

POLICE AND CRIME PANEL

Meeting to be held on 19 October 2016

Police & Crime Plan Performance Monitoring Report

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Purpose of this report is to provide Members of the Panel with an update on progress in delivering the current Police and Crime Plan (the Plan) for Lancashire 2013-2018 including a performance report in relation to the success measures contained within the Plan and a brief outline of other key commissioner activity.

This report covers the time period 7 June to 22 September 2016.

RECOMMENDATION

The Panel is asked to consider the report.

1. Background

- 1.1 The current Plan came into effect on the 15 March 2013 and sets out the priorities of the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) for policing and community safety across Lancashire. The Plan contains four police and crime priorities and sets out governance and accountability agreements.
- 1.2 Work on a new Police & Crime Plan for 2017/21 has taken place since the Commissioner's re-election in May and is being presented on this agenda.
- 1.3 Further to any recommendations made by the Panel, the new Plan will be launched as soon as is practicable after this meeting and, therefore this will in essence mean that this is the last performance report to be presented to the Panel highlighting progress in delivering the current Police and Crime Plan priorities.

2. Format of the Report

2.1. This report is presented in three sections as follows:

Part 1 – an update on progress for each of the objectives listed in the plan.

Part 2 – a quarter 2 performance monitoring report.

Part 3 – a brief outline of the PCC's key activity in relation to role and function not captured in parts 1 or 2 of this report.

3. Part 1– Update on Police and Crime Plan Priorities

(i) Panel Scrutiny

3.1. Representatives from the Office of Police and Crime Commissioner met with representatives of the Panel's Task and Finish Group on the 16 September 2016.

3.2. The purpose of the meeting was to consult with the Panel in relation to the Police and Crime Plan. A report in relation to the Police and Crime Plan is attached elsewhere on this Agenda.

(ii) Holding the Chief Constable to account

3.3. Since the last meeting of the Police and Crime Panel the Commissioner has held a Scrutiny Meeting on the 15 September 2016 whereby he holds the Chief Constable to account to ensure that the Constabulary support the delivery of the priorities detailed in the Police and Crime Plan and to meet all their statutory duties. The note of the meeting is attached at Appendix A. For completeness the relevant papers and minutes can be accessed via the website.

<http://lancashire-pcc.gov.uk/meetings-and-decisions/meetings-and-reports/strategic-scrutiny-meetings/>

(iii) Induction Training

3.4. At the request of the Police and Crime Panel officers from the OPCC attended an Induction Training event for new panel members on the 20 September 2016.

a) DEFEND FRONTLINE POLICING

(iv) Recruitment

Police Officers

3.5. The Commissioner welcomes 60 new officers joining the Constabulary at the Attestation ceremonies held in June 2016. Those recruited through UCLAN have now completed their training and have been posted to divisions. The remaining officers are nearing the end of their training and will be posted in divisions soon.

3.6. A further 100 officers are set to join by January 2017. 60 new recruits will start training on Monday 3 October 2016.

- 40 have been identified specially for Early Action (14 for East, 12 for South and 14 for West).
- 20 for Response (11 for East, 3 for South and 6 West)

3.7. The Recruitment Team are now undertaking the final recruitment checks for the 40 new Officers who will be appointed in January 2017.

3.8. Police Now - (graduate programme) Offers of appointment have been sent to 13 individuals for positions within Lancashire. They started their six week training programme with the Metropolitan Police on the 18 July 2016. In Lancashire, they will be posted to challenging areas in the following divisions: 4 to West; 3 to South and 6 to East.

3.9. The recruitment window for Constables wanting to transfer to Lancashire opened in January 2016. A total of 50 applications were received and 24 officers (17 white males, six white females and one BME female) were appointed at the end of May 2016. They were posted to the following divisions: ten to West; 13 to East and one to South.

Specials

3.10. 74 new Specials joined the Constabulary in April 2016. 51% of these were Female and 6.7% from a BME heritage. Of these 33 were UCLan students studying for the Foundation Degree in Policing.

3.11. The Constabulary's Recruitment Team is now undertaking the final recruitment checks for the 70 new Special Constables who will take up their roles in January 2017.

Police Community Support Officers

3.12. 56 new PCSOs joined the Constabulary in June 2016. 53% of these were Female and 2.2% from a BME heritage. No decisions have been made on when the next PCSO intake for 2016/17 will be but the Constabulary already has a reserve list of 23 ready to be progressed through to appointment once this has been decided.

Police Control Room Operators

3.13. Following a well-received recruitment information event, the recruitment window for 20 permanent PCROs opened on 16 September 2016 and closes on Monday 3 October. To date there have been 180 applications received. The first intake will be at the end of Jan 2017. This increase the establishment of the Control Room to 295.

