

Sir Peter Brown
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Dear Sir Peter

I am looking forward to working with you. As you know the new Policing Bill is passing through parliament. Once the legislation to enable Police and Crime Commissioners to become responsible for fire and rescue services is finalised, it is my intention to use all the powers at my disposal to drive forward efficiencies in Cambridgeshire.

To this end, it is important that all options remain open. I am therefore formally requesting that Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service put on hold its plans to move their fire HQ building in Hinchingbrooke and fire station in Huntingdon town centre to a new combined headquarters, fire station and training centre on St John's Business Park in Huntingdon. It is important that all options regarding shared ways of working are explored before any final decision is made.

I have also written to the Rt Hon Mike Penning MP, Minister for Policing, Fire and Criminal Justice and Victims, to request his support for such a pause.

· Yours sincerely,

Jason Ablewhite

Cambridgeshire Police and Crime Commissioner