

Agenda item

Police and Crime Panel

Meeting to be held on 8th March 2021

LANCASHIRE POLICE & CRIME PANEL FORWARD PLAN 2020/21

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Executive Summary

This report updates the forward plan for the Panel for the Municipal Year 2020/21.

Recommendations

The Panel are asked to note the changes actioned following the Panel's decisions in December 2020.

Background and Advice

The report by the Standards in Public Life Report – Tone from the Top – identified the importance of Forward Plans.

Police and Crime Panels should focus attention on key areas for scrutiny each year by reviewing the PCC's Police and Crime Plan.

To facilitate work in advance of the scheduled meetings for areas selected for further scrutiny the Panel has previously agreed Task & Finish Groups to review information in advance of the meetings and engage directly with the PCC & the Office of the PCC as appropriate.

At the last meeting the following Task & Finish Groups were confirmed to report to the March meeting:

The responses were as follows:

1. Local & Neighbourhood Policing Strategy – Lead – Councillor Jackie Oakes
2. Police Response Team – Funding & Expenditure – lead – Councillor Roger Berry
3. Violence Reduction Network – Suggested lead - Councillor Sue Berry
4. Building Confidence in Local Communities – lead - Councillor Mohammed Khan
5. Independent Review of Deaths & Serious Incidents in Custody*

* In the event it was agreed post the Panel meeting in December 2020 that the Police and Crime Commissioner would be asked to update directly via a report to the march 2021 Panel meeting, on the Independent Review of Deaths & Serious Incidents in Custody.

It was also agreed that the Panel receive a briefing on the Emergency Services Network. This briefing took place on 24th February 2021.

The Panel is asked to note the further updating of the Forward Plan (attached) which will be published on the website and will be further updated following this meeting as appropriate.

Consultations

N/A

Implications:

This item has the following implications, as indicated:

Legal Implications

Forward Plans are a requirement for local authorities, and a good programme of work, with a forward plan for any public reports, cuts down on 'surprises'; unexpected decisions or issues that a Panel may be required to respond to. It is considered that a Forward Plan helps the Panel in carrying out its scrutiny role in an effective manner.

Financial Implications

N/A

Risk management

The provision of effective scrutiny by the Police and Crime Panel is in accordance with the provisions of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011.

Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 List of Background Papers

<u>Paper</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Contact/ Directorate/Tel</u>
Good Practice for Police and Crime Panels Guidance Document	May 2015	David Fairclough 01254 585642
LGA Policing and Fire Governance – Guidance for Police & Crime Panels	July 2019	David Fairclough 01254 585642