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Debbie Barnes OBE  
Chief Executive, Lincolnshire County Council

By Email: [Debbie.Barnes@lincolnshire.gov.uk](mailto:Debbie.Barnes@lincolnshire.gov.uk)

Dear Debbie,

**Re: Host authority status for the Lincolnshire Police and Crime Panel**

Further to our previous conversations I'm writing formally to invite Lincolnshire County Council to take on host authority status for the Lincolnshire Police and Crime Panel from 1 April 2024.

The Panel was established in 2012, in accordance with Schedule 6 of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011, as a joint committee of the eight Lincolnshire Local Authorities. The Panel Arrangements were approved by each of the Councils in the county.

The existing arrangements for the Panel include the designation of East Lindsey District Council as the host authority, responsible for providing such administrative and other support as necessary to enable the Panel to undertake its functions. The Council has undertaken this role with professionalism and dedication to ensure the Panel has successfully delivered against its statutory requirements. However, after over a decade of the Council supporting the Panel, coupled with the financial year end approaching, the forthcoming PCC Elections in May 2024 and the interest from your organisation, it is an appropriate time to consider an alternative host authority for the Panel.

The Members of the Panel are not yet aware of this proposal and accordingly if Lincolnshire County Council wishes to progress this invitation I would kindly request that officers from both our organisations work closely together to ensure the Panel Members and the Officer Team supporting the Panel are briefed.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "R Barlow", written over a faint grey grid background.

Robert Barlow  
Joint Chief Executive  
Boston Borough Council, East Lindsey District Council &  
South Holland District Council

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