

WYPCC – Briefing / Decision template

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Timing:	Routine – the property is vacant and ready to be marketed for sale.
Purpose:	For Decision – by Mark Burns-Williamson
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SUBJECT OF ADVICE Former Police House at 1 Church Lane, Pool-in-Wharfedale

Summary: It is proposed to appoint a residential marketing agent and put this empty detached house on the market for sale. The property is not part of a larger police site. Disposal will generate a capital receipt and remove the liabilities of a vacant property. Running cost savings will be small.

Recommendation: To sell the property on the open market.

Consideration: This house was occupied until October 2012 and is now empty. It has been the policy over recent years that all empty police houses are sold unless they are situated within a wider police station site. It is proposed a residential estate agent is appointed to market the property as this is considered the most likely method of achieving the best price.

Affordability: The property is in tired condition but is anticipated to sell within a reasonable timescale due to its location in a popular residential area. Until sold the property incurs costs for council tax and reactive maintenance as necessary.

Handling: This disposal is considered non-contentious and it has not been considered necessary to undertake any prior consultation. The former occupant has retired from the Force and relocated whilst the property is not an operational police building.

Supporting and dissenting Views: A disposal is in line with the established Force approach to empty Police Houses and is supported by the Estates Department and ACO Nigel Brook.

APPENDICES: None