<u>7 JUNE 2021</u>

WORK PROGRAMME

Purpose of the Report

- 1. To give Members an opportunity to consider the work programme for the Panel and suggest further topics for inclusion (see Appendix A).
- 2. To consider other related matters.

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 Chief Executive of the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC).
- 4. Discussions take place with the Chair and Vice-Chair and the OPCC to schedule future agenda items as appropriate. Suggestions about future agenda items are welcome from Members and the PCC at any time.

Regional Police and Crime Panel Network

- 5. At the Panel meeting on 28 April 2014, the Panel agreed to subscribe to a regional network (which has been established by Frontline Consulting) for 2014/15. The Panel has agreed to renew the subscription each subsequent year.
- 6. The annual subscription is due for renewal and the price of £400 is the same as 2020/21.
- 7. The subscription offers the following benefits:
 - Two regional meetings each year at which the Chairman or Vice-Chairman and support officer (substitutes allowable) of each Panel share information and experience, to problem-solve and to collaborate as appropriate; with agendas devised by the participants, including a regional update based on hot topics and the discussion of potential solutions to difficult situations experienced by the five local authorities in the region.
 - A helpline facility (by telephone or email) supported by Dave Burn, Frontline Consulting's Lead on Policing and Crime, to answer queries and provide advice.
 - A website <u>www.pcps-direct.net</u>, which all PCP members and support officers can sign up to for free, to share their experiences and good practice, including an information section. This offers 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.

- A quarterly newsletter to highlight key topics and links to associated articles.
- A 10% discount on any learning and development sessions that PCPs might want to engage Frontline Consulting to deliver.
- 8. The Panel has been represented at each of the regional network meetings held since 2014 and officers and members have continued to find the opportunity to network across the region very beneficial.

Other Options Considered

9. All Members of the Panel are welcome to suggest items for possible inclusion in the work programme.

Reasons for Recommendation/s

10. To enable the work programme to be developed further.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1) That the work programme be updated in line with Members' suggestions as appropriate.

Background Papers and Published Documents

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

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