



LEICESTERSHIRE POLICE AUTHORITY

Press Information

Police Authority appoints new Chief Executive

LEICESTERSHIRE Police Authority has created a new dual management role for the first time in its history as part of an on-going cost saving exercise.

Paul Stock has been appointed as joint Chief Executive and Treasurer of the Authority to steer the organisation through the current tough financial challenges and the reforms planned for police governance.

It is the first time the Police Authority has established a joint role and demonstrates its commitment to streamlining services to keep costs down.

Formerly the Strategic Finance Director at the Metropolitan Police, Mr Stock began his public sector career at Northamptonshire Police. He has also previously worked as a financial consultant in London.

Mr Stock, who lives in Northampton, takes over the helm at a time when the Authority faces severe funding cuts and difficult decisions to maintain future services but says he is looking forward to the challenge. He is also expected to effectively manage the transition period to the new police governance arrangements.

Speaking of his new appointment, Mr Stock said: "I am relishing the chance to lead the Police Authority at such a crucial period and am confident that we can bring about any necessary changes in the way services are delivered in a positive manner.

"Leicestershire has already implemented many beneficial efficiency changes which will provide a firm foundation to build upon to ensure the quality of service improve still further, albeit with substantially less funding.

"With my previous experience in change management, I want to maintain this progress and ensure any further structural changes are carried out smoothly and effectively without impacting on frontline services and ensure the day-to-day role of management continues normally.

“Our work now will set the benchmark for future policing in Leicestershire and I’m looking forward to working with my colleagues in the Authority and the Force to build an effective and efficient organisation which provides the public with excellent value for money.”

Barrie Roper, Chairman of Leicestershire Police Authority, added: “We warmly welcome Paul to the role of Chief Executive and Treasurer of Leicestershire Police Authority and look forward to drawing upon his skills and expertise in this difficult financial period.

“We believe as a Police Authority it is our responsibility to look at our own costs during these challenging times and the creation of this two-sided role is just one way we can contribute to the drive to improve efficiency.”

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