

Police and Crime Panel

Meeting to be held on 12 February 2013

Police and Crime Commissioner's Police and Crime Plan 2013-2018

(Appendix 'A' refers)

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Executive Summary

The Police and Crime Commissioner must issue a Police and Crime Plan for the police force area by 31st March 2013. Before issuing his Police and Crime Plan, the Commissioner must send the draft Plan to the Police and Crime Panel.

The Panel must review the draft Police and Crime Plan and make a report or recommendations on the draft Plan to the Commissioner. The Panel does not have a power of veto in respect of the plan.

Recommendations

The Police and Crime Panel is asked to

- (a) consider the attached draft Police and Crime Plan,
- (b) consider if it wishes to make a report or recommendations on the draft Plan to the Commissioner, and
- (c) forward its report/recommendations to the Commissioner.

Background and Advice

The Commissioner's Police and Crime Plan is currently being prepared. Consultation on the draft Plan is ongoing with a number of partners, in addition to the Panel, and meetings with some partners, including the Ministry of Justice, have taken place this week.

The latest draft of the Plan is set out at Appendix 'A'. The Panel is asked to consider the draft Plan, and consider if it wishes to make a report or recommendations on the draft Plan to the Commissioner. There will be opportunity for views and recommendations to be forwarded to the Commissioner after the Panel's Meeting.

There is a further meeting on 13th March where the Panel can consider its position and make final representations.

Statutory Requirements

Under Section 5 of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011, the Police and Crime Commissioner must issue a Police and Crime Plan for the police force area as soon as practicable after taking office, but in any event, by the end of the financial year in which the election is held.

Before issuing his Police and Crime Plan, the Commissioner must send the draft Plan to the Police and Crime Panel. The Panel must

- (a) review the draft Police and Crime Plan, and
- (b) make a report or recommendations on the draft Plan to the Commissioner.

The Commissioner must have regard to any report or recommendations made by the Panel in relation to the draft Plan, give the Panel a response to its report or recommendations, and publish his response.

A detailed briefing paper on the planning process was provided to the Panel at its meeting on 17 December 2012.

Consultations

The Development of the Plan has been informed by wide ranging consultation which, aside from the Police and Crime Panel, has included

- Conversations with residents at Roadshow events across the County
- Results from telephone surveys and online surveys on the PCC web site
- Results from Victim and Witness consultations
- Outcomes of the Safer Future Communities Network Survey and Session Work
- Police and Community Safety performance information
- Community Safety Partnerships Strategic Assessments and Plans
- The Lancashire Criminal Justice Board's strategic plans
- Inspection reports from Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary
- The national Strategic Policing Requirement.

Equality and Diversity

The Commissioner has used information from partners as highlighted above together with a statistically robust and representative sample of respondents across the county. Survey interviews were split across each of the fourteen districts. Additional quotas were applied to age, gender, ethnicity and disability to provide individual samples robust enough to be statistically analysed and compared with other demographic groups, with the quotas for sampling based on the 2011 Census data for Lancashire

Implications:

This item has the following implications, as indicated:

Risk Management and Legal Implications

The report is submitted in accordance with the provisions of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011. Further details of the relevant provisions including the role of the Panel are included above under Background and Advice.

The Commissioner must issue the Police and Crime Plan by 31 March 2012.

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

Paper	Date	Contact
None		