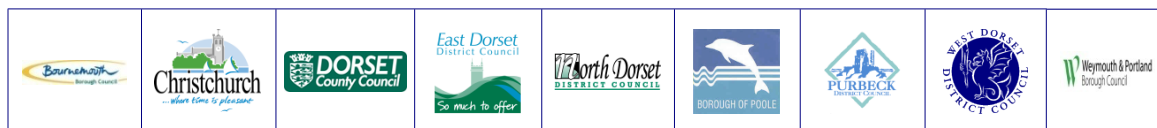


# Dorset Police and Crime Panel



Date of Meeting	1 February 2019
PCP Lead Member Officer	Mike Short MBE – Chairman of the PCP Clerk to the PCP
<b>Subject of Report</b>	<b>PCP Training Day Outcomes</b>
Executive Summary	<p>The Dorset Police and Crime Panel (PCP) held one of its annual informal Training Day sessions on 7<sup>th</sup> December 2018. These sessions are programmed to allow the PCP to review the current arrangements and actively seek to identify ways of how the PCP can do its business better and maximise its effect.</p> <p>Two particular outcomes were discussed and further developed on the day and these are summarised below for formal support and approval by the Panel:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) Frontline Policing will continue to be actively scrutinised via the quarterly monitoring reports in relation to its impacts on the Police and Crime Plan.</li> <li>ii) The proposed establishment and development of an informal partnership forum, which seeks to join-up common outcomes and activity in addressing crime and criminal justice.</li> </ul>
Impact Assessment:	<p><i>Equalities Impact Assessment:</i> There are not considered to be any issues associated with this report.</p> <p><i>Use of Evidence:</i> The proposals are based upon discussion and outcomes from the PCP training session held on 7 December 2018.</p>

	<p><i>Budget:</i> Only minor additional costs are considered to be associated with the proposals.</p>
	<p><i>Risk Assessment:</i> Having considered the risks associated with this decision using the County Council's approved risk management methodology, the level of risk has been identified as:          Current Risk: LOW          Residual Risk: LOW           Other Implications: None</p>
<p>Recommendation</p>	<p>That the PCP approves:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) the proposed scrutiny review of frontline policing is closed within the PCP Forward Plan and oversight continues through the routine quarterly monitoring of the Police and Crime Plan.</li> <li>ii) The principle to establish an informal partnership forum which seeks to join-up and share common outcomes and activity in addressing crime and criminal justice.</li> </ul>
<p>Reason for Recommendation</p>	<p>To support and develop the effectiveness of the Police and Crime Panel.</p>
<p>Appendices</p>	<p>None</p>
<p>Background Papers</p>	<p>None</p>
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## Introduction

1. The Dorset Police and Crime Panel (PCP) held one of its annual informal Training Day sessions on 7<sup>th</sup> December 2018. These sessions are programmed to allow the PCP to review the current arrangements and actively seek to identify ways of how Dorset PCP can do its business better and maximise its effect.
2. Two particular outcomes were discussed and further developed on the day and these are summarised below for formal support and approval by the Panel.

## PCP Training Day - Frontline Policing

3. At the Dorset Police and Crime Panel (PCP) held on Thursday 27 September 2018, one member suggested that, in the future, the Panel should have a 'deep dive' scrutiny review into the Police and Crime Commissioner's (PCC) plans for frontline policing. This was endorsed by the PCP and entered into the panel's Forward Plan.
4. In order to scope how this work stream should be conducted, it was agreed that a workshop would be held during the panel's training day (07 December 2018).
5. The workshop was managed by the Chair PCP and the Chief Executive in the Office of the PCC (OPCC). The desired outcome was to identify Key Lines of Enquiry (KLOE), which would underpin the Scrutiny Review of Frontline Policing. It was highlighted by the Chair that the role of the panel was to scrutinise how the OPCC managed the policy of Frontline Policing in relation to the PCC's Police and Crime Plan; it was not the responsibility of the panel to conduct a deep dive into policing activity, that mandate falls to the Chief Constable.
6. The workshop was conducted in three phases:
  - A presentation by the Chair and OPCC Chief Executive, which outlined the "what, who and how" of Frontline Policing and the proportions of the police workforce (incl. staff) who are engaged in that activity.
  - Group discussions<sup>1</sup> in order to identify KLOE.
  - An overview discussion to finalise the KLOE.
7. During the overview discussion it was quickly identified, and agreed by all present, that:
  - A deep dive into Frontline Policing was not the PCP's role.
  - During the Quarterly PCPs, scrutiny of the PCC's actions on Frontline Policing in relation to his Police and Crime Plan was not only sufficient, but also was the right arena in order to conduct such activity. It was also agreed that any scrutiny out-with the Police and Crime Plan must not be curtailed if it is relevant to the people of Dorset, in order to minimise threat, risk and harm.

