superintendent Marshall.

I trust you will find this information helpful.

Yours sincerely,

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Philip Gormley QPM Chief Constable

Date: 9 May 2016

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Dear Mr Lawrie

## **Designated Local Police Commander – The Lothians & Scottish Borders**

Thank you for your prompt response to my request for views on the appointment of a new Divisional Commander for The Lothians & Scottish Borders Division.

I can confirm the appointment of Chief Superintendent Ivor Marshall from Monday 16 May 2016. I know Chief Superintendent Marshall is very much looking forward to building a strong working relationship with you and your Elected Members.

Yours sincerely

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