

POLICE AND CRIME PANEL

Meeting to be held on 31st July 2012

A PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS FOR THE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL

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Executive Summary

This report sets out a proposed programme of meetings for consideration by the Police and Crime Panel for Lancashire.

Recommendation

The Panel is asked to agree a programme of future meetings.

Background and Advice

It is for the Police and Crime Panel to determine its own cycle of meetings and to appoint any sub-committees or task groups as may be deemed necessary in order to carry out the functions of the Panel. It has been agreed by each constituent Council that each year following the May local elections the Panel membership will be appointed for a 12 month period with appointments being confirmed at each respective Annual General Meeting in order to enable any annual adjustment to the balance of the Panel arising from the Council elections.

A proposed programme of meetings for 2012/13 together with a suggested Work Plan for the Panel is set out below. The suggested work programme follows the statutory remit and functions of the Panel and the expected activities it will have to undertake in its first year of operation. The suggested meeting dates have been selected to meet required statutory deadlines and processes, and particularly in relation to the Panel's function in respect of the PCCs budget and proposed precept leave very limited scope for adjustment.

Date	Potential issues to be considered at individual meetings
Late September 2012 (Selection Panel) Date/time to be arranged	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To consider the appointment of an additional two independent co-opted members and make recommendations to the Panel.• PCC complaints process?
1 st October 2012 10am County Hall, Preston	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To formally appoint the additional two co-opted members• Briefing for PCP Members

Date	Potential issues to be considered at individual meetings
w/c 26 th November 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To note the appointment of the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) • Consider any additional appointments which may be proposed eg Deputy PCC.
w/c 17 th December 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initial report on proposed PCC precept • Consideration of the Panel's work plan
w/c 4 February 2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Final meeting in connection with the PCC budget • Final report on proposed PCC precept.
w/c 4 th March 2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Police and Crime Plan • Opportunity to meet with PCC to discuss performance – to 31 Dec 2012.
w/c 8 th July 2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual General Meeting • Opportunity to meet with PCC to discuss performance – to Mar 2013

As the county Council is the lead/host Authority for the Police and Crime Panel it arrangements are in hand for all the above meetings to be held at County Hall, Preston though the Panel may wish to consider having some future meetings at venues across the Lancashire Police Force Area.

The Police and Crime Panel may be required to hold additional meetings in the following circumstances.

1. If the PCC chooses to appoint a new Chief Constable, Chief Executive, Chief Finance Officer or Deputy PCC
2. The PCC wishes to remove the current Chief Constable
3. The PCC varies the Police and Crime Plan or proposes to issue a new Plan
4. The Panel needs to consider any complaints against the PCC that are not of a criminal nature.
5. The Panel needs to appoint an acting PCC if the current PCC is incapacitated, suspended or resigns.

Consultations

Implications:

This item has the following implications, as indicated:

Risk management

The provision of an independent Police and Crime Panel for Lancashire is in accordance with the provisions of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011.

Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 List of Background Papers

Paper	Date	Contact/Directorate/Tel
LCC Calendar of meetings		M Neville, Office of the Chief executive 01772 533431
Potential work plan of the Police and Crime Panel		

Reason for inclusion in Part II, if appropriate N/A