

WORK PROGRAMME

Purpose of the Report

- To give Members an opportunity to consider the work programme for the Panel and to suggest further topics for inclusion (**see appendix A**).
- To seek Members' approval to continuing the subscription to the regional PCP network.

Information and Advice

- The work programme is intended to assist with the Panel's agenda management and forward planning. The draft programme will be updated and reviewed regularly in conjunction with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Panel and is subject to detailed discussion with the Police and Crime Commissioner and the Chief Constable.
- The work programme has been updated to include specific focus on two of the seven Strategic Priority Themes included in the Police and Crime Plan at each meeting of the Panel (except the February meeting at which the precept and budget is considered).
- In discussion with the Commissioner, Members are asked to consider which Police and Crime Plan Strategic Priority Themes they would like to focus on within the April and June meetings. The Panel has so far considered the following themes:-

November 2014

- Priority Theme 3 – Focus on those priority crime types and local areas that are most affected by Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour – presentation by Deputy Chief Constable
- Priority Theme 7 – Spending your money wisely

January 2015

- Priority Theme 2 – Improve the efficiency, accessibility and effectiveness of the Criminal Justice System (to include a presentation from the Chair of the Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership)
- Priority Theme 1 – Protect, support and respond to victims, witnesses and vulnerable people)
- The remaining themes are therefore:-

- Priority Theme 4 – Reduce the impact of drugs and alcohol on levels of crime and anti-social behaviour
- Priority Theme 5 – Reduce the threat from organised crime
- Priority Theme 6 – Prevention, early intervention and reduction in reoffending.

Regional Police and Crime Panel Network

- At the Panel meeting of 28 April 2014, the Panel agreed to subscribe to a regional network (which had been established by Frontline Consulting) for 2014/15.
- The subscription offers the following benefits:-
 - Two meetings a year for the Chairman, Vice-Chairman and support officer (substitutes allowable) of each Panel to share information and experience, to problem-solve and to collaborate as appropriate; agendas would be devised by the participants and would include a regional update based upon information provided in a common template and 'hot topics' of challenges to address across the five Force areas as identified by participants
 - A 'helpline' facility (by telephone, e-mail and online) supported by Tim Young, Frontline Consulting's Lead on Policing and Crime, to answer queries and provide advice
 - A website www.pcps-direct.net, which all PCP members and support officers can sign up for, for free, to share their experiences and good practice, including:
 - an Information section: open-access pages that include a digest of news covering issues around Police and Crime Panels that will interest councillors, Independent Members and support officers, plus occasional features. There will be provision for Panels to post films, articles and more in-depth pieces about latest PCP developments; and
 - an Exchange section, offering scope for you to network with each other across PCPs by setting up personal circles or engaging in broader networks by theme, role, activity or Force area. One of the Networks is Ask Tim, where you can post your queries

In addition:-

- Three places for the price of two for Network members who want to attend our annual PCP conference (equivalent to a £99 discount). (The Panel also obtained a number of free places at the national PCP conference arranged by Frontline Consulting on 17 October 2014, in return for hosting the event).

- a 10% discount on any learning and development sessions that PCPs might want to engage Frontline Consulting to deliver – *can apply to more than one session*.
- The Panel was represented at the meetings on the 1 July 2014 and 22 January 2015 and officers and members have found the opportunity to network across the region very beneficial. The other four Panels represented at the Regional Network have expressed an initial willingness to continue to be involved (subject to formal agreement by each Panel).

Other Options Considered

- All Members of the Panel are able to suggest items for possible inclusion in the work programme. The Work Programme has been updated following discussions around the Commissioner's update report at the last meeting. The regular standing items and statutory requirements have also been scheduled into the proposed meeting timetable.
- Members had previously raised the possibility of the five Panels in the region arranging regional networking meetings themselves. However it is felt that the £500 cost of the subscription offers good value for money as well as the opportunity utilise Frontline Consulting's knowledge of the national context (the Panel has so far benefitted from this on issues such as OPCC costs and public engagement approaches).

Reasons for Recommendation/s

- To enable the work programme to be developed further.
- To enable the Panel to continue to receive the benefits offered by the subscription to the regional PCP network.

RECOMMENDATION/S

- 1) That the Panel agrees which of the Police and Crime Plan Strategic Priority Themes to focus on at the April and June meetings.
- 2) That the work programme be noted and updated in line with Members' suggestions as appropriate.
- 3) That the Panel subscribe to the regional PCP network for 2015/16 at a cost of £500.

Background Papers and Published Documents

- 1) Minutes of the previous meeting of the Panel (published).

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APPENDIX A

Nottinghamshire Police and Crime Panel

Work Programme (as at 23 January 2015)

<u>Agenda Item</u>	<u>Brief Summary</u>
20 April 2015 – 2.00pm – County Hall	
Community Engagement and Consultation Strategy 2013-17 – Refresh	To support the Commissioner in refreshing this Strategy, initially produced in December 2012.
Specific focus on two of the Police and Crime Plan Strategic Priority Themes.	Panel to consider specific elements of two Priority Themes (to be agreed in February 2015).
Police and Crime Commissioner's update, including Budget and Efficiency Programme update, details of decisions taken and overview of Force Performance).	The Panel will review and scrutinise any decisions and other actions taken by the Commissioner on an ongoing basis. The Panel will also consider the Commissioner's response to the key performance and financial issues within the Force.
Complaints update	Regular update on any complaints received against the Police and Crime Commissioner or Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner.
15 June 2015 – County Hall	
Appointment of Chairman and Vice-Chairman	To appoint the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Panel for the 2015/16 year.
Review of Balanced Appointment Objective.	<p>The Panel will review its membership to see whether any actions are required in order to meet the requirements for:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• the membership to represent all parts of the police force area and be politically balanced; and• members to have the skills, knowledge and experience necessary. <p>The terms of office for independent Members will also be reviewed where applicable.</p>
Police and Crime Commissioner's update, including Budget and Efficiency Programme update, details of decisions taken and overview of Force Performance).	The Panel will review and scrutinise any decisions and other actions taken by the Commissioner on an ongoing basis. The Panel will also consider the Commissioner's response to the key performance and financial issues within the Force.
Complaints update	Regular update on any complaints received against the Police and Crime Commissioner or Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner.

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Policing Governance	Consideration of any proposals affecting the national Policing Governance landscape following the General Election.
Transforming Rehabilitation – further update from the Community Rehabilitation Company	Further to the update presented to the Panel in January 2015.
Consultation Events and Complaints Received	The first six monthly update on the Commissioner's consultation events and complaints received by the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (as agreed at the 5 January 2015 Panel meeting).