

The Police and Crime Commissioner is required by Section 23E of the Police Act 1996 to publish the fact that a collaboration agreement has been made. A collaboration agreement is made between Chief Constables for the discharge of their functions and/or PCCs to provide support for the discharge of police functions. A number of national agreements have been made for certain specialist support functions, a number have been made between the 3 strategic alliance forces, Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire and Hertfordshire (BCH) and some regional agreements between Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire, Essex, Hertfordshire, Kent, Norfolk and Suffolk (7 Force).

The following agreements have been made by the Chief Constable and PCC:

- a. The Eastern Region Special Operations Unit (7 Force).
- b. Criminal Justice (BCH).
- c. Custody (BH only)
- d. Human Resources (BCH).
- e. ICT (BCH).
- f. Pensions & Payroll (BCH).
- g. Athena (7 Force, plus West Mercia and Warwickshire).
- h. Public Contact (BCH),
- i. Professional Standards Department (BCH),
- j. Joint Protective Services (BCH),
- k. Information Management (BCH),
- l. Counter Terrorism Intelligence Unit (7 Force),
- m. Procurement (BCH),
- n. Regional Hostage Negotiator (7 Force)
- o. 7 Force Collaboration,
- p. National Police Air Service,
- q. Regional Disaster Victim Identification (7 Force less Kent)
- r. National Units (Vehicle Crime Intelligence, Wildlife Crime and Freedom of Information and data Protection units),
- s. National firearms support.
- t. Single on-line home data enabled public contact,
- u. Chiltern Transport Consortium (Led by Thames Valley Police, Beds, Cambs, Hants, BTP)
- v. Firearms Licensing
- w. Cameras Tickets and Collisions