

POLICE AND CRIME PANEL**13th September 2018****REPORT OF THE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR DERBYSHIRE****IMPACT OF THE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONERS #D383
CAMPAIGN****1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

- 1.1 To provide the Police and Crime Panel with an update on the impact of the Police and Crime Commissioner's #D383 campaign

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 Upon election, the Police and Crime Commissioner, PCC, re-stated his commitment to be a PCC for all of Derbyshire – Urban, Suburban and Rural.
- 2.2 As part of this commitment the PCC set himself the challenge of visiting every city, town and village in Derbyshire. This means visiting all 383 locations over the course of his four years in office.
- 2.3 In order to track the progress of his challenge, the PCC adopted the social media hashtag #D383
- 2.4 On Saturday 25th June 2016 the PCC launched the tour at the South Derbyshire Festival of Leisure in Swadlincote.
- 2.5 To date the PCC has visited over 220 locations.
- 2.6 As part of the revised oversight and challenge of the Police and Crime Panel, the PCC has been asked to give an update on the progress and impact of the campaign.
- 2.7 The following specific areas have been asked to be addressed:
- i. What impact does the PCC believe #D383 is having and is it effective in increasing visibility?
 - ii. What are the themes, both positive and negative, coming out of the #D383 visits and is this causing you to refresh or revisit some of your priorities?
 - iii. How is the information taken from #D383 being used so as to give proactive reassurance to our rural communities?
 - iv. What do successful outcomes look like and how will they be measured?
- 2.8 This report accompanies a presentation that the PCC will give to the Panel addressing these points at its meeting on 13th September 2018.

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3. **IMPACT & VISIBILITY**

- 3.1 The role of PCC is unique due to the size of its constituency, locally this being the whole of the county of Derbyshire.
- 3.2 As an elected representative for such a large area it is important that the PCC is able to visit the many and varied communities that make up the County and hear their views and concerns.
- 3.3 Whilst developing an online presence is important, the PCC felt that face-to-face contact, especially with those who may have traditionally felt more isolated, or less engaged.
- 3.4 A key component to the tour has been trying to engage with existing events where the PCC is guaranteed an opportunity to meet with local residents – events have ranged from well-dressings to WI craft fairs.
- 3.5 Feedback from those the PCC has met has generally been very positive, and people have appreciated the fact that the PCC is getting out from behind a desk and going into communities to hear people's concerns in their communities.
- 3.6 Often issues are raised with the PCC at events, and this casework is brought back to the office and referrals are made to the appropriate areas of the Constabulary¹, or to partners.

4.0 **THEMES**

- 4.1 Between June 2016 and present day the PCC has undertaken 229 visits, meaning he has visited just under 60% of Derbyshire's towns and villages.
- 4.2 The following issues were raised with the PCC:

	Amber Valley	Bolsover	Chesterfield	Derby City	Derbyshire Dates	Erewash	High Peak	North East Derbyshire	South Derbyshire	Total
ASB	7	1	4	3	2	5	4	2		28
Budget/Precept		2			2				1	5
Burglary/Robbery/Theft	1		2		7				1	11
Contact & Response Times 101/999		2			5	1	1	2	1	12
Criminal Damage			1							1
Derbyshire Alert					2					2
Dog Fouling		1	1						1	3
Drinking/Drunk drivers		1								1
Drug Supply/Dealing	1	2	2	1		1				7

¹ The Policing Protocol Order 2011 prohibits the PCC from getting involved in operational matters to ensure the operational independence of the Chief Constable.

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Drug Taking	2	3	4		2			1	1	13
Estate - Police Building					1					1
Fly Tipping			1			2				2
Fracking		1				1				1
Fraud									1	1
General Quality of Service		1			1	4	2	3		11
Neighbourhood Watch							1			1
Noise and Nuisance					3					3
Off-roading				1					1	1
Parking	4	3	2	1	5	3	6	1	2	27
Police Complaint		1						1		2
Resource Allocation/Reduction		5			4	3	1	2		15
SNT updates & Attendance at Local Meetings	1	2		1	2	1	1	1		9
Speeding	4	6	2	1	7	6	2	6	8	42
Street Drinking		1				1				2
Traffic & Road Concerns (including cyclists and horses)	1				7	1	3		5	17
Travelling Communities						2				2
Wildlife Crimes					1					1

4.3 It is interesting to note that the top 3 issues, Speeding, ASB and Parking are all issues that are not the sole responsibility of the Police, rather a shared responsibility with local authority partners and as such all are issues that require strong commitment to partnership working to address. This further demonstrates the positive impact this initiative has in terms of raising issues not just for the Police but also partners.

4.4 It is possible to break-down the issues to a local authority level:

Area	Total Visits	Issues
Amber Valley	35	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drugs (use, supply, dealing) Burglary Theft Generally considered peaceful & nice area to live
Bolsover	20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Very few issues raised Greater SNT attendance at meetings Concerns about cuts to police resources
Chesterfield	13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ASB Criminal damage Dog fouling Drug taking

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fly tipping
Derby City	13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ASB
Derbyshire Dales	54	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Traffic • Greater SNT visibility • Burglary/theft • Response times • Generally quiet with good community spirit
Erewash	21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Street drinking • Traffic • Travelling communities • Generally happy
High Peak	19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No real issues raised • Quiet and peaceful place to live
North East Derbyshire	23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quality of service • Response times (101/999) • Police complaints
South Derbyshire	31	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Speeding

5.0 **IMPACT & SUCCESSES**

- 5.1 Whilst it is difficult to prove the impact of the programme, it is a practical demonstration of the Commissioner's manifesto commitment to being there for the whole of Derbyshire: Urban, suburban & rural
- 5.2 It is through the conversations the Commissioner has as part of the tour that he is able to gain the narrative to inform his support and challenge of the Chief Constable on those issues that matter to communities. A great example of this is how the tour has helped reinforce messages about importance of visibility by Derbyshire Constabulary as a whole – this correlates with concerns that the Police and Crime Panel have raised themselves.
- 5.3 A recurring theme is the importance of close partnership working between the OPCC, Force and Local Authority partners to tackle those frequently raised concerns i.e parking, speeding etc. It is through the #D383 tour that the Commissioner has been able to develop an evidence base to support, and challenge, partners.
- 5.4 An unexpected consequence has been the opportunity to discuss issues of funding and pressures on police resources on a one-to-one basis with people. Feedback from those who have discussed matters with the Commissioner have often commented on their greater understanding of the challenges and their support for the Commissioner's campaign for fairer funding settlement from the Government.
- 5.5 When reflecting on the tour the Commissioner believes that going out into communities and talking to people has undoubtedly informed the work on rural crime issues he has undertaken. This has included the support for the rural crime unit, working with colleagues in the NFU & and his work on the National Rural Crime Network, where he is a Board Member, and his allocation of additional resources for bespoke work on the national rural crime survey in

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Derbyshire.

6.0 **Recommendations**

- i That the report and the work that the PCC has undertaken on this objective be noted.

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