

PUBLIC

MINUTES of a meeting of the **DERBYSHIRE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL** held on 13 July 2017 at County Hall, Matlock.

PRESENT

Councillors R Ashton (Amber Valley Borough Council) (substitute member), B Atkins (Derbyshire County Council), C Dale (Bolsover District Council), H Elliott (Derbyshire County Council), D Froggatt (Derby City Council) J Frudd (Erewash Borough Council) R Harris (Erewash Borough Council) (substitute member), C Hart (Derbyshire County Council) T Kemp (High Peak Borough Council) (substitute member), J Lilley (NE Derbyshire District Council), C Ludlow (Chesterfield Borough Council), P Murray (South Derbyshire District Council), B Murray-Carr (Bolsover District Council), P Pegg (Derby City Council), G Potter (Derby City Council) G Purdy (Derbyshire Dales District Council) and Dr S Handsley, K Jackson-Horner and V Newbury (Independent Member).

Derbyshire County Council officers also in attendance: J McElvaney (Director of Legal Services), E Wild (Legal Services) D Rose (Improvement and Scrutiny Officer) and I Walters (Democratic Services Officer).

H Dhindsa, Police and Crime Commissioner, K Gillott, Assistant Police and Crime Commissioner, D Peet, Chief Executive, Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner & Andrew Dale, Chief Finance Officer.

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors J Orton (Amber Valley Borough Council), G Hickton (Erewash Borough Council) K Morgan (Derbyshire County Council), J McCabe (High Peak Borough Council)

19/17 **CO-OPTION OF COUNCILLOR MEMBERS** The Director of Legal Services of Derbyshire County Council invited the Panel to review its composition following the commencement of the new municipal year and to co-opt 6 additional Councillor Members to ensure that the Panel met the statutory balance required.

Each of the ten constituent authorities in Derbyshire had nominated a Panel Member for the new municipal year from its majority group and this had resulted in a Panel of four Labour Members and six Conservative Members. It was considered that balance may be best achieved by co-opting an additional six Councillor Members: four Labour, one Liberal Democrat and one Conservative. Such co-options would be subject to the approval of the Secretary of State. The constituent councils and the political groups had liaised together and the following six Councillors were proposed for co-option:-

Councillor Diane Froggatt, Derby City Council (Labour), Councillor Helen Elliott, Derbyshire County Council (Labour), Councillor Christine Dale, Bolsover District Council (Labour), Councillor John Frudd, Erewash Borough Council (Labour), Councillor Ged Potter, Derby City Council (Conservative) and Councillor Beth Atkins, Derbyshire County Council (Liberal Democrat)

In putting these Councillors forward for co-option the constituent Authorities had regard to the wider objectives of balance (geography, population etc.) as well as political balance.

RESOLVED to approve the co-option of Councillors Diane Froggatt, Helen Elliott, Christine Dale, John Frudd, Ged Potter and Beth Atkins, on to the Derbyshire Police and Crime Panel.

20/17 **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR** **RESOLVED** that Councillor C Hart be appointed as Chair of the Derbyshire Police and Crime Panel for the ensuing municipal year.

Councillor C Hart (in the Chair)

21/17 **APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIR** **RESOLVED** that V Newbury be appointed as Vice-Chair of the Derbyshire Police and Crime Panel for the ensuing municipal year.

22/17 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors G Hickton (Erewash Borough Council) J McCabe (High Peak Borough Council) and J Orton (Amber Valley Borough Council)

23/17 **MINUTES** **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meetings of the Derbyshire Police and Crime Panel held on 23 March and the Confirmation Hearing held on 13 April 2017 be received.

24/17 **POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER'S UPDATE REPORT** Hardyal Dhindsa, Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) for Derbyshire, gave an update on some of the areas of work that he had recently undertaken.

The Commissioner updated Panel Members in relation to community engagement work and focused particularly on the #D383 initiative, which had been launched in June 2016 and would reflect his manifesto pledge to visit all 383 towns and villages in Derbyshire and actively engage with the public in these communities. To date, 81 separate locations had been visited. It was noted that in relation to the 'Listening to You' consultation, 2250 surveys had been completed between June 2016 – June 2017, with 31 consultation events held since the last Panel meeting.

