

## **NOTTINGHAMSHIRE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL**

**29 JUNE 2017**

### **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 seek Members' approval to continue the subscription to the regional PCP network.

#### **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. The work programme is updated to include specific focus on each of the seven Strategic Priority Themes included in the Police and Crime Plan at each meeting of the Panel. Members' views are welcomed on the initial suggested updated cycle of Priority Themes included within the work programme.
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.

#### **Confirmation of Panel Meeting Dates**

6. Further to discussions at the last Panel meeting, the dates of future Panel meetings can now be confirmed as:-
  - Monday 18 September 2017 – 2pm
  - Monday 27 November 2017 – 2pm
  - Wednesday 7 February 2018 – 10am
  - Monday 23 April 2018 – 2pm
  - Monday 4 June 2018 – 2pm

As usual, the Panel meetings will be preceded by a half hour Members' pre-meeting.

The following dates are proposed for the two Budget Workshops:-

- Budget Workshop with PCC - Friday 26 January 2018 – 10am

- Budget Workshop with Chief Finance Officer - Friday 2 February 2018 – 10am

## **Performance Framework Workshop**

7. Further to discussions at the last meeting about the difficulties faced in comparing performance in light of changing definitions, recording practices and Home Office guidance, the Force is currently working with community safety partners to review the performance framework in order to make it more fit for purpose. The OPCC has suggested that this would be a suitable topic for a workshop with the Panel in October 2017, linking in with the annual strategic assessment process and the findings of a forthcoming new residents' survey. Members' views are sought on this suggestion.

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

8. 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 agreed to renew the subscription for 2016/17 at the 1 February 2016 meeting.
9. The annual subscription is due for renewal and the price remains at the original price of £500 per Police and Crime Panel.
10. 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 Tim Young, 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: 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; and
    - an Exchange section, offering scope for you to network with each other across PCPs by setting up personal circles or engaging in broader

networks by theme, role, activity or Force area. One of the Networks is Ask Tim, where you can post your queries.

In addition:-

- A free place at the annual PCP conference on 6 November 2017 at Warwick Conference Centre (equivalent to a £99 discount). The Panel also obtained a number of free places at the national PCP conferences arranged by Frontline Consulting in October 2014 and July 2015, in return for hosting the events.
  - a 10% discount on any learning and development sessions that PCPs might want to engage Frontline Consulting to deliver.
11. The Panel was represented at each of the regional network meetings in 2014, 2015 and 2016 and the recent meeting held on 2 March 2017.
12. Officers and Members have continued to find the opportunity to network across the region very beneficial.

### **Forthcoming National PCP Events**

13. Members are reminded of the forthcoming national events for which the PCP can obtain places:-
- a. Local Government Association PCP Workshop - London – 12 July 2017
  - b. National PCP Conference – Warwick University – 6 November 2017
14. Further details will follow for both events but at this stage Members are invited to confirm if they would like to attend.

### **Induction for new PCP Members**

15. We are keen to offer a brief induction session for Members who are new to the PCP.
16. The recent Power Check review of PCPs underline the benefits of such sessions and all new Members are encouraged to contact the Panel's support officers to arrange this. This could be provided on a joint or individual basis, subject to Members' preferences and availability.

### **Other Options Considered**

17. All Members of the Panel are able to suggest items for possible inclusion in the work programme.
18. Members had previously raised the possibility of the five Panels in the region arranging regional networking meetings themselves. However it is felt that the £500 cost of the subscription offers good value for money as well as the opportunity to utilise Frontline Consulting's knowledge of the national context

(the Panel continues to benefit from the research, guidance and briefing notes produced by Frontline Consulting).

### **Reasons for Recommendation/s**

19. To enable:-

- a. the work programme to be developed further;
- b. the difficulties in performance monitoring to be addressed;
- c. the Panel to continue to receive the benefits offered by the subscription to the regional PCP network;
- d. places to be obtained at forthcoming national events;
- e. appropriate induction support to be offered.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 1) That the work programme be updated in line with Members' suggestions as appropriate.
- 2) That Members consider the OPCC's proposal to arrange a Performance Framework workshop in October 2017.
- 3) That the Panel subscribes to the regional PCP network for 2017/18 at a cost of £500.
- 4) That Members contact Keith Ford / Peter Barker if they would like to attend the LGA workshop on 12 July or the National Conference on 6<sup>th</sup> November.
- 5) That New Members contact Keith Ford / Peter Barker to arrange an induction session.

### **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 15 June 2017)**

<b><u>Agenda Item</u></b>	<b><u>Brief Summary</u></b>
<b>18 September 2017 – 2.00pm</b>	
Police Complaints Process	Update on the implications of the Police and Crime Bill in relation to specific issue of how Police complaints are dealt with (issue raised at November 2016 Panel meeting).
Police and Crime Commissioner's update, (including Budget and Efficiency Programme update, 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.
Specific focus on one of the Police and Crime Plan Strategic Priority Themes.	Panel to focus on a specific Priority Theme 4 – Reduce the impact of drugs and alcohol on levels of crime and anti-social behaviour
Police and Crime Commissioner's Annual Report	Panel to consider and make recommendations as appropriate.
<b>27 November 2017 – 2.00pm</b>	
Police and Crime Commissioner's update, (including update on PEEL Effectiveness inspection recommendations, Budget and Efficiency Programme update, 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.
Specific focus on one of the Police and Crime Plan Strategic Priority Themes.	Panel to focus on a specific Priority Theme 7 – Spending your money wisely
<b>7 February 2018 – 10.00am</b>	
Proposed Precept and Budget 2018/19	To consider the Commissioner's proposed Council Tax precept.
Police and Crime Plan 2014-18 Delivery Plan Refresh	To seek the Panel's views on the draft refreshed Police and Crime Plan Delivery Plan.
Police and Crime Commissioner's update, (including Budget and Efficiency	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

<b><u>Agenda Item</u></b>	<b><u>Brief Summary</u></b>
Programme update, details of decisions taken and overview of Force Performance).	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.
Specific focus on one of the Police and Crime Plan Strategic Priority Themes.	Panel to focus on a specific Priority Theme 1 – Protect, support and respond to victims, witnesses and vulnerable people.
<b>23 April 2018 – 2.00pm</b>	
Independent Member recruitment	To consider the issue of independent member recruitment following the decision of the Panel on 24 April 2017.
Police and Crime Commissioner's update, including Budget and Efficiency Programme update, 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.
Specific focus on one of the Police and Crime Plan Strategic Priority Themes.	Panel to focus on a specific Priority Theme 2 – Improve the efficiency, accessibility and effectiveness of the criminal justice process.
<b>4 June 2018 – 2.00pm</b>	
Appointment of Chairman and Vice-Chairman	To appoint the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Panel for the 2018/19 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"> <li>the membership to represent all parts of the police force area and be politically balanced; and</li> <li>members to have the skills, knowledge and experience necessary.</li> </ul>
Police and Crime Commissioner's update, including Budget and Efficiency Programme update, 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.
Specific focus on one of the Police and Crime Plan Strategic Priority Themes.	Panel to focus on a specific Priority Theme 6 – Prevention, early intervention and reduction in reoffending.