Police Staff

3.14. The recruitment of Police Staff continues and the Constabulary has now implemented a fully online recruitment system which enhances the candidate experience by allowing them to track their application and book their own interview/assessment slot

(v) ICT Projects

3.15. The roll out new modern police ICT equipment was a key part of the Police and Crime Plan set by the Police and Crime Commissioner in his promise to protect the frontline, and to ensure visibility of officers. The plan included a strategy to maximise the potential benefits that technology can bring.

3.16. The Panel will recall that in September 2015 Lancashire Constabulary started the roll out of over 2,300 Samsung Galaxy Note 4 Smartphones, to replace the old redundant PDA devices. The cost of the project was a little under £5 million.

3.17. The Smartphone has enhanced capabilities which allow officers to become more effective, efficient and visible to the public.

3.18. Each device allows officers direct access to the Police National Computer, local intelligence, incident logs, ability to input forms and statements from the field, as well as access to taking evidential photographs, email, telephone and internet.

3.19. The roll out of this technology is now mainstream and the Commissioner is interested to learn how this investment has increased visibility and productivity.

Visibility

3.20. Samsung Smartphone devices were rolled out over a period of three months, finishing in December 2015. The Samsung smartphones were personal issue to officers, so each frontline uniformed officer received a device.

3.21. As a result it is possible to attribute any changes in police visibility during this period to the introduction of the smartphones. It can be evidenced using the automatic resource location systems that there has been a very clear increase in the amount of time that officers spent out of the station in the month of December. This is circa 7000 extra officer hours spent out of the police station and in local areas.

Productivity

3.22. The introduction of new technology in Lancashire Constabulary has transformed how the organisation undertakes its daily business. The ability to directly input forms, create digital statements, and access data while out of the station has created a far more efficient and productive workforce.

3.23. By way of example

- there has been a shift from paper 'stop and search' forms to digital forms created on the Samsung Smartphone. This ability to create the form on the device prevents multiple entries into force data systems streamlining the process.
- each officer has access to a digital camera which date and time stamps a photograph for evidential purposes. Prior to the introduction of the smartphones officers were required to locate the station digital camera and then upload the images, the ability for each officer to take their own photograph and upload the image not only saves time and petrol in obtaining the station camera, it also increases the evidential prospects of each file.
- There has been a visible reduction in the radio transmissions recorded by officers from November and December when the Samsung Smartphones were introduced. The reduction in radio transmissions from July 2015 to March 2016 is 10%. This reduction in radio transmissions has allowed the communications room to remove an enquiry channel and free up two members of staff. The reduction in radio traffic is due to the ability for officers to conduct their own enquiries and not rely on the communication room for information.
- The number of digital statements taken using a Samsung smartphone has continued to increase. There is also a move towards the digital case file and the ability to upload these

statements from the scene to the case and custody system further increasing efficiency.

- Between May and June, 3,693 recordings were made using body worn video camera, which demonstrates how valuable the kit has become. They have been shown to provide crucial evidence in domestic violence incidents, as well as reduce the potential for complaints against police with footage of the incident viewable for review by supervisors.

(vi) Citizens in Policing (CiP)

3.24. As the Panel is aware, Lancashire is part of the national Citizens in Policing programme, which extends the opportunities for volunteering in policing through the Special Constabulary, Volunteer Police Cadets, Police Support Volunteers, Community Volunteers and Watch schemes. Volunteers make a crucial contribution to our communities, improving engagement with the police, increasing understanding and building co-operation and trust. This in turn helps to make Lancashire a better place to live and work. The Police and Crime Commissioner maintains the CiP Action Plan through the CiP Programme Board.

Volunteer Police Cadets

3.25. As at the 31 August 2016 there are 400 volunteer police cadets (VPC) across the county. The ambition is to increase the cadet number across the Constabulary to 650 by the end of 2016.

Special Constables

3.26. As at the 31 August 2016 there are 488 Special Constables across the county. The ambition is to recruit 70 Special Constables (SC) every quarter which following a step up model would potentially deliver 650 SC by January 2017.

B) PROTECT VULNERABLE PEOPLE

(i) Domestic Abuse

3.27. The Commissioner has committed additional funding of £54,000 to Victim Support to provide a domestic abuse support worker linked to the LCC MASH to provide support for victims of domestic abuse identified as being at standard risk.

3.28. The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner has been working with Lancashire County Council to incorporate the re-commissioning of domestic abuse services into the Commissioner's re-commissioning of victim services. The Commissioner is acting as the lead commissioner for the Domestic Abuse element of the service and is looking to secure funding contributions from other partners. LCC have confirmed their funding contribution of £300,00 annually for the next three financial years.