### ***It is recommended that the:***

- *Frontline Police Scrutiny Review task is closed within the PCP Forward Plan; oversight to continue through the routine quarterly monitoring of the Police and Crime Plan.*

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<sup>1</sup> There were sufficient members present for two groups to be formed in order to get a balanced view of proposed KLOE.

### **PCP Training Day – Wider Partnership Engagement & Working**

8. The Dorset Police and Crime Panel (PCP) Improvement Action Plan specifically records a desire to identify opportunities to actively engage in wider partnership working.
9. The Panel is committed to reviewing its activity and, where possible, maximising its effect on improved outcomes.
10. An opportunity has been identified, which was discussed at the PCP Training Day on 7<sup>th</sup> December 2018, which considered the potential benefits of a more joined-up approach to the sharing of common outcomes and activity in addressing areas of concern within crime and criminal justice.
11. The proposal is therefore to look to establish and develop a joint panel, consisting of Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Criminal Justice Board, Community Safety Partnership and PCP to identify and discuss areas of common interest to achieve increased effect and improved outcomes.
12. Acknowledging that this proposed approach is entering new territory, initial discussions with some of the current key stakeholders has suggested that there is merit in exploring this further. It is considered that an informal shared forum has the potential to provide and support a more focussed approach across the work of the various groups.
13. Therefore, to support this initiative, draft Terms of Reference (ToR) have been produced and are included at Appendix A, alongside a schematic (see Appendix B), setting out the primary requirement.

***It is recommended that the:***

- *The principle to establish an informal partnership forum which seeks to join-up common outcomes and activity in addressing crime and criminal justice is supported.*

Appendixes:

A - Dorset Joint Effect Panel – Draft Terms of Reference.

B - Dorset Joint Effect Panel - Schematic.

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## TERMS OF REFERENCE DORSET JOINT EFFECTS PANEL

### PREAMBLE

1. At the Dorset Police and Crime Panel (PCP) Training Day on 07 Dec 18, it was endorsed that the concept of an informal Dorset joint panel to review wider partnership working opportunities in order to resolve multi-agency issues across the criminal justice and safety arenas should be convened. This would allow the respective areas to discuss, agree and progress common themes for the benefit of the people of Dorset. A schematic of this concept is at Appendix A.

### AIM

2. The key principles of partnership working are, openness, trust and honesty, agreed shared goals and values - and regular communication between partners. The aim of these Terms of Reference is to provide an initial structure and operating framework for the establishment of an informal Dorset Joint Effects Panel (DJEP) in order to improve the resolution of challenges.

### SCOPE

3. The initial scope of the DJEP is to:
- To identify, agree and progress joint issues across the spectrum of criminal justice, community safety and the Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner (OPCC).
  - Engage with relevant agencies at the:
    - **County Level** - including (but not exclusively) the Clinical Commissioning Group, Members of Parliament, relevant agencies within Dorset Council, Bournemouth, Christchurch & Poole Council (BCPC) and the OPCC.
    - **National Level** - including (but not exclusively) the Ministry of Justice, the Home Office, the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government, the Department for Health and Social Care.
- in order to investigate and resolve issues across the DJEP spectrum of influence.
- Suggest and formulate policy changes in order to improve effect.
  - Maintain oversight, and monitor work & progress, on all individual membership activity.
  - Provide feedback on DJEP progress and salient issues to the individual membership panels/boards.

### MEMBERSHIP

4. Initially, membership of the DJEP is to be:
- Chair & Vice Chair of the Dorset:
    - Police and Crime Panel.
    - Criminal Justice Board.
    - Community Safety Panel.
  - Local Government Officer support (*incl. administrative support as necessary*).

## **ADMIN**

5. The following will shape the admin of the Panel:
  - **Frequency of meetings:** initially, meetings are to be held every three months.
  - **Minutes and Reports:** A record of the meetings are to be produced in order to ensure full transparency and to inform Dorset residents of progress. Reports will be produced for presentation, consideration and agreement to the respective membership as and when required.
  - **Costs:** all costs in support of DJEP activities (incl. Travel & Subsistence etc.) will fall where they lie.