

MEETING	Police and Crime Panel
DATE	13 March 2025
TITLE OF REPORT	Report on the Draft Police and Crime Plan
SUBMITTED BY	Jonathan Ash-Edwards Police and Crime Commissioner
PURPOSE OF REPORT	To ascertain feedback from Police and Crime Panel members
DECISION(S) REQUIRED	Feedback on and acceptance of the draft of the Police and Crime Plan 2025-29
FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS	None
RISK IMPLICATIONS	The Plan is to be published by 31 st March 2025.
LEGAL IMPLICATIONS	Police and Crime Commissioners have a legal obligation to consult with the Police and Crime Panel before publishing the plan by 31 st March 2025.
EQUALITIES IMPACTS	The priorities include in depth consideration of communities who face multiple disadvantage and crime
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION EXEMPTION SECTION IF APPLICABLE	Not Exempt

1). INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

- 1.1 Police and Crime Commissioners have a legal obligation to consult with the Police and Crime Panel when preparing the Police and Crime Plan, as described in Section 28 of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011:

A police and crime panel must—

(a) review the draft police and crime plan, or draft variation, given to the panel by the relevant police and crime commissioner in accordance with section 5(6)(c), and

(b) make a report or recommendations on the draft plan or variation to the commissioner.¹

- 1.2 The Police and Crime Commissioner presented the draft priority areas in November 2024 to the Police and Crime Panel, which included the research and

¹ [Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011](#)

evidence base which informed the chosen areas. There was an exploration of the findings from the consultation with the public, victims and businesses and how this also underpinned the work.

- 1.3 The Police and Crime Panel gave extensive verbal feedback which was taken into account when drafting the subsequent versions of the Police and Crime Plan.
- 1.4 Chief Constable Andy Prophet has reviewed the draft prior to sharing with the Police and Crime Panel and all direction and feedback has been included in the finalised draft.
- 1.5 The finalised draft of the Police and Crime Plan, at Appendix A, is now ready for further feedback from the Police and Crime Panel convened on Thursday 13th March 2025. Verbal feedback will be taken at the meeting, to ensure all panel members' expertise and/or local knowledge influence the priorities, strategic intent and delivery detail. This will form part of the report and recommendations from the Panel outlined in Section 28 of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011.
- 1.6 The Panel is invited to submit any further feedback in the form of written recommendations to be integrated into the draft before publication. This written feedback should be received by the 20th of March 2025.

2) RECOMMENDATION

2.1 It is recommended that Police and Crime Panel:

- a) Accepts the draft Police and Crime Plan to be published by March 31st March.
- b) Submit written recommendation on the draft of the Police and Crime Plan by Thursday 20th March 2025.