3.29. The Commissioner has confirmed the provision of a further £20,000 to the Domestic Homicide Review (DHR) Fund to assist local Community Safety Partnerships in the event of a DHR being required. The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner is coordinating a review of DHRs and to develop a protocol and procedure to ensure that recommendations from reviews are shared with all relevant partners and are put into place.

The Commissioner has funded a part-time post in partnership with Blackburn with Darwen Council to carry out this work and will report to Chief Executives early in 2017.

3.30. The Commissioner has established a Grant Fund of £20,000 to support the work of Street Pastors, Street Angels and Similar Organisations which is now open for applications.

3.31. Following discussions with Lancashire County Council, the Commissioner is now responsible for the joint commissioning of domestic abuse services across Lancashire 12 from April 2017. This includes the provision of Independent Domestic Violence Adviser (IDVA). Lancashire County Council will retain the responsibility for women and children refuges.

C) TACKLE CRIME AND REDUCE RE-OFFENDING

Criminal Justice

3.32. The Commissioner is now vice chair of the LCJB and is working with the board to develop a new criminal justice strategy.

3.33. The office have attended and received updates in a number of other Criminal Justice areas:

3.34. In view of some slippage in the efficiency of trials being resolved at first hearing the Justice Delivery Group have refreshed an action plan and continues to monitor the efficient and effectiveness of trials and better case management. As a result the Commissioner is confident that this will address this slippage.

3.35. The last quarter has seen a further dip sample of between 10 and 12 out of court disposal cases whereby conditional cautions and alternative disposals had been given. The Commissioner is reassured to note that in cases where this method has been used inappropriately that supportive feedback is provided to the officers and the office continue to work with relevant disciplines in the Constabulary to see an increase in the referral pathway to changing behaviour to steer individuals away from a criminal future eg perpetrator scheme for Domestic Violence, anger management and most importantly engaging in Restorative Justice processes.

Reducing Re-offending

3.36. Through the Reducing and re-offending meeting research has been carried out by the Community Rehabilitation Company (CRC) with a view to mapping out the schemes that are in place for reducing reoffending across Lancashire. Progress will be monitored through the regular meetings with the CRC.

Child Sexual Exploitation

3.37. In progressing with the best practice emerging from the Multi Agency Taxi meeting the office have met with representatives from the Safeguarding Board (Children and Adults) to discuss continuing with the education into councils in respect of the issuing, renewing and revoking of licences. Training will commence shortly in this regard.

Funding

3.38. The Commissioner has had the opportunity since the last Panel meeting to visit some of the organisations that have received funding via the Community Safety Partnerships in respect of schemes to support the Tackling Crime and Re-offending Portfolio. Visits have taken place at AFC Fylde's Positive Pathways Scheme, Community Solutions both organisations deal with reducing re-offending schemes to targeted groups. In addition the Commissioner has also attended the Military Summer School at Burnley an initiative with Burnley Borough which was centred on school holiday activities for engagement with children and their families in the Stoops Estate. This has been a great success.

CCTV

3.39. As previously reported the CCTV hub implementation is nearing its launch date with the East Lancashire hub sited at King George's Hall housing CCTV provision for Blackburn, Burnley, Pendle, Hyndburn and Preston. The office and the project management team are concentrating on the final detail of the standard operating procedures and the Service Level Agreement.

Modern Slavery

3.40. Following the last update whereby the Commissioner informed the panel that he had funded one post to form part of a dedicated team and a co-ordinator post to work within Force Intelligence. This team continue to perform sterling work in connection to the increased levels of intelligence captured and training staff across Lancashire to recognise the signs, produce the intelligence and be in a position to act on it. The Commissioner was also represented at the National Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking in London in July.

3.41. This meeting is chaired by the West Yorkshire Police and Crime Commissioner Mark Burns Williamson and is currently monitoring the Modern Slavery inspection progress of Kevin Hyland (Anti Slavery Minister). The National Police Chief's Council advised the meeting that there would be a substantial bid to boost resources in this regard across the country including analysts and researchers to continue to build on the intelligence. In addition, the Commissioner has met with key individuals from Hope for Justice, a lead agency in modern slavery, to discuss how to enhance the Lancashire partnership.

Prevent

3.42. The Contest Board met in July 2016 and those present continue to share vital information necessary on a partnership footprint in addition to being part of necessary updates around key cases that assist in future pieces of work around prevention. The office also attended an 'insider threat briefing' which was also open to local authorities, which supports the information required when involved in recruitment and selection processes.

