

MINUTES of a meeting of the **DERBYSHIRE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL** held on 16 November 2017 at County Hall, Matlock.

PRESENT

Councillor C Hart (in the Chair)

Councillors, B Atkins (Derbyshire County Council), C Dale (Bolsover District Council), G Hickton (Erewash Borough Council), J McCabe (High Peak Borough Council), J Lilley (NE Derbyshire District Council), B Murray-Carr (Bolsover District Council), J Orton (Amber Valley Borough Council), G Potter (Derby City Council), G Purdy (Derbyshire Dales District Council) and Dr S Handsley, K Jackson-Horner and V Newbury (Independent Member).

Derbyshire County Council officers also in attendance: E Wild (Legal Services) D Rose (Improvement and Scrutiny Officer) and I Walters (Democratic Services Officer).

H Dhindsa, Police and Crime Commissioner, K Gillott, Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner, D Peet, Chief Executive, Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner and Andrew Dale, Finance Officer, Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors J Frudd (Derbyshire County Council), C Ludlow (Chesterfield Borough Council) and R Coe (Derby City Council)

40/17 MINUTES RESOLVED that the minutes of the meetings of the Derbyshire Police and Crime Panel held on 14 September 2017.

41/17 POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER'S UPDATE REPORT
Hardyal Dhindsa, Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) for Derbyshire, gave an update on some of the areas of work that he had recently undertaken.

The Commissioner updated Panel Members in relation to community engagement work and focused particularly on The 'Listening to You' 2017/18 consultation which was launched on 1st August 2017 with 478 surveys completed so far. 33 public consultation events had been held since the last Police & Crime Panel in September and additionally, 186 hate crime surveys had been completed since the recent launch back in July 2017, 150 more since the last Panel. In relation to the #D383 pledge - 135 of 383 locations had now been visited (This equated to 35% of the total).

The 186 hate crime questionnaires completed between July and September 2017 had highlighted a number of Key Findings:- Several respondents had been targeted for more than one characteristic; the most common type of incident was verbal abuse/name calling, but more than 1 in 8 respondents had suffered a physical assault resulting in an injury; and overall, almost half of the respondents did not report the incident(s) to anyone, and only just over 1 in 5 reported it to the police.

The Fairer Funding Campaign had continued to fight for fairer police funding in Derbyshire.

Following the recent inspection, the efficiency report was published in November 2017 by Inspectorate of Constabulary and Fire & Rescue Services. The Efficiency inspection focused on the understanding of demand, prediction of work, resources needed and evidence based plans for the future. Two aspects of leadership were also assessed. How leaders were driving innovation and planning for the future with regards to force leadership. Derbyshire retained its overall grade as 'good'.

Details were given of a number of upcoming events.

Panel members were given the opportunity to ask questions and also made a number of comments and observations on the update, to which the Police and Crime Commissioner responded.

RESOLVED to note the update provided

42/17 POLICE & CRIME PLAN STRATEGIC PRIORITY 5 : WORKING WITH YOUNG PEOPLE INCLUDING THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN EITHER VICTIMS OF CRIME OR OFFENDERS, TO UNDERSTAND THEIR NEEDS AND PREVENT THEM BECOMING INVOLVED IN CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES

Members were informed of progress made against Strategic Priority 5 of the 2016-2021 Police & Crime Plan for Derbyshire. Strategic Priority Five dealt with young people, both as victims and offenders, and working with them to try and prevent/divert them away from the Criminal Justice System and supporting younger victims of crime. Over the past twelve months the PCC had worked on a number of engagement initiatives to better understand the priorities and concerns of younger people in Derbyshire. Highlights include:

- Working with the County Council and the Youth Takeover initiative the PCC had held a 'Youth Strategic Governance Board' meeting in October 2016. This was chaired by young people and included reports from the Force on issues that the young people had highlighted were of concern. Topics

ranged from Child Sexual Exploitation/Online grooming through to issues of Gun, Gangs & Knife Crime. Feedback from those involved was very positive and the young people chairing felt they had received the assurance they were looking for and at an appropriate level of detail. It was hoped that they would then be able to report back to their peers, through channels such as the Youth Council, and further disseminate what they had learned.

- The Commissioner had attended a number of events across the City and County as part of Operation Zao – an operation looking at the issues of Knife Crime.

- The PCC and the DPCC had been engaging with the Youth Justice Partnership Board to better understand how the work of the PCC could support the delivery of the Board's objectives. Work was still ongoing in this area. The OPCC had been invited to join the Youth Offending Service Management Board in the County which would strengthen this area of partnership working.

- Engagement with the University had continued with around 400 new students signing up for the Citizen Card that would enable them to prove their age in licensed premises without having to take valuable documents such as passports out with them. This was part of the wider Safe Night Out work had been previously reported to the Panel.

- Work had taken place to promote the work of CORE (Victim Services), and in particular the Got Your Back service that supported young victims of crime. The PCC had been involved in a video project in collaboration with the Got Your Back service which it was hoped will be launched later this month.

- The PCC had chosen Shirebrook Academy to launch the Hate Crime Survey for Derbyshire which would help further develop the provision of services to those who had been a victim of this type of crime.

- Whenever the PCC had been at an event young people had been encouraged to complete the Listening to You surveys which would helped the OPCC understand the issues that were important to communities and ensured that the Police and Crime Plan reflected these.

