

## **NOTTINGHAMSHIRE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL**

**1 APRIL 2019**

### **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**).

#### **Information and Advice**

2. 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).
3. The work programme is updated to include specific focus on each of the Strategic Priority Themes included in the Police and Crime Plan at each meeting of the Panel.
4. The schedule for future meetings has been updated in line with the revised Strategic Themes within the new Police and Crime Plan 2018-21.
5. 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.

#### **Serious Violence Strategy Engagement Event**

6. The Chair, Councillor David Ellis and Suma Harding attended the above event at the East Midlands Conference Centre on 28<sup>th</sup> February 2019. The attendees are invited to feedback to the Panel their experience of the event.

#### **East Midlands Police and Crime Panel Regional Network**

7. The Chair and Keith Ford were due to attend the next meeting of the network on 27<sup>th</sup> March 2019. The attendees are invited to feedback to the Panel their experience of the meeting.

#### **Commissioner's Update Report – Research Project**

8. The Panel has expressed its frustration at the content and format of the information presented in the Commissioner's Update Report. As a result it is proposed that Frontline Consulting be asked to undertake a research project involving all stakeholders to establish a way forward. Subject to costs, it is proposed that this project be set up after the local elections (May 2019) and the election of the Police and Crime Commissioner (May 2020) have taken place.

## **Frontline - Police and Crime Panel Regional Network**

9. 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 Panel has agreed to renew the subscription each subsequent year.
10. The annual subscription is due for renewal and the price remains at the original price of £500 per Police and Crime Panel.
11. The subscription offers the following benefits:-
  - Two regional meetings each year at which the Chairman, 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 and 'hot topics' of challenges to address across the five Force areas.
  - A 'helpline' facility (by telephone, e-mail and online) supported by Dave Burn, Frontline Consulting's Lead on Policing and Crime, to answer queries and provide advice.
  - A website [www.pcps-direct.net](http://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. 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.

In addition:-

- A £100 saving for the annual PCP conference.
  - a 10% discount on any learning and development sessions that PCPs might want to engage Frontline Consulting to deliver.
12. 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.

## **Budget Efficiencies Workshop**

13. The Commissioner intends to organise a workshop for Panel members to discuss budget efficiency options for the next financial year, 2020/21.

## **Other Options Considered**

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

## **Reasons for Recommendation/s**

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

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 1) That the work programme be updated in line with Members' suggestions as appropriate.
- 2) That colleagues feed back to the Panel their experiences following attendance at the Serious Violence Strategy Engagement Event and the East Midlands Police and Crime Panel Regional Network.
- 3) That subject to costs, the Panel approve the engagement of Frontline Consulting to set up a research project involving all stakeholders to establish a way forward regarding the content and format of the information presented in the Commissioner's Update Report.
- 4) That the Panel subscribes to the Regional PCP network for 2019/20 at a cost of £500.

## Background Papers and Published Documents

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

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