Business Crime

3.43. Following the Business Crime Seminar in November 2015 it was felt a 'next steps' approach should be discussed with the Chamber of Commerce and Federation of Small

Businesses. The office together with the Constabulary met with all parties and identified that a further event was not required at present. However, other lines of communication would continue to support key crime prevention advice and regular updates across Lancashire.

Serious and Complex Crime

- 3.44. The Commissioner has met with the newly appointed Head of Crime Susannah Clarke to discuss, the action plan for Regional and Organised Crime Unit (ROCU) following the recent review, change of leadership and plans to address the needs of all forces.

Early Action

- 3.45. The Early Action Governance Meeting dealing with the Preston Early Action Pilot continues to evolve with the newly formed multi agency team relocating within the Ribblesdale/Deepdale area to better meet the needs of the community.
- 3.46. The Community Volunteer Hub plays a vital role in this service and is well integrated to provide support. The Multi-Agency Early Action Oversight group chaired by ACC Bates continues to meet quarterly and monitors the progress of all the three divisional areas operating the early action approach.
- 3.47. Arrangements have been made for the Police and Crime Panel to receive a presentation on Early Action at the meeting.

D) CHAMPION THE RIGHTS OF VICTIMS

Victims' Services

- 3.48. Members will recall that the Commissioner has been responsible for the provision of services for victims of crime since April 2015. The Commissioner has now provided continuation funding to the existing service providers to ensure the provision of services for victims of crime, under the Lancashire Victim Services, up to the re-commissioning of the service from April 2017.
- 3.49. The Commissioner is now re-commissioning the service and has published an invitation to tender document and invited bids from prospective providers. Providers have until 31st October 2016 to submit tenders to the Commissioner.
- 3.50. The Commissioner has worked with partners in Lancashire County Council to incorporate the re-commissioning of domestic abuse services for medium and high risk victims into the service specification. Discussions are also ongoing with NHS England and the top tier authorities regarding the commissioning of rape and sexual assault services, including counselling and therapy, as part of the victims services re-commission.

- 3.51. The Commissioner has recently received the first quarter reports from all the partners currently delivering Lancashire Victim Services. In the quarter approximately 10,000 referrals into the service were received, with over 1000 receiving in depth or 1-2-1 support.

Blackpool Victoria Hospital IDVA – pilot scheme

- 3.52. The Commissioner allocated £24,021.25 to Blackpool Victoria Hospital for an IDVA (Independent Domestic Violence Advisor) 10 month pilot scheme. An IDVA will be commissioned to do 5 shifts per week, including evenings and weekends based upon hospital demand to provide specialist support to staff, patients and the maternity unit.

Child Sexual Abuse Support Fund

- 3.53. The Commissioner invited applications from non-statutory organisations who support victims of child sexual abuse to apply for a share of £200,000. The fund was designed to support organisations who have seen an increase in demand for services and aims to provide funding to enable them to increase capacity.

- 3.54. The deadline for applications was Monday 26th September, 4pm and all those received are now being considered against the set criteria.

Code of Practice for Victims and the Witness Charter

- 3.55. A year-end review of the Code and Charter has been undertaken by the Victims and Witnesses Sub Group and the overall position in relation to compliance has been reported to the Lancashire Criminal Justice Board at their July meeting. It is noted that at the time of writing this report Lancashire was over two thirds compliant.

4. Part 2 – Performance monitoring report

- 4.1 The Police and Crime Plan as indicated has a number of priorities and a range of performance measures developed in conjunction with the Chief Constable that enable the PCC to monitor both the performance of Lancashire Constabulary and the implementation of the objectives set out in the plan.
- 4.3 The Constabulary's current performance against these measures are shown in full in **Appendix B**.

NB – There are no performance targets but rather a suite of measures by which the Commissioner can monitor the performance of the Chief Constable.

5. Part 3 – Commissioner and Office Activity

- 5.1. The following provides a brief outline of key PCC activity not captured in parts 1 or 2 of this report, but which will be of interest to the panel.

Complaints

5.2. The Panel resolved at the last meeting (20 June) that they wished to monitor complaints against the Constabulary. The Joint Audit and Ethics Committee have met on the 15 August 2016 and received the current complaints data. This can be found via this link

<http://lancashire-pcc.gov.uk/meetings-and-decisions/meetings-and-reports/joint-audit-and-ethics-committee/joint-audit-and-ethics-committee-15-august-2016/>

5.3. The Joint Audit and Ethics Committee receive this regularly and undertake dip sampling of finalised complaints and the Minutes of this Committee are reported to the Joint Management Board. For the future, a link will be provided to Panel Members in the performance report so this information can be accessed. The Commissioner, through his Strategic Scrutiny meeting in December 2016 will receive a report on complaints.

