

PANEL MEMBER DEVELOPMENT

Purpose of the Report

1. To note the forthcoming induction day which is planned for Monday 5 October from 9.30 am to 4.00 pm.
2. To consider arranging the proposed Members' Workshop to consider emerging national Police and Crime issues in early December rather than early October as initially planned.
3. To seek Members' views on other possible areas of development.

Information and Advice

Induction Day – 5 October 2015

4. As requested by Members, an induction day has been arranged for Monday 5 October 2015 at Force HQ, Sherwood Lodge, Arnold. This event is aimed primarily at new Members but existing Members are also welcome to attend.
5. The day will provide further information about the roles and responsibilities of the Panel and will offer an opportunity to hear the views of the Commissioner and the Deputy Commissioner. There will also be a tour of Force Headquarters and sessions with relevant Force officers about Neighbourhood Policing, Contact Management, Professional Standards, Firearms, Dogs and Regional Collaboration.

Members Workshop – Emerging Police and Crime Issues

6. The Panel agreed at its meeting on 15 June 2015 to arrange a workshop in early October to look at a number of issues emerging nationally around the Police and Crime agenda. In light of the date of the Induction Day and the fact that information about the Comprehensive Spending Review will not be available in early October it is suggested that it would be more beneficial to arrange this event for early December. If the Panel agrees this suggestion then Members' availability will be checked prior to a date being finalised.

Other Possible Areas of Development

7. The Home Office funding for the Panel includes money to cover Members' expenses, including costs of attending conferences, seminars and training events. A number of members have utilised this funding to attend relevant training courses about Police and Crime Panels and more specific policing and crime issues. Should any Member wish to attend an external training course they are asked to contact Keith Ford in the first instance to discuss further.

8. Members' views are also sought about any other areas of possible development that would be helpful for individual Members or the Panel as a whole.

Other Options Considered

9. To not offer development opportunities for Members but this would not assist the Panel in undertaking its statutory responsibilities.

Reasons for Recommendation/s

10. To clarify arrangements for planned events and to seek members views on other possible areas of development.

RECOMMENDATION/S

- 1) That Members note the Members' induction day planned for 5 October 2015.
- 2) That Members consider deferring the proposed workshop planned to consider national Policing governance and funding issues from early October to early December (date to be confirmed).
- 3) That Members note the funding available for attending relevant conferences, seminars and training events and suggest other possible areas of development.

Background Papers and Published Documents

None.

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