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Meeting **POLICE AUTHORITY**

Date **TUESDAY 27 JANUARY 2009 – 2.00 P.M.**

Report of **CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

Subject **POLICING AND CRIME BILL**

Purpose of Report

1. This report informs members of the content of the Policing and Crime Bill.

Commentary

2. The Queen's speech in December 2008 referred to a Policing and Crime Bill. The Bill has been published. Members will recall that the Home Secretary announced on the eve of its publication that the Government no longer proposed to introduce directly elected Crime and Policing Representatives. However, David Blunkett MP is undertaking a review of police governance for the Labour Party which it is understood will pave the way for that party's stance at the next general election.
3. The Policing Bill has a number of components of interest to this Police Authority. A copy of the Association of Police Authorities' summary of the Bill is found as an Appendix to this report.

Recommendation

4. Members are invited to comment on the proposals in the Policing and Crime Bill.

Implications

Financial: none. Legal: none. Diversity: none. Risk Management: a number of provisions in the Bill could impact upon the business of the Authority and the Force.

Background Papers

None.

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