Community Engagement Activities:

5.4. Since the last meeting of the panel, the Commissioner has engaged widely with the public, partners and stakeholders on a wide range of issues.

5.5. This includes engagement on the new Police and Crime Plan which is detailed elsewhere on the agenda, and working with the Association of Police and Crime Commissioners representing Lancashire's interests on a national stage.

5.6. In addition he has hosted a visit of the new Chief Executive of the APCC, Nazir Afzal, and worked with the newly elected Chair Vera Bair, PCC for Northumbria, to lobby Government on issues relating to child sexual exploitation and abuse.

Funding formula review:

5.7. The Government has announced it intends to push ahead with the Funding Formula Review and will begin consulting on this in the next few weeks. The review will look at the way the Home Office distributes grants to Commissioners to fund police across the country. Last year the abandoned proposal to review the funding formula would have left Lancashire the worst hit force in the country with a 25% reduction to our funding on top of the funding already lost. The Home Office abandoned plans to implement the review when it discovered it had used the wrong data to calculate its proposals. The Commissioner is already working with the APCC and lobbying on Lancashire's behalf to ensure a fair deal for the county when it comes to the review and that demand and the impact of cuts to other public services are taken into consideration as part of the process.

Engaging with young people:

5.8. Young people across Lancashire who have or could become victims or perpetrators of crimes have been a key focus of attention in the last quarter.

5.9. Firstly the Commissioner has launched a new dedicated service to provide help and support to young people who are victims of crime, bullying or harassment. Nest Lancashire is part of the Lancashire Victim Services family and support workers across the county provide support to young people. Although only recently established the service is already helping around 40 young people with specialist help and support.

- 5.10. Nest Lancashire workers were on hand at special engagement events for young people organised by Lancashire Constabulary and supported by the PCC's office. Three engagement days were held with young people attending from schools across the county just before the summer break.
- 5.11. The aim of the engagement events was to improve relationships between the young people and police, raise awareness of issues facing young people such as coercive and abusive behaviour, and the consequences of knife crime.
- 5.12. Young people were again the focus when the Commissioner spoke to young people at event organised by Skelmersdale Action for Youth (SAY). The theme of the event was young people and mental health issues, and the Commissioner was invited to talk to young people about the issues they face.
- 5.13. In August, the Commissioner also spoke at an event organised by Child Action North West highlighting work in the county to divert young people away from offending and secure positive outcomes in the community.
- 5.14. More than 180 young Cadets descended on Police Headquarters in Lancashire for Cadetfest, an annual challenge for cadets from all over the country celebrating their achievements and featuring challenges and activities throughout bank holiday weekend. The Commissioner was able to provide funding for the event from the Proceeds of Crime to ensure the weekend was a success. The Cadets in Lancashire is growing in numbers with young people regularly supporting the police and local communities at events throughout the county.

Visits to funded projects:

- 5.15. The Commissioner visited the Hyndburn and Ribble Valley Domestic Violence Team (HARV) to see how money recovered from criminals under the Proceeds of Crime Act, and awarded to projects supporting the Police and Crime Plan Priorities, is helping to support victims of domestic abuse. He also visited AFC Fylde to see how money from the office is supporting efforts to reduce reoffending by working with vulnerable individuals.
- 5.16. In July, the Commissioner re-launched his successful Community Action Fund which has now distributed more than £200,000 to local grassroots organisations working to support the priorities in the Police and Crime Plan. This year, a total of £75,000 has been made available through the scheme, which is now in its fourth year. Applications for up to £2500 for grass roots projects can be made via the Commissioner's website www.lancashire-pcc.gov.uk

Other events:

- 5.17. The Commissioner attended Preston Indoor Market where members of Preston's Neighbourhood Watch had a stall as part of National Neighbourhood Watch Week in June. The Commissioner is very keen to see Neighbourhood Watch continue and is working with Constabulary to ensure that watch becomes a key part of the citizens in policing programme (CIP).
- 5.18. The Commissioner spoke to the Hyndburn Chamber of Trade in July. He spoke on a range of issues affecting local businesses, including nuisance behaviour and the opening of a new police station in Accrington.

Rural crime activity

5.19. The Commissioner also visited a rural crime check point in Kirkham, where officers were working with national agencies to disrupt the movement of stolen plant and farm machinery in Lancashire. Over the course of the two-day operation, a stolen piece of equipment was recovered and one person arrested on an outstanding warrant.

Hate crime

5.20. Last week (October 8 to 15) the Commissioner launched a far reaching hate crime campaign #saynohate. The campaign has been supported and adopted across the county by councils and partners working together to raise awareness of hate crime, challenge behaviours that may lead to hate crimes, increase reporting and to ensure that victims know where they can go to get help and support and advice.

