

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL

1 JUNE 2020

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. 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.
5. The schedule for future meetings has been updated in line with the revised Strategic Themes within the refreshed Police and Crime Plan.
6. 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

7. 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.
8. The annual subscription is due for renewal and the price has been reduced from the original price of £500 per Police and Crime Panel to £400 for this year, albeit minus the previously offered free place at the national Conference.
9. The subscription continues to offer 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 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, 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.
 - a 10% discount on any learning and development sessions that PCPs might want to engage Frontline Consulting to deliver.
10. 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.

Domestic Violence Update

11. Members had previously requested an update item on Domestic Violence, to include input from the Force, the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner and local provider organisations, be arranged for the Panel meeting of 30 March 2020.
12. Members will be aware that this meeting had to be cancelled due to the Coronavirus social distancing restrictions. This item has been initially rescheduled to the 7 September meeting, although this will be reviewed nearer the time in line with the latest Government guidance.

Police and Crime Panel Annual Report

13. Further to discussions at the Panel awareness-raising sessions in September and October 2019 it has been agreed that an Annual Report should be produced for the first time, highlighting the activities undertaken by the Panel during 2019-20.
14. The sub-group established at the last Panel meeting met for the first time on 9 March to look at possible areas of focus for the Annual Report. Work will continue ahead of the draft version being submitted to the September 2020 meeting for approval. This will then be publicised as appropriate.

Frontline National PCP Conference – 23-24 November 2020 – Warwick Conference Centre

15. The draft programme for the next Annual Conference is attached as **Appendix B**. At this stage it is hoped that the Conference will still go ahead although this will obviously be subject to the existing Covid-19 social distancing restrictions having been lifted by that point.
16. These events have proven very successful in the past and offer opportunities to network, share national best practice, receive updates on key issues and hear talks from key speakers. Members are encouraged to attend this event, with funding available to cover costs and expenses as appropriate.

Dates of Future Meetings – 2020-21 Municipal Year

17. Further to discussions at the last Panel meeting, it was subsequently clarified that the Frontline National PCP Conference will take place on Tuesday 24 November (with registration and dinner optional on the evening of the 23 November). This therefore enables the Panel to still meet on Monday 23 November as originally planned.

18. The dates of future Panel meetings are therefore now confirmed as follows:-

Monday 7 September 2020	2.00pm
Monday 23 November 2020	2.00pm
Friday 22 January 2021 (workshop)	10.30am
Friday 29 January 2021 (workshop)	10.30am
Thursday 4 February 2021	2.00pm
Monday 29 March 2021	2.00pm
Monday 7 June 2021 (Annual Meeting)	2.00pm

19. If need be, the Panel will continue to meet remotely, as per today's meeting, in line with the new rules contained within the Coronavirus Act 2020.

Other Options Considered

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

21. The Panel could choose not to renew its subscription to the Regional Network but this would result in reduced opportunities to share best practice and learning.

Reasons for Recommendation/s

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

23. To enable the Panel to continue share best practice and learning from regional and national events and sources.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1) That the work programme be updated in line with Members' suggestions as appropriate.
- 2) That the subscription to the Regional Police and Crime Panel Network be renewed for the 2020-21 financial year at a reduced cost of £400.
- 3) That any Panel members wishing to attend the national PCP Conference at Warwick Conference Centre contact Keith Ford / Peter Barker to confirm their place.

Background Papers and Published Documents

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

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