SOUTH YORKSHIRE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL – REPORT TO MEMBERS

1.	Meeting:	South Yorkshire Police and Crime Panel
2.	Date:	19 th March 2015
3.	Title:	Website Development
4.	Organisation:	RMBC – Host Authority

5. Summary

This report is to inform the South Yorkshire Police and Crime Panel as to the progress made on their website.

A demonstration of the website will be provided at the meeting for Members to comment on and any suggest any changes to be made to the site.

Further consideration is to be given to how to involve the community in testing the prototype and to explore other media ways of engaging with the community.

6. Recommendations

That the Panel agrees to

- 1. Note the current design of the website as demonstrated at the meeting 19th March 2015 and make any required changes.
- 2. Decide on how best to involve members of the community in testing the website
- 3. Discuss further methods of engaging/interacting with the community appropriate for the working and statutory role of the PCP

7. Proposals and detail

Background

This meeting previously agreed that a Task & Finish group be established under the leadership of Mr Alan Carter and to the development of a "galaxy" website within RMBC's website.

The Task & Finish group agreed it would be beneficial to involve community representatives at the prototype stage of the development to obtain their views and comments and would welcome the panel's contribution on this matter. The final point to note is the option to explore other media options to engage or interact with the community.

Proposal

The "galaxy" website is now at a stage for it to be considered by the panel members and the community. A demonstration of the website will be provided at the meeting and for any amendments to be made.

The design has been modelled on the West Yorkshire website.

8. Finance

As the host authority Rotherham MBC receives £64,343 in grant to finance Member Allowances and a contribution towards the management and administration of the PCP. The cost associated with the design of the website has been met by RMBC. There is an annual payment of approx. £20 for the URL requirements.

9. Risks and Uncertainties

Any risks and uncertainties would be mitigated by time being invested in the development of the website to ensure its suitability for purpose, with the management of the site being done by the RMBC Online Team.

10. Background Papers and Consultation

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