

Police and Crime Panels - Update

SUMMARY

- 1.1 The Cabinet Member for Planning, Environment and Public Protection is currently the Chair of Derbyshire's Police and Crime Panel (PCP). The Chair of the Neighbourhoods Overview and Scrutiny Board is also a representative for Derby city on this panel.
- 1.2 The Neighbourhoods Overview and Scrutiny Board has a responsibility as the statutory Crime and Disorder Committee. As such, following the appointment of the Police and Crime Commissioner in November, the city's representatives have been invited to give the Board an update on the Police and Crime Commissioner and PCP, and to answer any questions that the Board may have.

RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 To note the update.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 To ensure that the Board is aware of the new structural arrangements for national policing, strategic police decision-making, neighbourhood policing and policing accountability structures, and their scrutiny role in these new arrangements.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 4.1 The Police and Justice Act 2006 requires local authorities to establish a crime and disorder committee with powers to review or scrutinise decisions of responsible authorities of their crime and disorder functions. In Derby the scrutiny of crime and disorder was carried out under the auspices of the Scrutiny Management Commission until the establishment of the Safer Communities Commission in November 2010, and this responsibility has now been passed on to the Neighbourhoods Overview and Scrutiny Board as of May 2012. At the time of its establishment, this Board was given responsibility by the Council to:
 - a. Review or scrutinise the functions of Partnerships and Communities.
 - b. Act as the Crime and Disorder Committee under the Police and Justice Act 2006.

4.2 The Board has statutory powers to scrutinise the crime and disorder functions of responsible authorities. These include:

- Police,
- Police Authority
- Fire and Rescue Service
- Local Authority
- Probation
- Health Authority

This report has been approved by the following officers:

Legal officer	N/A
Financial officer	N/A
Human Resources officer	N/A
Service Director(s)	N/A
Other(s)	Phil O'Brien, Statutory Scrutiny Officer

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Background papers:	None
List of appendices:	Appendix 1 - Implications

IMPLICATIONS

Financial and Value for Money

- 1.1 None arising from this report.

Legal

- 2.1 None arising from this report.

Personnel

- 3.1 None arising from this report.

Equalities Impact

- 4.1 None arising from this report.

Health and Safety

- 5.1 None arising from this report.

Environmental Sustainability

- 6.1 None arising from this report.

Asset Management

- 7.1 None arising from this report.

Risk Management

- 8.1 None arising from this report.

Corporate objectives and priorities for change

- 9.1 This report contributes to the following Council objectives:
- Feeling safe and being safe
 - A strong community
 - Good health and well-being.

