

# Audit, Standards and Risk Committee

## Wednesday, 21 June 2023

## **Future Police & Crime Commissioner Functions**

Is the paper exempt from the press and public? No

Reason why exempt: Not applicable

Purpose of this report: Discussion

Is this a Key Decision?

Has it been included on the Forward Plan of

**Key Decisions?** 

Not a Key Decision

## **Director Approving Submission of the Report:**

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#### **Summary**

The MCA Board on 5<sup>th</sup> June considered a report outlining discussions that have taken place between South Yorkshire MCA, the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC), and Government officials regarding a future transfer of PCC functions to the Mayor in South Yorkshire and seeks approval for a number of next steps. The MCA Board agreed that a joint letter from the Mayor, MCA Leaders and PCC will be submitted to the Secretaries of State for the Department of Levelling Up, Housing and Communities and the Home Office to request that Government officials work with South Yorkshire officers to draft legislation to allow decisions to be made in the Autumn.

This report is provided to the Committee to allow them to begin considering the implications associated with these potential changes on the MCA's governance and risk.

At the time of writing only limited engagement with the OPCC had taken place on potential practical integration issues. As more work in undertaken officers will be able to begin both building up a picture and consider the role of the Committee in pre and post integration activity.

## What does this mean for businesses, people and places in South Yorkshire?

The governance and scrutiny of policing alongside the provision of services delivered directly by or through contracted services through the OPCC and Violence Reduction Unit (VRU) are critical to the ongoing and improving safety and security of South Yorkshire communities.

## Recommendation(s)

Members are asked to note the MCA paper.