

WORK PROGRAMME

Purpose of the Report

1. To give Members an opportunity to consider the work programme for the Panel and to suggest further topics for inclusion (**see appendix A**).
2. To give further consideration to the process for considering the Commissioner's precept and budget proposals in the New Year.

Information and Advice

3. 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.
4. 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).

Precept and Budget

5. Members agreed last year to arrange an informal workshop to receive a briefing from the Commissioner and relevant officers on his precept proposals. The Panel received support from the host authority's Chief Finance Officer at this workshop. Members found this to be a useful approach although the timing of the workshop was felt to be too close to the formal Panel Budget meeting (this had been a result of limited officer and member availability).
6. As a result, when the schedule of Panel meetings for 2014/15 was agreed, Members were asked to hold two possible further dates (the morning of Friday 9 January 2015 and Friday 16 January 2015) for consideration of the Commissioner's precept proposals.
7. One possible approach would be to ask the Commissioner and relevant officers to attend on 9 January 2015 to give a briefing to Members and for the 16 January to be used for a Member only discussion (with finance support to both meetings requested from the host authority).
8. Another approach would be to establish a Member working group to meet on the two dates (with and without the Commissioner as above) and to feed back their recommendations to the formal Panel meeting on 2 February 2015.

9. The views of the Commissioner and his officers on the possible approaches are also welcome.
10. In order to assist Members' ongoing understanding of the relevant financial and budget issues, the Commissioner has also agreed to provide budget and efficiency programme updates to all future meetings of the Panel within his usual performance updates. This practice is found to be helpful by other Panels nationally and will commence from the January 2015 meeting (please see the Commissioner's Update report for further details of this proposal).

Other Options Considered

11. 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.
12. The other option for dealing with the precept and budget would be to consider it solely at the formal meeting on 2 February. However, Members welcomed the informal workshop approach piloted last year as an opportunity to gain a greater understanding of the wider context to the proposals.

Reasons for Recommendation/s

13. To enable the work programme to be developed further.
14. To agree the most helpful means of considering the Commissioner's precept proposals.

RECOMMENDATION/S

- 1) That the work programme be noted and updated in line with Members' suggestions as appropriate.
- 2) Members agree an approach for considering the Commissioner's precept proposals.

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 31 October 2014)

<u>Agenda Item</u>	<u>Brief Summary</u>
5 January 2015 – 2.00pm – County Hall	
Transforming Rehabilitation Update	Update report on the implementation of the new Transforming Rehabilitation approach.
Public Engagement	Feedback from the Panel's task and finish group looking at how the Panel and the Commissioner can best engage the public.
Children's Safeguarding issues	An update on Operation Daybreak (investigation of historical child abuse allegations) and other relevant issues.
Victims' Services – Code of Practice for Victims and Victims Strategy	Update on Nottinghamshire's role as an 'early implementer' in the new national approach and feedback from November 2014 inspection by Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary.
Police and Crime Commissioner's update, including Budget and Efficiency Programme update and 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.
Specific focus on two of the Police and Crime Plan Strategic Priority Themes.	<p>Panel to consider specific elements of the following Priority Themes:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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 and progress with information-sharing with relevant partners – e.g. Crown Prosecution Service (including Nottinghamshire input into national initiatives)• Priority Theme 1 - 'Protect, support and respond to victims, witnesses and vulnerable people' – to include Code of Practice for Victims and Victims Strategy.

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2 February 2015 – 2.00pm – County Hall	
Police and Crime Plan	Annual Refresh
Complaints update	Regular update on any complaints received against the Police and Crime Commissioner or Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner.
Proposed Precept and budget 2015/16	To consider the Commissioner's proposed budget and Council Tax precept.
Police and Crime Commissioner's update, including Budget and Efficiency Programme update and 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.
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.
Children's Safeguarding issues	An update on Operation Daybreak (investigation of historical child abuse allegations) and other relevant issues.
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 and 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.
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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.	The Panel will review its membership to see whether any actions are required in order to meet the requirements for:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the membership to represent all parts of the

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	<p>police force area and be politically balanced; and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • members to have the skills, knowledge and experience necessary.
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