

## WYPCC – Submission – decision required

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**Circulation list:** Mark Burns-Williamson (Commissioner); Fraser Sampson (Chief Executive and Solicitor), Judith Heeley (Chief Finance Officer)

<b>Timing:</b>	Urgent. Decision required to withdraw from auction.
<b>Purpose:</b>	Consideration of withdrawing the auction of Hebden Bridge Police Station to allow the local community time to consider buying it.
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**SUBJECT OF ADVICE:** Hebden Bridge Police Station

**Summary:** The Police and Crime Commissioner agreed to the sale of the former Hebden Bridge Police Station in December 2012 and it is currently scheduled to be auctioned on 18 April.

Within the last few days there have been a couple of e-mails asking the Commissioner to consider withdrawing the building from auction so that the local community could consider buying it and using it for various community purposes.

The Estates department has confirmed that it would be possible to withdraw the property from the auction if the Commissioner wanted to agree to these requests.

The building was subject to significant flooding in June 2012. It is also tired and dated and would require substantial refurbishment.

**Recommendation:** The Commissioner agrees to the building being withdrawn from auction so that the Force can engage with the local community about local ownership.

**Affordability:** The annual estate running costs are £12k. The estimated amount expected to be raised by auction is under £100k.

**Supporting and dissenting Views:** As per e-mails.

**Resourcing:** None required.