



REPORT TO THE SOUTH WALES POLICE AND CRIME PANEL 5th June 2018

Change in Membership of the South Wales Police and Crime Panel

Purpose of the Report

To advise of changes to the membership of the Panel.

1.0 Introduction / Background

- 1.1 The Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 states that each police force area in Wales is to have a Police and Crime Panel established and maintained in accordance with Part 3 of Schedule 6 of the Act (Panels established by the Secretary of State).
- 1.2 In Wales, Police and Crime Panels are established by the Secretary for State, who must establish and maintain a separate police and crime panel for each police area in Wales. In Wales, a Police and Crime Panel is not a committee or joint committee of any local authority, and members are appointed by the Secretary of State, having been nominated by a relevant local authority.
- 1.3 South Wales Police is a multi authority police force area and covers seven local authority areas, these being:- Bridgend County Borough Council; Cardiff Council; Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council; Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council; Rhondda Cynon Taf County Borough Council; the City and County of Swansea; and the Vale of Glamorgan Council.

2.0 Change in membership of the South Wales Police and Crime Panel

- 2.1 There have been two changes to the membership of the Panel following notification from the Vale of Glamorgan Council and Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council:-
 - **Vale of Glamorgan Council** - Cllr Janice Charles replaces Cllr John Thomas.
 - **Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council** – Cllr Chris Davies replaces Cllr Kevin Gibbs

- 2.2 At the time this report was prepared we currently await confirmation of the appointment of Councillor Charles and Councillor Davies from the Home Secretary. Both Councillors cannot formally take up their roles on the Panel until confirmation is received.
- 2.3 No other changes in membership have been notified to the host authority. As such, and subject to Home Office confirmation in respect of Councillor Janice Charles and Councillor Chris Davies, the following table reflects the current membership composition of the South Wales Police and Crime Panel.

Local Authority	Panel Member	Political Representation
Bridgend County Borough Council	Cllr Richard Young	Labour
Cardiff Council	Cllr Timothy Davies	Conservative
Cardiff Council	Cllr Bernie Bowen-Thomson	Labour
Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council	Cllr Chris Davies	Independent
Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council	Cllr Peter Rees	Labour
Rhondda Cynon Taf County Borough Council	Cllr Rhys Lewis	Labour
Rhondda Cynon Taf County Borough Council	Cllr Robert Smith	Labour
City and Council of Swansea	Cllr Christine Lewis	Labour
City and Council of Swansea	Cllr Kelly Roberts	Labour
Vale of Glamorgan Council	Cllr Janice Charles	Conservative
Mr Melvin Jehu	Independent Co-opted member	
Mr Martyn Jones	Independent Co-opted member	

3.0 Recommendation(s) that

- 3.1 The changes in membership of the South Wales Police and Crime Panel be noted, subject to Home Office confirmation.

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