



South Yorkshire

POLICE & CRIME PANEL

Meeting Date	6 June 2022
Report of	The Police and Crime Commissioner
Subject	Police and Crime Commissioner's Update (including decisions made since the last meeting)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) is supported by the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC) in delivering his Police and Crime Plan, and in effectively discharging his wide range of legal responsibilities. The OPCC has a Delivery Plan that outlines how this is done each year.

This report provides members of the Police and Crime Panel (Panel) with an update on key PCC and OPCC activities against the new Delivery Plan since the Panel's last meeting on 25 April 2022.

This report also provides members of the Panel with information on the decisions taken by the PCC since the Panel's last meeting.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

Members of the Panel are recommended to:

- a) note the contents of this report;
- b) ask questions on the matters contained within the report, given it explains how the PCC has over this period delivered his Police and Crime Plan, and discharged the wide range of his legal responsibilities.

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INTRODUCTION

1. The OPCC has developed a Delivery Plan for the financial year 2022/23, which is designed to help the PCC achieve his Police and Crime Plan priorities and discharge his legal responsibilities.
2. This report provides members of the Panel with an update on key PCC and OPCC activities since 25 April 2022 (the date of the last Panel meeting).
3. This is a short report this time, which bridges the gap between activities carried out against the Delivery Plan for 2021/22 (see previous reports to the Panel) and the new Delivery Plan. The Panel meetings have been 6 weeks apart this time.
4. This report also provides members of the Panel with information on the decisions taken by the PCC since the last meeting.
5. This update report will not follow all the headings within the OPCC's new Delivery Plan, but future reports will do this.

Strategic and Financial Planning

6. Following the publication of the PCC's new Police and Crime Plan, the OPCC has been working on formulating its Delivery Plan for 2022-2024. The new Delivery Plan was approved at the PCC's Public Accountability Board (PAB) in May, but activity is still in early stages. The Delivery Plan is being presented to the Panel this meeting.

Supporting the PCC as National Finance lead in the funding formula review

7. The PCC's Chief Finance Officer has continued to support the PCC in his role as National Finance lead in the funding formula review for policing, seeking and providing technical information and advice where required.

Responding to the PCC Review, Fire Reform and the Levelling Up Agenda

8. The PCC, PCC's Chief Executive and PCC's Chief Finance Officer are involved in national discussions and work in these areas. More will be reported to the Panel as the government's direction and implementation plans become clearer, although we are helping to shape the plans in some aspects.

Understanding our strategic response and what is working in the areas of Violence Against Women and Girls, Road Safety and Equality, Diversity and Inclusion

Violence Against Women and Girls

9. The PCC-led partnership Violence Reduction Unit (VRU) is working with major organisations in South Yorkshire to understand the scope of activity focused on reducing Violence against Women and Girls. This scoping and mapping exercise will help to identify potential duplication, as well as gaps, opportunities and best practice. This should then help to identify how funding allocated to the VRU might be used to help reduce Violence Against Women and Girls and help determine next steps in this important area of focus.
10. The communications campaign, developed under the banner of the Safer Streets 3 funding, is expected to be launched shortly. To date, the campaign has received positive feedback.

11. The Statement of Intenet mentioned in the report to the last meeting is being consulted on with partner organisaitions and interest groups.
12. The VRU is currently planning another 'Listening Event' in June which is detailed in the new Delivery Plan.

Ensuring robust systems of governance, risk management and control

13. Work progresses to conclude our annual review of governance and production of the PCC's Annual Governance Statement (AGS).
14. An Independent Ethics Panel (IEP) workshop was helpd on 29 April with members. This resulted in the appointment of an interim Chair with an agreement to provide a more focused work programme supported by role profiles for those areas considered as areas of focus. Our Delivery Plan sets out more detail, and the IEP's new work programme can be provided to members once finalised in due course.
15. New staff - Complaint Review Officer and Caseworker - appointments have been made, subject to vetting.

Pursuing appropriate external funding

16. Since the last Panel meeting, the OPCC has submitted three bids to the latest round of Safer Streets funding, with a combined value £1.71m. Additionally, a submission was made to the Ministry of Justice for additional funding to support victims of domestic or sexual violence.
17. A bid has also been submitted to the Home Office for external funding to address domestic abuse perpetrator behaviour. It is expected that funding confirmation will be made shortly. The Partnerships & Commissioning team engaged with the police and partners to draft the bid.

Working in partnership within Yorkshire and the Humber (YatH) to support successful rehabilitation

18. The YatH Rehabilitation Partnership met on 26 April and the main items that featured were:
 - a) Review of the picture starting to emerge across the region in respect of Accommodation and Employment outcomes
 - b) Employment: information regarding the establishment of Employment Advisory Boards within prisons with the remit to develop
 - i. Culture of employment in prisons
 - ii. Pathway into jobs
 - iii. Links to local labour market
19. Female Offender datatool – an analysis has been undertaken to take to the county Rehabilitate & Reduce Reoffending meeting on 10 May and to inform planning for a Whole System Approach in relation to Women and Girls in or at risk of entering the Criminal Justice System.

PCC DECISIONS MADE SINCE THE LAST MEETING

20. The PCC has made 1 decisions between 1 April 2022 and 24 May 2022.

21. Between 30 March 2022 (the date of the last report) and 24 May 2022, the PCC has made the following decisions:

Subject	PCC Decision	Date
Commissioner's Proceeds of Crime (POCA) Community Grant Scheme	Approved allocations from the Commissioner's POCA Community Grants Scheme budget for 2022/23 totalling £27,010	24.01.22

List of background documents		
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Transitional Police and Crime Plan• OPCC Delivery Plan 2021/22		
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