

POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR LEICESTERSHIRE JOINT AUDIT, RISK & ASSURANCE PANEL

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Subject	POLICE AND CRIME PLAN 2013-17 – UPDATE
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Purpose of Report

1. To update the JARAP on the progress being made with the development of the next version Police and Crime Plan.

Recommendation

2. The Panel are recommended to note the update.

Background

3. The Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) is responsible for setting the strategic direction for policing the force area through the Police and Crime Plan. The plan covers the period in office from 1 April 2013 to 31 March 2017.
4. The first Police and Crime Plan was drafted in late 2012 and early 2013. The PCC is responsible for supporting the relationship between policing and local partner activity in support of Plan priorities. The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner in conjunction with the Office of the Chief Constable (OCC) originally drafted the plan and then consulted with partners, the public and other interest groups. Comments and responses were collated and the plan updated to reflect partners' and others' suggestions. The final Police and Crime Plan was published in March 2013.

Purpose of the Refresh

5. The Plan contains a commitment by the Police and Crime Commissioner for a review and refresh in order to publish a revised document in October 2013, particularly to reflect progress towards strategic priorities in the plan, the commissioning intentions and a balanced Medium Term Financial Strategy.
6. The Police and Crime Plan reiteration is being project managed by the Planning and Performance Co-ordinator. Regular Police and Crime Plan Steering Group meetings are underway and a wide partnership engagement programme is being co-ordinated through the meetings.

7. Partnership engagement and consultation exercises have been completed and feedback from the partnership has been circulated to members of the Police and Crime Plan Steering Group. Each partner has been asked to provide local priorities and strategies that support delivery of the Police and Crime Plan.
8. Engagement has concluded that the plan should focus on four key themes (rather than the six suggested in the current plan). The plan will be refreshed strengthening the four key themes of 'Reducing Reoffending', 'Support for Victims and Witnesses', 'Protecting Vulnerable People' and 'Making Communities Safer'. Work-streams within the 'Reducing All Crime' and 'Mental Health and Wellbeing' themes will be incorporated into the four remaining key themes.
9. The PCC's Commissioning Intentions are due to be published on Friday 21 June 2013. Extensive engagement with partners at commissioning and provider levels, e.g. IOM Steering Board, County and City Children and Young People Commissioning teams, Sub Regional Criminal Justice Substance Misuse Commissioning Team and Board, Public Health, Probation, Youth Offending Service and Youth Service Providers and Community Safety leads has been completed. A section to reflect progress in this area will be cited in the Police and Crime Plan.
10. The Medium Term Financial Strategy will be referenced in the refresh of the Police and Crime Plan. This is particularly affected by the 'Change Programme', which is being developed by the Chief Constable and his team. It is anticipated that at the beginning of July proposals to address the £20m projected funding gap to 2016/17 will be discussed with the Commissioner. Progress towards this is reviewed internally on a fortnightly basis. Information regarding the change curve and ability for the Chief Constable to deliver against priorities with reduced resources will be incorporated into the refreshed plan. It is intended that commissioned services will assist in managing demand and hence support the delivery of the plan against strategic priorities.

Publishing the Revised Police and Crime Plan

11. It is planned that the draft revised Police and Crime Plan will be completed by the end of August. The final version will be formally signed off via the Police and Crime Panel and be published by the 1st October 2013.

Implications

Financial :	None direct, but the Police and Crime Plan will assist the Commissioner and Chief Constable in focusing resources to achieve desired outcomes.
Legal :	It is a statutory requirement to have a Police and Crime Plan.
Equality Impact Assessment :	None in regard of this report, but an EIA has been undertaken on the Plan, and a further EIA will be carried on future iterations.
Risks and Impact :	None direct in regard of this report, but an effective Plan is essential to directing the resources of both organisations and hence reducing the risk of non-delivery of objectives.

Link to Police and Crime Plan : This report focuses on the delivery of the Plan, not just one aspect of it.

List of Attachments / Appendices

None

Background Papers

Police and Crime Plan as presented to, and amended by, the Police and Crime Panel on 25 March 2013 is now published on the PCC website.

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