



Air Support Dyfed-Powys Police

Declaration

NPAS will take responsibility for providing air support to Dyfed-Powys Police on 1 January 2016. This service will be governed by the formal collaboration agreement that is in force.

Dyfed-Powys Police covers the largest police force area in England and Wales. The geography of the area is diverse, comprising over 350 miles of coastline, mountain ranges and military training areas that make air operations challenging.

We recognise the specific requirements of the public of Dyfed-Powys, and have agreed that the following arrangements will be put in place:

- Rotary wing air support will be provided principally by EC135 helicopters operating from St Athan and Hawarden, but also from the wider NPAS fleet where appropriate
- Air support will be available from St Athan and Hawarden 24 hours a day from 1 January 2016
- Helicopters will be equipped with night vision equipment
- The air base at Pembrey will remain in use as a forward operating base and refuelling point
- NPAS will cover the cost of equipping the base and operating costs. These costs will be reimbursed to the PCC for Dyfed-Powys
- Following the introduction of fixed wing aircraft into NPAS service, the use of Pembrey as a forward operating base will be evaluated to inform any further decisions
- Dyfed-Powys will pay £891,000. NPAS will take ownership of, and sell, the AW109 helicopter in return for capital credits.

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