



## SURREY POLICE AND CRIME PANEL 26 SEPTEMBER 2022

### PERFORMANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY MEETINGS

#### 1 SUMMARY

- 1.1 One of the main responsibilities of the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) is to hold the Chief Constable to account for delivery of the Police and Crime Plan. Lisa Townsend has set up a governance framework to discharge this duty. The main part of this framework is to hold six-weekly meetings where the Chief Constable formally reports on progress against the Police & Crime Plan and other strategic issues. This is supplemented by workshops and one-to-one discussions between the PCC and Chief Constable, and other senior officers, when required.
- 1.2 Every other meeting is a private meeting to allow detailed scrutiny of resources and efficiency plans as well as sensitive performance issues. This is called a Resources and Efficiency Meeting.
- 1.3 Every other meeting is normally webcast for the public and partners to view and is focussed on performance and areas of particular public interest – called Accountability and Performance Meetings. The PCC chairs the meetings which are also attended by the Chief Executive and Chief Finance Officer from the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC). Other members of staff from the OPCC attend as required, depending on the agenda. The Chief Constable attends along with the Deputy Chief Constable and other force staff as required.
- 1.4 This report provides an update on the meetings that have been held and what has been discussed to demonstrate that arrangements for good governance and scrutiny are in place.

#### 2. DETAILS

- 2.1 Since the last report on performance meetings to the panel one meeting has taken place:
  - 22 June 2022 - Private Resources and Efficiency Meeting

- 2.2 At the meeting on 22 June the OPCC met with the Chief Constable to discuss general performance against the Police and Crime Plan, the PCSO change programme, work around identifying future savings for the Force and 999/101 response times.
- 2.3 A public meeting between the PCC and Chief Constable is due to take place on 26 September, with a specific focus on assessing Surrey Police's response to the National Policing Priorities, which include:
- Reducing murder and other homicide
  - Reducing serious violence
  - Disrupting drugs supply & 'county lines'
  - Reducing neighbourhood crime
  - Tackling Cyber Crime
  - Improving satisfaction among victims, with a particular focus on survivors of domestic abuse
- 2.4 In accordance with the Elected Local Policing Bodies (Specified Information) (Amendment) Order 2011, the OPCC will be using the discussions at this meeting as the basis for the publication of a public statement, setting out how the Force is meeting its responsibilities in these areas.
- 2.5 For more information concerning these meetings, please see: <https://www.surrey-pcc.gov.uk/transparency/performance/>

### **3. FUTURE MEETINGS ARE IN THE DIARY AS FOLLOWS:**

- 14 November 2022 - Private Resources and Efficiency Meeting
- 17 January 2023 - Public Accountability and Performance Meeting

### **4. RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Police and Crime Panel note the update on the Accountability Meetings.

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