

HERTFORDSHIRE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL

CONSIDERATION OF THE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER'S DRAFT POLICE AND CRIME PLAN

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Agenda item 9

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RECOMMENDATIONS

1 That the Panel provide the Police and Crime Commissioner with a set of recommendations to be taken into consideration when the final plan is published.

Purpose of Report

For the Panel to provide a report and recommendations on the Police and Crime Commissioner's (PCCs) draft Police and Crime Plan.

Background

The PCC has a duty under Section 5 of the Police and Social Reform Act 2011 to issue a Police and Crime Plan in the financial year of an ordinary election and as soon as reasonably practicable after taking office. The PCC published the existing Police and Crime Plan in 2013 but a further plan or variation can be issued at any time. A Police and Crime Plan is a plan which sets out:

- (a) the PCC's police and crime objectives;
- (b) the policing of Hertfordshire which the Chief Constable is to provide;
- (c) the financial and other resources which the PCC is to provide to the Chief Constable to exercise his functions of Chief Constable;

- (d) the means by which the Chief Constable will report to the PCC on the provision of policing;
- (e) the means by which the Chief Constable's performance in providing policing will be measured; and
- (f) the crime and disorder reduction grants which the PCC is to make, and the conditions (if any) to which such grants are to be made.

The police and crime objectives are the objectives for:

- (a) the policing of Hertfordshire;
- (b) crime and disorder reduction in Hertfordshire; and
- (c) the discharge by the Constabulary of its national or international functions.

The PCC must report annually on progress with the Police and Crime Plan to the Panel and this annual report will be considered at the Panel's meeting on 11 June 2015.

Statutory Consultation and Publication Requirements

The Act requires the PCC before issuing the plan to prepare a draft of the plan and consult the Chief Constable in preparing the draft and to send a copy of the draft to the Panel. The Panel must consider the draft plan and make a report (which may include recommendations) to the PCC on the draft plan. The PCC must respond to the report and recommendations and publish the response. The PCC must have regard to the report and recommendations on the draft plan. The PCC must then publish the final plan. The PCC is required to ensure the Panel has sufficient time to exercise its functions with regard to the plan.