

# Agenda item

## **Police and Crime Panel**

Meeting to be held on 2nd July 2018

### **MONITORING OF COMPLAINTS**

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### **Executive Summary**

This report sets out the current position with regard to communications relating to potential complaints received up to 1<sup>st</sup> June 2018 in relation to the Police and Crime Commissioner.

### **Recommendation**

That the update in relation to communications and complaints be noted.

### **Background and Advice**

Since the commencement of the Panel in 2012 there have been 51 recorded communications which at the outset were described as potential complaints against the commissioner. Many of these communications as reported previously however did/do not relate directly to the conduct of the PCC and therefore do not, under the terms of the governing regulations come under the jurisdiction of the Police & Crime Panel.

Many communications received focus on the alleged conduct of police officers or the chief constable, and these are matters for which there are other complaints processes and appropriate authorities to deal with such matters.

There has been two (49 & 50) further communications of this nature recently.

Discussions remain ongoing regarding the handling of one complaint (44) with Home Office and external advice being sought on due process. The conclusion of which would be expected to be reported to the next meeting of the Panel.

A further complaint (51) was received on the date of this report (1<sup>st</sup> June 2018) which will be considered in accordance with the procedure, the outcome of which is also expected to be reported at the next meeting of the Panel.

## Consultations

N/A

## Implications:

This item has the following implications, as indicated:

### Legal Implications

The procedures adopted by the Panel comply with the Elected Local Policing Bodies (Complaints and Misconduct) Regulations 2012 which are issued under the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 for the handling of complaints and matters concerning the conduct of the holders of the office of Police and Crime Commissioner.

### Financial Implications

There are no direct financial implications arising from this report. It is proposed the handling of such complaints will be contained within existing resources.

### Risk management

The requirement to monitor and record complaints against the PCC and DPCC is in accordance with the provisions of The Elected Policing Bodies (Complaints and Misconduct) Regulations 2012.

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

<u>Paper</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Contact/Directorate/Tel</u>
Agenda and Minutes from	November 2012	David Fairclough HR, Legal & Corporate Services 01254 585642
Agenda and Minutes from	July 2014	David Fairclough HR, Legal & Corporate Services 01254 585642
Agenda and Minutes from	March 2016	David Fairclough HR, Legal & Corporate Services 01254 585642