

## REPORT TO SOUTH YORKSHIRE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL

1.	<b>Meeting:</b>	Police and Crime Panel
2.	<b>Date:</b>	24 <sup>th</sup> February 2017
3.	<b>Title:</b>	South Yorkshire Police and Crime Plan 2017/2021
4.	<b>Organisation</b>	Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for South Yorkshire

### 5. Summary

This is a draft of a new Police and Crime Plan for 2017 to 2021 (hereby referred to as the 'Plan'). The Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 makes provision for the Commissioner to issue a new Plan as soon as possible after the Police and Crime Commissioner elections, in consultation with the Chief Constable and any recommendations from the Police and Crime Panel, to respond to issues and priorities which emerge during the life of the Plan. This includes any changes in the strategic policing requirement issued by the Home Secretary.

Before issuing or varying a Plan the Police and Crime Commissioner must:

- (a) prepare a draft of the plan or variation,
- (b) consult the relevant chief constable in preparing the draft plan or variation,
- (c) send the draft plan or variation to the relevant police and crime panel,
- (d) have regard to any report or recommendations made by the panel in relation to the draft plan or variation (see section 28(3)),
- (e) give the panel a response to any such report or recommendations, and
- (f) publish any such response.

### 6. Recommendations

It is recommended that the Police and Crime Panel receive the new Police and Crime Plan 2017/2021, attached at Appendix A and provide comments to the Commissioner before **3<sup>rd</sup> March 2017**.

### 7. Proposals and details

Having listened to the views of a wide range of stakeholders including community groups, local authorities and the voluntary sector, the Commissioner has identified all shared a similar view around wishing to be safe and feel safe.

The Police and Crime Plan is a key document that sets out, on behalf of the public, the priorities for the police for the year ahead. This is the second Plan issued by the Police and Crime Commissioner, following his re-election in May 2016.

In relation to the Police and Crime Plan for 2017/2021 there was a consensus to retain the existing priorities for South Yorkshire: 'Protecting Vulnerable People'; 'Tackling Crime and anti-social behaviour'; and 'Enabling Fair Treatment'. However there was recognition of the need to change emphasis in some of the outcomes, in order to reflect new and evolving policing and crime demands, identified through consultation with the public and partners, as well as results from needs / threat assessments.

Set out below are the requirements from the Plan:

**Requirement:** I want South Yorkshire Police to intervene earlier with vulnerable people to prevent them becoming repeat victims or victims of more harmful crime. This should require less costly and less resource-intensive assistance.

**Requirement:** I want South Yorkshire Police to work alongside partners, other agencies and the community and voluntary sector to develop a plan showing how they will prevent and protect vulnerable people from further, more harmful crimes.

**Requirement:** I want the public of South Yorkshire to be satisfied that their views and opinions on the policing of their local area have been listened to and considered by South Yorkshire Police, and they understand the reasoning behind local policing decisions that are made in their community.

**Requirement:** I want the public of South Yorkshire to have trust and confidence in the way they contact South Yorkshire Police and when they make contact to be satisfied that they will be listened to, taken seriously and kept informed throughout any investigation, including being told about the result of any action taken.

**Requirement:** I want South Yorkshire Police to demonstrate how they will respond to regional and national policing requirements detailed by the Home Secretary in the Strategic Policing Requirement

**Requirement:** I want South Yorkshire Police to demonstrate effective prevention and action to tackle those areas of crime and anti-social behaviour listed in the SIA that have been assessed as Very High Risk

**Requirement:** We will secure an efficient and effective use of resources on behalf of the public of South Yorkshire, ensuring value for money of policing services

## 8. Finance

At its meeting on 7 February 2017, the Panel supported the proposal of the South Yorkshire Police and Crime Commissioner to increase the Council Tax for a band D property by £5 (or 3.26%) to £158.16 for 2017/18. This has enabled the Commissioner to set an overall revenue budget of £242.287m, of which, approximately £239m is allocated to the Force.

## 9. Risks and Uncertainties

The Government has indicated that over the period of the Spending Review, funding for policing bodies will remain unchanged in cash terms. Any future investment in policing will therefore need to be met from savings and efficiencies. The level of funding for South Yorkshire will also change as a result of the Formula Funding Review that is likely to be introduced from April 2018.

There is uncertainty around the availability of Special Grant funding that may be awarded to South Yorkshire to meet the costs of potential civil claims and ongoing investigations into child sexual exploitation allegations. At the present time our medium term forecasts assume that such additional funding will be made available.

## 10. Background Papers and Consultation

All background papers used in the preparation of this report are available for inspection at the Office of Police and Crime Commissioner, Carbrook House, Carbrook Hall Road, Sheffield, S9 2EH

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