5.21. Four roadshows were held across Lancashire with representatives across the region joining the commissioner to stand shoulder to shoulder against hate.

Modern day slavery week:

5.22. This week is modern slavery week and the PCC's office has supported Lancashire Constabulary and Blackburn with Darwen Council in developing a campaign to raise awareness and encourage reporting of suspicious activity across Lancashire. Yesterday we held a conference for front line workers in Lancashire to help them identify possible victims that they may come into contact with.

5.23. In addition the campaign includes a series of radio adverts, posters and information to make raise awareness of the issue of trafficking and to encourage reporting.

CSE week:

5.24. The fourth annual CSE week takes place this November 2016 with delegates from all over the country attending the annual conference which this year will take place in Blackpool. Work to raise awareness of CSE has led to an increase in reports and local authority partners, voluntary agencies, police and others are working together to help prevent young people becoming victims in the future, and to ensure perpetrators are brought to justice.

Precept consultation:

5.25. The Commissioner will launch the latest round of consultation on the precept in the next few weeks. Following the Comprehensive Spending Review (CSR) in November last year, the Government made it clear a promised "freeze" in cuts to police budgets relied on Commissioners raising the precept by 2% a year over the life of the CSR. The Lancashire budget has fallen by 30% since austerity began in 2010.

Police and Crime Plan

5.26. Extensive engagement and consultation has taken place with Lancashire Constabulary, members of the public, victims of crime, stakeholders and public sector partners to ensure a broad range of opinion and local data and evidence has been taken into consideration in developing the police and crime plan. A substantive report in relation to the draft Police and Crime Plan appears elsewhere on the Agenda.

5.27. You can keep up to date by following the Commissioner @LancsPCC on Twitter or www.facebook.com/Lancspcc

(vii) Community Safety and Partnership Funding

5.28. As the Panel are aware, the Commissioner has allocated £10,000 funding to each of the District Community Safety Partnerships (CSPs). This will be supported by an additional fund of £24,000 for CSPs to bid into for any projects that exceed the £10,000 available and in particular for projects delivered across two or more CSPs. He has also confirmed support for the Blackburn with Darwen and Blackpool Safety Partnerships.

5.29. Since the last meeting of the Panel the Commissioner has funded the following projects under the supporting partnerships priority:

District	Chorley
Project	Clover Road Diversionary Activities
Amount	£1,880
Purpose	Diversionary activities for young people during the summer period to include 1 x 4 hour evening session per week and 1 x 3 hour day time activity per week, for 6 weeks.
Priority	Tackle crime, re-offending and ASB

District	Fylde
Project	Fylde Youth Zone
Amount	£5,000
Purpose	A range of diversionary activities in Fylde's ASB Hotspots with the ability to move around to target new areas and youngsters.
Priority	Tackle crime, re-offending and ASB

District	Fylde
Project	Lock it or Lose It Campaign
Amount	£3,550
Purpose	Following a recent increase in Burglary and Theft which was reported at the community safety partnership Fylde CSP launched a 'Lock it or Lose It' campaign to be rolled out across the borough
Priority	Tackle crime, re-offending and ASB / Protect Vulnerable People

District	Fylde
Project	Positive Pathways
Amount	£5,000 (£3,450 from the £24,000 additional CSP funding pot)
Purpose	Structured approach with the aim to reduce re-offending, working with ex-offenders on a weekly training programme.
Priority	Tackle crime, re-offending and ASB

District	Ribble Valley
Project	Polycarb Glasses for the Town
Amount	£1,500
Purpose	With numerous community events taking place in Ribble Valley (mostly outside) and following consultation with the licensing team, the CSP has bought Polycarb glasses to reduce the number of incidents involving people being injured by glass (especially in Clitheroe Town Centre)
Priority	Tackle crime, re-offending and ASB / Protect Vulnerable People

District	Ribble Valley
Project	Beat Safe
Amount	£1,753
Purpose	To run a CAN Safe operation (including all partner agencies) throughout the weekend of the Beat Herder Festival and aim to reduce the number of young people who are identified as vulnerable at the festival due to alcohol and drug misuse.
Priority	Tackle crime, re-offending and ASB / Protect Vulnerable People

District	Ribble Valley
Project	Domestic Violence Support Officer
Amount	£5,600
Purpose	Funding for a part time Domestic Violence Support Officer within the borough for 6 months offering 1-1 support, telephone support and group work.
Priority	Protect Vulnerable People and Champion the rights of Victims

District	West Lancashire
Project	Section 59 signs
Amount	£1,000
Purpose	Motorcycle Nuisance is a concern in Skelmersdale. The project includes the manufacture and installation of Section 59 signs which reminds the public that motorcycles are not allowed within a certain area and failure to comply with the law can result in the vehicle being seized. West Lancs CSP ran this operation in 2009 which was a success.
Priority	Tackle crime, re-offending and ASB

