



## **Durham Police and Crime Panel**

**17 September 2021**

### **Police and Crime Panel Work Programme update 2021/22**

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#### **Report of Helen Lynch, Head of Legal and Democratic Services Electoral division(s) affected:**

None

#### **Purpose of the Report**

- 1 To provide the Police and Crime Panel (PCP) with an update on its work programme for 2021/2022.

#### **Executive summary**

- 2 The report provides details of panel meetings dates, anticipated items and flexibility required within the panel's work programme to meet and deliver its responsibilities within the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011.

#### **Recommendation**

- 3 The Police and Crime Panel are asked to
  - (a) Note the updated work programme for 2021/22 and the flexibility it offers to respond to emerging issues.

## **Background**

- 4 At its meeting on 19<sup>th</sup> July 2021, the panel agreed its work programme for 2021/22. It was noted within this report that dates for the panel's meetings were to be confirmed and that an update report be presented to its next meeting.
- 5 Dates for PCP meetings during 2021/22 have been agreed and are scheduled to take place on
  - 17 September 2021, 2.00 p.m., Council Chamber, County Hall, Durham
  - 10 January 2022, 9.30 a.m., Council Chamber, County Hall, Durham
  - 3 February 2022, 9.30 a.m., Council Chamber, County Hall, Durham
  - 7 March 2022, 9.30 a.m., Council Chamber, County Hall, Durham

## **Work Programme 2021/22**

- 6 The Panel's rules of procedure state that the PCP will be responsible for setting its own work programme taking into account the priorities defined by the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) within the context of the Police and Crime Plan and Annual Report. The work programme must also include the functions described in the terms of reference for the panel.
- 7 The work programme will enable the PCP to plan and focus on how it will effectively provide challenge to the PCC and deliver its responsibilities within the context of the terms of reference and rules of procedure namely:
  - (a) Review and comment on the Draft Police and Crime Plan and Precept
  - (b) Reviewing the PCC's Annual Report
  - (c) Holding confirmation hearings following a proposed appointment by the PCC to the posts of Chief Constable, Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner, Chief Executive Officer and Chief Finance Officer within the Commissioner's Office.
- 8 In addition, the Panel's meetings have included the following areas as standard agenda items:
  - (a) Media Articles
  - (b) PCC Quarterly Performance Report
  - (c) PCC Commissioning Activity
  - (d) PCC Decisions
  - (e) HMICFRS Inspection Reports

- 9 The Panel can also establish 'Sub Committees and Task Groups' to undertake specific task-based work on issues it deems necessary in line with its remit.
- 10 Appendix 2 provides members with an updated work programme and dates of when items are scheduled to be considered at the panel's meetings during 2021/22. It is to note that engagement between the Panel's Chair, Vice Chair and secretariat will take place with the Office of the PCC to confirm agenda items prior to each meeting. In addition, the panel's work programme remains flexible to accommodate any additional items that are identified throughout the year.

### **Conclusion**

- 11 The Annual report provides Members with an overview of activity undertaken by the panel during 2020/21 and development of the panel's work programme for 2021/22.

### **Background papers**

- None

### **Other useful documents**

- None

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## **Appendix 1: Implications**

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### **Legal Implications**

The Panel's Annual Report includes Panel activity in accordance with the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 and requirements within the Home Office Grant Agreement 2020/21.

The Panel's work programme is to be delivered in accordance with the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011

### **Finance**

The Panel's Annual report includes panel support within the Home Office Grant Agreement and activity through precept consultation and consideration of the Acting PCVC's precept

### **Consultation**

The Panel's work programme includes precept consultation and consideration of the Acting PCVC's precept.

### **Equality and Diversity / Public Sector Equality Duty**

None

### **Climate Change**

None.

### **Human Rights**

None

### **Crime and Disorder**

This is a key focus of the role of the Police and Crime Commissioner and Police and Crime Panel. Activity within the Panel's Annual report and work programme aims to contribute to reducing crime and disorder within County Durham & Darlington.

### **Staffing**

None

### **Accommodation**

None

### **Risk**

None

### **Procurement**

None.

## Appendix 2: Durham Police and Crime Panel Annual Report 2021/22

Date & Time	Suggested Items for Work Programme
17 September 2021 2.p.m. Council Chamber, County Hall, Durham	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Media Articles</li> <li>● Draft Police and Crime Plan</li> <li>● PCC Performance Report</li> <li>● PCC Commissioning Activity</li> <li>● PCC Decisions</li> <li>● HMICFRS Inspection Reports</li> <li>● Complaints Update</li> </ul>
10 January 2022 9.30 a.m. Council Chamber, County Hall, Durham	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Media Articles</li> <li>● PCC Performance Report</li> <li>● PCC Commissioning Activity</li> <li>● PCC Decisions</li> <li>● HMICFRS Inspection Reports</li> <li>● Complaints Update</li> <li>● PCP Independent Co-opted Members</li> </ul>
3 February 2022 9.30 a.m. Council Chamber, County Hall, Durham	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Media Articles</li> <li>● PCC Proposed precept for 2022/23</li> <li>● PCC Performance report</li> <li>● PCC Commissioning Activity</li> <li>● PCC Decisions</li> <li>● HMICFRS Inspection Reports</li> <li>● Complaints Update</li> </ul>
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