

POLICE AND CRIME PANEL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 9 OCTOBER 2024

Present: Cllrs Alasdair Keddie (Chair), Dr Elizabeth Mytton (Vice-Chair), Mike Short, Patrick Canavan, David Flagg, Peter Sidaway, Tony Trent, Louise Bown, Simon Gibson, Louie O'Leary and Andrew Starr

Officers present (for all or part of the meeting):

Simon Bullock (Chief Executive, OPCC)
Chris Harrod (Senior Democratic Services Officer)
Adam Harrod (OPCC Director of Operations)
Jonathan Mair (Director of Legal and Democratic and Monitoring Officer)
James Potten (Communications Business Partner - Place)
David Sidwick (Police and Crime Commissioner)
Julie Strange (OPCC Chief Finance Officer)
Matthew Turnbull (Democratic and Elections Apprentice)

Officers present remotely (for all or part of the meeting):

Marc Eyre (Service Manager for Assurance)

14. Apologies and Introductions

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Carl Woode.

15. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 24 July 2024 were confirmed and signed.

16. Declarations of Interest

No declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests were made at the meeting.

17. Public Participation

There were no requests to speak from member of the public.

18. Election of Vice-Chair

The Chair proposed that Dr Elizabeth Mytton be elected as Vice-Chair, which was duly seconded by Mike Short.

It was moved by Cllr Peter Sidaway and seconded by Cllr Andrew Starr that Cllr Louise Bown be nominated as Vice Chair of the Police and Crime Panel.

RESOLVED

That Dr Elizabeth Mytton be elected as Vice Chair of the Police and Crime Panel.

19. **Revised Police and Crime Plan - 00:07:57 on the recording**

The Police and Crime Commissioner introduced the report which set out proposals to revise the Police and Crime Plan.

Questions from Panel members. (attached at appendix 1).

Officers responded member comments and requests for clarification, details included:

- A 'deep-dive' item on child abuse and exploitation would be presented to a future meeting of the panel.

NOTED

20. **Q1 Monitoring Report - 00:36:34 on the recording**

The PCC gave an update on process against the Police and Crime Plan which covered the period April to June 2024.

Priority 1 – Cut Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour – 00:37:40 on the recording

The PCC highlighted the work being undertaken as part of priority one of the plan.

Questions from the Priority Leads and Panel members. (attached at appendix 1).

Panel members were given the opportunity to ask questions. The PCC responded in detail to questions in relation to Safer Streets funding, larger police presence, joined up working with other commissioners around county borders, road safety initiatives, retail crime and stolen goods.

Priority 2 – Make Policing More Visible and Connected – 01:08:32 on the recording

The PCC highlighted the work being undertaken as part of priority two of the plan.

Panel members were given the opportunity to ask questions. The PCC responded in detail to questions in relation to community engagement opportunities, neighbourhood watches and regular communication with elected representatives.

Priority 3 – Fight Violent Crime and High Harm – 01:22:23 on the recording

The PCC highlighted the work being undertaken as part of priority three of the plan.

Questions from the Priority Leads and Panel members. (attached at appendix 1).

Priority 4 – Fight Rural Crime – 01:51:15 on the recording

The PCC highlighted the work being undertaken as part of priority four of the plan.

Panel members were given the opportunity to ask questions. The PCC responded in detail to a series of questions and comments in relation to fly tipping.

Priority 5 – Put Victim and Communities First – 02:00:14 on the recording

The PCC highlighted the work being undertaken as part of priority five of the plan.

Panel members were given the opportunity to ask questions, of which there were none.

Priority 6 – Make Every Penny Count – 02:04:42 on the recording

The PCC highlighted the work being undertaken as part of priority six of the plan.

Questions from the Priority Leads and Panel members. (attached at appendix 1).

Panel members were given the opportunity to ask questions. The PCC responded in detail to questions in relation to 'Project Evolve' and the lobbying of central government for additional funding for Dorset Police.

NOTED

The Chair called for a brief adjournment at 12:33pm and the meeting reconvened at 12:40pm.

21. Right Care, Right Person - 02:35:57 on the recording

The Police and Crime Commissioner introduced the report which set out the work undertaken to implement the 'Right Person, Right Care' initiative across Dorset.

Questions from the Panel members. (attached at appendix 1).

Panel members were given the opportunity to ask questions, of which there were none.

NOTED

22. Complaints Update

The Service Manager for Assurance advised that there were no live complaints against the Police and Crime Commissioner.

23. Forward Workplan

The following Items were added to the forward workplan for the December meeting following discussions held earlier in the meeting:

- Investment in technology to improve police response efficiency and to identify priorities
- Intervention on child abuse

The Panel noted that there was an informal work planning session due to take place in the near future in order to prioritise future items for consideration.

24. **Urgent items**

There were no urgent items.

25. **Exempt Business**

There was no exempt business.

Police and Crime Commissioner Responses to Questions

Duration of meeting: 10.03 am - 1.11 pm

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