District	West Lancashire
Project	Mischief Night
Amount	£1,500
Purpose	West Lancashire always sees an increase in ASB on mischief night. Three community centres in targeted areas will run a co-ordinated plan of activities on mischief night to attract young people.
Priority	Tackle crime, re-offending and ASB

District	West Lancashire
Project	CSE Teacher Training Programme
Amount	£2,000
Purpose	Following a recommendation from a Domestic Homicide Review teachers 3 teachers from each of the 9 West Lancashire High Schools will be given training around CSE & Healthy relations. The nominated staff will then be able to deliver the training to teachers within their schools enabling all children within the school to be taught about CSE and Healthy Relationships.
Priority	Protect Vulnerable People

District	Burnley
Project	CSE Training for Taxi drivers
Amount	£3,500
Purpose	Training on CSE will be delivered to all taxi drivers within the district.
Priority	Protect Vulnerable People

District	Lancaster
Project	Community Safety and Crime Prevention
Amount	£5,000
Purpose	Lancashire Constabulary will appoint Police Volunteers from the local community to undertake the role of becoming a Community Safety and Crime Prevention Officer. The volunteers will be able to offer advice and support to the community and also be trained to install crime prevention solutions.
Priority	Tackle crime, re-offending and ASB / Protect Vulnerable People

5.30. The table below shows the current CSP spend.

COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP	AMOUNT SPENT	AMOUNT REMAINING
Burnley CSP	£3,500.00	£6,500.00
Chorley CSP	£1,880.00	£8,120.00
South Ribble CSP	£0.00	£10,000.00
Fylde CSP	£13,550.00	£0.00
Hyndburn CSP	£0.00	£10,000.00
Lancaster CSP	£5,000.00	£5,000.00
Pendle CSP	£0.00	£10,000.00
Preston CSP	£0.00	£10,000.00
Ribble Valley CSP	£8,853.00	£1,147.00
Rossendale CSP	£0.00	£10,000.00
West Lancashire CSP	£4,500.00	£5,500.00
Wyre CSP	£0.00	£10,000.00

(viii) Community Action Fund

The Commissioner re-launched his Community Action Fund in July 2016 and has so far awarded grants to 13 successful organisations.

Clitheroe Youth Forum

Positive Activities – £2,000

Clitheroe Youth Forum will provide positive activities to youngsters aged 11 to 15 years. The Forum will run a variety of activities, especially to attract and target females.

Fylde Sports Trust

Fylde Sports Zone – £2,400

The Fylde Sports Trust will run a 6 week diversionary activity project across various parks in Blackpool thought out September and October. The Fylde Sport Trust have consulted with the Blackpool Community Safety Partnership and data shows youth related crime and disorder reports tend to increase during this period.

Lancashire Equalities Organization
Victim 22 Campaign - £2,230

Lancashire Equalities Organization will deliver a range of activities that will support female victims of the BME community to heal, recover and gain confidence. Support will take place through group sessions and peer mentoring.

The AFC Fylde Community Foundation
Fylde Youth Zone – £2,400

AFC Fylde Community Foundation will provide young people with diversionary activities over the summer holiday period throughout the day time across a variety of locations.

Lancashire Sports and Arts Foundation
Preston Arts and Sports Project - £2,400

Lancashire Sports and Arts Foundation will provide diversionary activities throughout August, September and October to Young People in pre-identified local parks. Lancashire Sports and Arts Foundation work with the Young Peoples Services and Youth Workers have agreed to provide direct referrals into the programme.

Positive Opportunity Group
Wyre Youth Outreach Service – £2,400

Positive Opportunity Group will run a 12 week programme targeted at young people who are taking part in criminal behaviour or at the risk of offending. The programme will include a number of diversionary activities with a Community Sports Worker as well as planned themed discussions/ debates with a Detached Youth Support Worker.

UR Potential
Out & About Transgender Group - £1,500

UR Potential will support young people in schools who are struggling with their gender identity. UR Potential will be able to offer support one to one basis in schools across Blackpool, Fylde and Wyre. Group support and activities will also be available for young people to attend.

Blackpool Musical School
Musical Activity for the Young – £2,500

Blackpool Musical School will provide a 6 months music course to vulnerable young people which will include both 1 to 1 and group sessions. Blackpool Musical School work with the Early Action Team based in Blackpool to target youngsters who are at the risk of entering the criminal justice system.

Burscough Hub
Keeping Safe Online – £875

Burscough Hub will run online safety sessions to vulnerable adults in the community. Sessions include advice on online relationships, social media, and guidance for supervising children on the internet, security and fraud.

