



The CPS incorporates RCPO

Mr Geoff Lee
Chair – Safer Stockton Partnership

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Dear Mr Lee,

I am writing to inform you that we are considering how best the Crown Prosecution Service can deliver for those we serve in the North East. You will be all too familiar from your own service's perspective with the challenges presented by the comprehensive spending review. There are similar challenges for us and we are convinced that we need to take positive action to put the CPS in the North East onto a more secure footing both in the short and medium term.

Against that background, we have formulated a set of firm proposals as set out in the attached business case summary document. We have just commenced formal consultation with our staff in accordance with departmental policies and would therefore welcome your views on the proposals we have set out.

If you wish to comment in writing, please will you do so to Wendy Williams, Chief Crown Prosecutor at the address below no later than 4 September 2012. If you would welcome a meeting to discuss the proposals before then, please let her PA, Judith Malkinson, know on the number above and she will be only too pleased to make the necessary arrangements.

This is the first stage of the reorganisation process. Once we have feedback from partner agencies and our own staff and Trade Unions, we will make a decision as to what is to be implemented. Once that decision is made, we will of course discuss further with you how we will make the new structure work.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'CHEJ' or similar, written over a light blue circular stamp.

Christopher H Enzor
Deputy Chief Crown Prosecutor
CPS North East