The PCC had also continued to develop the use of social media as a way to publicise the work of the OPCC and engage with communities. Traditionally social media had been seen as a tool that allowed engagement with a younger demographic, though it was not exclusively the case.

The PCC had, in conjunction with the Police and Students' Union at Derby University, supported an initiative called the Drinkaware CREW. Its aim was to target 18 – 24 year olds within licensed premises to raise awareness of vulnerability and promote safer drinking.

The Deputy PCC had met with the Strategic Director of Children's Services at DCC to discuss closer partnership working. In particular to forge a closer working relationship with schools so that PCC commissioning and grants were tailored to the needs of the schools and plug gaps rather than just assuming that the OPCC knew what schools wanted. We were also hoping for a greater focus on LAC's (Looked After Children) and to see how the Force could help the Local Authority in its role as corporate parent.

The PCC had agreed terms of reference for a Derby City Council Concordat Group to look at how that authority could reduce the number of LAC's entering the criminal justice system, with the next meeting likely to be in December. The DPCC would chair this group.

It was hoped over the coming years to be able to repeat the Youth Survey that was undertaken a few years ago to see if the priorities of young people have changed.

The PCC continued to fund the work of Safe and Sound as part of a co-commissioning arrangement with the City and County councils. This approach had been seen as something of a template for other areas of work where pooled resources were able to tackle issues against a backdrop of cuts and austerity.

As the festive season approached the PCC with the Force and other partners would look to repeat work from previous years highlighting issues of online safety and sexting. It was particularly important at this time of year as young people may be receiving new mobile phones or other online devices.

Safe and Sound in Derbyshire and Derby City were supporting a number of young people as victims of sexting, on line exploitation and cyber bullying and several VCSEs (CORE Victims services providers - <http://www.core-derbyshire.com/>) were working together, with Safer Neighbourhood Teams to promote personal safety and how to report/seek help. This included engagement specifically with schools and youth groups

A separate, but related work-stream, had been the PCC's involvement in the procurement of paediatric SARC (Sexual Assault Referral Centres). This work was being delivered through a partnership with NHS England and

the deputy PCC, representing the PCC, had been the principle PCC lead for the region on the procure of this service.

The PCC continued to fund a bespoke younger victims' service, not something that was widely available to young people across the country.

The support service for young victims of crime was about to be retendered, for delivery from 1st April 2018. It would have a greater emphasis on reaching those young people and their families in communities who did not engage with statutory organisations, looking at new ways to reach out. This service would remain free and available to everyone, regardless of whether they had reported to the police.

Between April and August 2017 238 young people were referred into the service. Violence (with or without injury) were the highest cause for referral followed by theft of bicycle. As expected the largest number of referral came from Derby City with a fairly even spread across the rest of the county. Victims were mostly aged between 11 and 16, though victims as young as 7 or under were referred. Most of the referrals were for young men.

Follow up work with those who had received a service was showing around a 97/98% satisfaction rate. Work was ongoing within the office to better understand and demonstrate the effectiveness and impact of victim services.

The Derbyshire PCC was a national lead PCC on a successful bid into the Police Transformation Fund. The funding would be used to continue to develop the collaborative work with Street Games and Sport England to identify the hallmarks of effectiveness for commissioning and delivering quality Youth Diversionary Activity. To date 26 PCCs had signed up to this project, work continued to encourage the other to come on board.

The PCC would be speaking at the national Crime Prevention and Sport Conference in December. This would be an opportunity to address over 100 people who are involved in sport, criminal justice and diversionary/prevention activities. Places at the event may still be available if Panel Members would like to attend.

On a local level the PCC continued to fund Sporting Futures for delivery in Derbyshire as part of a 3 year funding arrangement and had awarded a number of grants to projects across the County and City that offered diversionary activity to young people.

Panel members were given the opportunity to ask questions and also made a number of comments and observations on the update, to which the Police and Crime Commissioner responded.

RESOLVED to note the report on the progress against this Police and Crime Plan Objective

43/17 BUDGET MONITORING WORKING GROUP UPDATE Panel members were updated on the budget monitoring working group carried out by the PCC budget monitoring working group.

At the Panel meeting on 14 September 2017, members approved membership of the budget monitoring working group. The working group met on the 19 October and the meeting notes were appended to the Director of Legal Service's report. The working group would receive further information with regards to the budget of the PCC in the lead up to the pre-cept meeting in January 2018. Furthermore, the working group would seek to gain assurances that the PCC was managing budgets effectively.

RESOLVED That the Panel notes the meeting notes of the PCC budget monitoring working group.

44/17 PCP NATIONAL CONFERENCE UPDATE A number of Panel Members along with David Rose, Improvement and Scrutiny Officer had attended the recent conference. The conference had proved to be most interesting with a number of excellent presentations. Further reference had been made to the need for a National Body of PCPs and this was being moved forward with a view to a structure being in place by March 2018.

45/17 FORTHCOMING EVENTS The Regional Collaboration Conference was due to take place on 28 November 2017 and a number of Panel members had put their names forward.

46/17 DATE OF NEXT MEETING RESOLVED to note that the next meeting of the Derbyshire Police and Crime Panel would take place on Thursday 25 January 2018 at 11.00 am at County Hall, Matlock.