An update was given on the ASB Victims Service, which commenced on 1 April 2017. Both children and adults could access the service and support could be accessed regardless of being reported to the police. 7 total referrals had been received between April-June and 4 self referrals had already been received by Derbyshire Victim Services.

Following on from the City Centre Summit a new 12 month pilot service had been located in the Padley Day Centre, Derby aimed at providing specialist support to drug users and street drinkers. It had the capacity to manage up to 20 vulnerable people at the same time and was a Partnership funded jointly by the Police and PCC - £77,000.

The Hate Crime survey was launched on 26th June in Shirebrook Academy. The aim was to gather feedback from victims who had suffered first hand as a result of hate. Over 100 responses were received in the first week. It was noted that Hardyal Dhindsa had recently been appointed as the national APCC Hate Crime lead.

Following the recent Terrorism events in London & Manchester there had been a notable increase in reported Hate Crime from April to May seen in Derbyshire. Mention was made of the pressures in aligning funding to counter terrorism activity.

Thee PCC informed the Panel that he had been appointed as the APCC National Substance Misuse lead. There were 21 national portfolios covering all aspects of policing. 40 PCCs and 2 Mayors for England and Wales had representation across these portfolio areas. Scoping work was currently being undertaken across other PCCs across England and Wales to understand priorities.

In relation to Mental Health Awareness week a Round table event was held on 11th May at Force HQ, Ripley. It was attended by key partners including Chief Constable Simon Cole who is national lead for mental health. A number of regional and national developments surrounding Mental Health were discussed. The concept of a blue light 'hub' service within the Contact Management centre at Force HQ. Police, Fire and Health sharing services was also under consideration.

Details were given of the Summer Events that had been planned across the County.

Panel members were given the opportunity to ask questions and also made a number of comments and observations on the update, to which the Police and Crime Commissioner responded.

RESOLVED to note the update provided.

25/17 POLICE & CRIME PLAN STRATEGIC PRIORITY 3 : WORKING TO TACKLE THE IMPACT OF DRUGS AND ALCOCHOL ON COMMUNITIES

Members were informed of progress made against Strategic Priority Three of the 2016-2021 Police & Crim Plan for Derbyshire.

The City centre Summit was called in December 2016 following requests from a number of partners in Derby City ranging from the business community, the local media, to the police and other public sector agencies to tackle issues of street-drinking, drug taking and other anti-social behaviour that was having a negative impact on people's perceptions and use of Derby City Centre.

An approach had been put forward for intensive case working with these individuals alongside a robust enforcement regime by police and local authority colleagues. Funding had been identified from a range of partners to support a pilot of

this approach that would be run through the Padley Centre. Contrary to what had been reported in the media this would not be a provision solely for those using NPSs

The pilot would run for 12 months and its impact evaluated and if successful the PCC would attempt to secure a more stable and sustainable funding stream to support the work.

Following the success of the City Centre Summit an approach had been made to the PCC to support a similar process of facilitation in Chesterfield to help tackle issues experienced there.

As part of its development work the Association of Police and Crime Commissioners (APCC) have identified a number of portfolios of work and assigned leads to these. This approach emulated the approach taken by the National Police Chief's Council (NPCC). It was hoped that this would help ensure PCCs were engaged with national debates.

The portfolio lead for Substance Misuse was the PCC for Derbyshire, Hardyal Dhindsa. The PCC was supported by a deputy lead, on this agenda this was Paddy Tipping, PCC for Nottinghamshire. The PCC had also supported national campaigns such as the White Cider campaign.

In relation to Alcohol and Young People and building on the work undertaken under the previous PCC, a strong relationship with Derby University had continued to be developed. Work was currently underway to ensure safety messages were delivered during the Freshers Fairs in September. This would include messages such as safer drinking and keeping safe when out. This was being delivered by a number of partners. The PCC's office and the University had been working to encourage the use of the Citizen Card to ensure that door supervisors and bar staff were able to identify those who were of legal age to drink. It was hoped that this would prevent the need for young people to take out important documents such as passports on a night out to prove age. Another successful initiative had been working with local licensed taxis who would accept a student card in lieu of payment and then the student 'buys' their card back from the Students' Union. As the card was vital to be able to access services such as the university library students were keen to get it back and were also able to get home safely after a night out. A new partnership with University of Derby Students Union is to be launched in Fresher's week – the Drinkaware Crew. The Students' Union taking the lead and employing minimum of 3 Crew to work in associated University Bars on student nights, contributing to a Safe Night Out.

