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REPORT OF THE CHAIR OF THE CORPORATE STRATEGY AND COORDINATION SELECT COMMITTEE

CRIME AND BURGLARY RATE REDUCTION

Purpose of the Report

1. The purpose of this report is to set the scene for the presentation by the Chief Constable, Steve Green on current progress in reducing crime rates in general, and the burglary rate in particular.

Background

2. As Members will be aware, we have been keeping the performance indicator for burglary rates under close scrutiny as part of our ongoing remit of monitoring the corporate performance of the authority. Rather than falling by 30 % as intended, the target has fluctuated.
3. The Committee will also recall that we held our March 2004 meeting at Police HQ at Sherwood Lodge where the Chief Constable, Steve Green discussed the latest crime statistics. Further presentations from his colleagues covered issues such as scientific police work, compulsory drug-testing of individuals arrested, Kick Start, and Safer Homes.

Structure of Meeting

4. It is proposed that the Chief Constable will present to the Committee on crime levels in the county area of Nottinghamshire (with an emphasis on burglaries) together with details of initiatives to tackle crime, target drug users, meet the PSA etc. At our previous meeting, the Chief Constable reported the start of a fall in a number of the crime statistics and said that he believed this trend would continue once various new initiatives began to take effect. A copy of the latest crime statistics across the Nottinghamshire Police Divisions is attached as Appendix A.

5. It is also hoped that Steve Green will be able to give his initial reaction to the Government's new 'Building Communities, Beating Crime' policy paper. Details of this policy are attached as Appendix B.
6. Cllr John Clarke, Chair of the Police Authority has also been invited to attend the meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

7. It is recommended that:

the Committee makes comments and asks questions on the presentation made by the Chief Constable, Steve Green.

Cllr Darrell Pulk

Chair of the Corporate Strategy and Coordination Select Committee