Friends of Hope Street Park
Hope Street Outreach Service - £2,400

Friends of Hope Street Park will provide extra diversionary activities over a 6 week period, running an extra 4 sessions per week to target vulnerable youngsters within the community who are at risk of committing crime.

Saheliyaan Asian Womens Forum
Supporting Victims of Domestic Abuse – £1,740

Saheliyaan Asian Womens Forum would like to purchase I.T equipment to further the support they can offer to victims of Domestic Abuse.

The Haythornwaite Sports Foundation
Blackpool 'Back on Track' Programme - £1,200

The Foundation will run a 12 week pilot programme in Blackpool to target vulnerable adults with mental health issues reintegrate into the community through Football. The Foundation will receive direct referrals from N Compass into the programme.

West Lancashire Skatepark Group
Skate it or Leave It - £2,400

West Lancashire Skatepark Group will run 2 skateboarding sessions per week for 12 weeks across various parks in the Fylde District with trained instructors.

(ix) Commissioning and Contracts

Contract Standing Orders

5.31. The Contract Standing Orders have new been reviewed and agreed in order to reflect changes made in recent EU Directives, as well as raising the threshold levels at which it becomes necessary to seek 3 quotes for goods/services and, improve clarity on waivers.

Victims Re-commission

5.32. The current Lancashire Victims Service (LVS) contract expires on 31st March 2017.

5.33. The Commissioner is statutorily required to provide the service and therefore is required to procure a service to continue post expiry of the current contract. The procurement must be undertaken in accordance with the Contract Standing Orders.

5.34. The current LVS is funded by grant funding from the Ministry of Justice and is supplemented by the Commissioner. The total budgetary provision for the current service is £1.7M. The grant funding from the Ministry of Justice is only allocated annually as part of the budget settlement.

5.35. The commissioned service from 1st April 2017 will deliver an integrated approach to providing services, advice and support for victims of all types of crime. The service will be fully delivered under the Lancashire Victim Services brand, including the NEST Lancashire brand for the young victim's service.

- 5.36. The service will provide a range of specialist support services including those for victims of hate crime, domestic abuse, Child Sexual Assault (CSA), rape and sexual assault and for young people as victims of crime. Additional specialist support services for victims of other crime types such as fraud and scams, human trafficking etc will be developed during the duration of the contract.
- 5.37. The provision of advice and support services for victims of domestic abuse includes the provision of support for medium and high risk victims. For this service the Commissioner is acting as the lead commissioner on behalf of Lancashire County Council and the Lancashire District Authorities.
- 5.38. Further, it should be noted that this commission will include the delivery of Early Support (service for children and young people who have been victims or witnesses of domestic abuse) on behalf of LCC (Lancashire County Council);
- 5.39. The provision of support and specialist services for CSA, rape and sexual assault victims will include some elements, including the provision of Independent Sexual Violence Advisers (ISVAs), for which the Commissioner may act as a lead commissioning on behalf of the Lancashire top tier authorities and NHS England.
- 5.40. The new service will be for a 5 year term (3 years plus 2 years extension).

Future Service Delivery Model & Procurement

- 5.41. The new LVS envisages a Lead provider with a number of sub providers. The contract will be between the Commissioner and the Lead provider. This model is advantageous to the Commissioner as it achieves a slimmed down management arrangement but will still allow active engagement by the Office with all providers.
- 5.42. The Commissioner's Office has reviewed existing framework agreements as a method of procuring the LVS without the need to adopt a full procurement process. However, the review concluded that the framework available did not give sufficient flexibility in the scope of the service required and did not offer value for money. A full open and transparent procurement exercise has therefore been seen as the most appropriate way forward.
- 5.43. The closing date for completed bids is 31st October 2016, with a view to announcing a contract award around Christmas 2016.

POCA Grant funding

- 5.44. Earlier this year the Police and Crime Commissioner invited applications for grant funding from the POCA fund.
- 5.45. Successful organisations have recently been requested to provide a mid-year evaluation of how those funds have been allocated, and the impact they have had, on both the PCC's objectives and the local community.

Ethics Training

- 5.46. When entering office the Commissioner undertook to abide by an Ethical Code of Conduct and adopted the Ethical Framework for Police and Crime Commissioners which has been developed by the Association of Police and Crime Commissioners (APCC) following discussions with the Committee on Standards in Public Life (CSPL).
- 5.47. As part of this commitment, the Commissioner has arranged for all the staff together with himself to receive ethics training which he sees as really important in how they and the Constabulary conduct their work.

6. Recommendations

- 6.1 Members of the Panel are invited to consider the report.