Other areas of partnership working were also outlined including the street pastors, 'Intoxicated – No Sale Initiative' and the 'Pub Watch' schemes in operation across the County.

Panel members were given the opportunity to ask questions and also made a number of comments and observations on the update, to which the Police and Crime Commissioner responded.

RESOLVED That the Panel notes the report on the progress against this Police and Crime Plan Objective

26/17 REGIONAL COLLABORATION AND PCC BUDGET MONITORING WORKING GROUPS

The Panel agreed at its pre-meeting on 28 January 2016 to establish a working group to look in more detail at the Police and Crime Commissioner's (PCC's) in year and longer term budgets. The Panel also agreed at its pre-meeting on 17 November 2016 to establish a working group to look in more detail at regional collaboration of PCCs and police forces. Furthermore, the Panel agreed on 26 January 2017 for it to be a standing working group and for regional collaboration to be a standing agenda item.

It was necessary for the Panel to agree the working group's composition of Members due to some past Members coming off the Panel and/or having other commitments.

It was proposed the working groups would continue to meet three or four times a year (more if necessary) to monitor developments and proactively scrutinise both the PCC budget and regional collaboration activities. This may include:

- Ongoing monitoring of the PCC's in year and longer term budgets, with a view to being able to advise the Panel especially for the annual pre-cept report
- Ongoing monitoring of the PCC's regional collaboration activities. This may include a regional collaboration workshop, probably in the autumn 2017, as previously reported in March 2017.

RESOLVED (1) that D Rose, Improvement and Scrutiny Officer circulate further information to Panel members on the role of the Working Groups with a view to members being appointed at the next meeting.; and

(2) that arrangements be made for Panel Members to visit the Joint Police and Fire Headquarters in Ripley.

27/17 REGIONAL COLLABORATION WORKSHOP Approval was sought to progress plans for a workshop on the issue of Police Regional Collaboration.

At its meeting of 23 March 2017, the Panel agreed in principle to further develop a proposal to hold a workshop event to look at the issue of Regional Collaboration between the five Police forces and Police and Crime Commissioners (PCC) in the region.

The workshop would enable a consistent and clear understanding of progress with Regional Collaboration to be shared across the five Panels in the East Midlands region.

A further planning meeting had subsequently been held with the potential organisers Frontline Consultancy, attended by the support officers for the Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Police and Crime Panels (Panels). A suitable central location was being sought, with one possible option being East Midlands Councils at Melton Mowbray.

It was hoped that Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary, who produced a review of Collaboration Arrangements in the region in 2013 at the request of the five PCCs, would be able to send a representative to the event.

At this stage, plans were still being finalised but it was anticipated that the workshop would take place in the week commencing 9th October 2017 and all five PCCs and Chief Constables would be invited to attend or send appropriate representatives. Currently, the Derbyshire Chief Constable and Deputy Chief Constable, together with the Derbyshire PCC had indicated their interest and availability for the event. Each PCP will be able to send five Members to the event.

It was proposed that a regional workshop event was the best way of progressing this issue. It could be argued that the support officers of each Panel could arrange the workshop event without external input but this would prevent the Panels utilising the wider experience and specialist skills of an organisation such as Frontline Consultancy.

RESOLVED to approve the finalisation of plans for the workshop event, to be facilitated by Frontline Consultancy.

28/17 **POLICE AND CRIME PANEL COMMUNICATIONS** Following consideration at earlier Panel meetings discussions had been undertaken with the Communications team about promoting the work of the Panel.

It was proposed to provide a quarterly newsletter outlining the work of the Panel and to reach out to a wider audience. A draft would be provided for the next meeting with a view to the circulation of the first newsletter shortly after.

RESOLVED to not the update

29/17 **RECENT/FORTHCOMING EVENTS** David Rose, Improvement and Scrutiny Officer had recently attended the LGA PCP Conference and would circulate the notes and presentations to Panel Members.

There was still a proposal to create a National Association of Police and Crime Panels and it was anticipated that this may be in place towards the end of the year.

30/17 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING RESOLVED** to note that the next meeting of the Derbyshire Police and Crime Panel would take place on Thursday 14 September 2017 at 11.00 am at County Hall, Matlock.