

ORIGINATOR: CHIEF EXECUTIVE

DECISION NUMBER: 27 - 2022.

REASON FOR SUBMISSION: FOR DECISION

SUBMITTED TO: POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER

SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY CHIEF CONSTABLE

SUMMARY:

1. This paper proposes the appointment of a temporary Chief Constable to cover the period between the outgoing Chief Constable leaving and a new Chief Constable commencing in office.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. It is recommended that Deputy Chief Constable Rachel Kearton be appointed as the Temporary Chief Constable to cover the period between Steve Jupp the outgoing Chief Constable leaving on 2 October 2022 and a new Chief Constable commencing in office or until further notice.

APPROVAL BY: PCC

The recommendation set out is agreed.

Signature:

Tim Pannone

Date:

*16th August
2022*

DETAIL OF THE SUBMISSION

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The current Chief Constable Steve Jupp has resigned with effect from 2 October 2022. This date will be his last day with Suffolk Constabulary.
- 1.2 Steps are being taken to recruit a new Chief Constable. A period of time will elapse before a new substantive Chief Constable can be appointed and start in office.
- 1.3 Section 2 of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 provides:

“each police force is to have a chief constable”

Thus a temporary appointment is required for the intervening period to satisfy the statutory requirement.

- 1.4 The appointment of a temporary Chief Constable is required to cover the intervening period from the departure of Steve Jupp until a new substantive Chief Constable can start in office.

2. PROPOSED TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT

- 2.1 It is proposed that Deputy Chief Constable Rachel Kearton cover this intervening period by way of temporary promotion to Temporary Chief Constable.
- 2.2 Rachel Kearton was appointed as Assistant Chief Constable from 7 September 2015 which position she held until 1 January 2019 when she was appointed as a Deputy Chief Constable.

3. SERVICE AND FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 There are no service and financial implications of significance arising from this proposed short period of temporary appointment.

4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS


- 4.1 There are no risks of significance arising from the proposed course of action. There are no applicable risks on the Police and Crime Commissioner’s Risk Registers.

ORIGINATOR CHECKLIST (MUST BE COMPLETED)	PLEASE STATE 'YES' OR 'NO'
Has legal advice been sought on this submission?	No – originator is a Solicitor and the Monitoring Officer
Has the PCC's Chief Finance Officer been consulted?	Yes
Have equality, diversity and human rights implications been considered including equality analysis, as appropriate?	Yes
Have human resource implications been considered?	Yes
Is the recommendation consistent with the objectives in the Police and Crime Plan?	Not Applicable
Has consultation been undertaken with people or agencies likely to be affected by the recommendation?	Yes
Has communications advice been sought on areas of likely media interest and how they might be managed?	Yes
Have all relevant ethical factors been taken into consideration in developing this submission?	Yes

APPROVAL TO SUBMIT TO THE DECISION-MAKER (this approval is required only for submissions to the PCC).

Chief Executive

I am satisfied that relevant advice has been taken into account in the preparation of the report and that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the PCC.

Signature:  Date: *11 August 2022*

