

Agenda item 8

Police and Crime Panel 29 January 2016

Information Bulletin

The Information Bulletin is a document that is made available to the public with the published agenda papers. It can include update information requested by the Panel as well as information that may extend the Panel's knowledge or understanding of a topic related to the scope of the Panel.

In section 1 this Information Bulletin summarises the PCC's decisions taken since those reported to the Panel meeting on 9 October 2015. There will be opportunity for the Panel to put further questions to the PCC about his decisions.

This Information Bulletin covers the following items:

- 1. Update on PCC Decisions to date.**
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- 3. Update on the Solved Rate of Serious Sexual Offences (SSO) and Domestic Burglary (DB).**
- 4. Task & Finish Group – Community Safety Partnerships (CSP) and Strong & Safe Communities Group (SSCG)**
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1. Update on PCC Decisions to date

The Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 describes the Police & Crime Panel's role as including to "review or scrutinise decisions made, or other action taken, by the PCC".

PCC Decisions are published by the PCC on his website: <http://www.suffolk-pcc.gov.uk/decisions>. An updated summary list was reported at the Panel's meeting on 9

October 2015, up to and including PCC Decisions No. 42-2015 (15/9/2015) and C15-2015 (3/8/2015). A further update, summarising subsequent Decisions, to date, is shown in Annex 1 **Update - Decisions of the Police and Crime Commissioner** [Subsequent to Decisions No. 42-2015 and C15-2015]. For further details and the full report associated with each PCC Decision, please access the PCC website.

For further information about the PCC Decisions contact the PCC Office: E-mail: spcc@suffolk.pnn.police.uk Tel: 01473 782773.

2. The PCC's Accountability and Performance Panel

The PCC has held two Accountability and Performance (A&P) panel meetings since the last Police and Crime Panel meeting in Oct 2015. Details of the PCC's A&P meetings are available on the PCC's website: <http://www.suffolk-pcc.gov.uk/public-meetings/accountability-and-performance-panel>. A summary list of the items covered is shown below, for ease of reference, and to assist the Police and Crime Panel in considering potential topics for its Forward Work Plan. The PCC's next A&P meeting is on **26 Feb 2016**. Members of the Police and Crime Panel are welcome to attend and feed back to other Panel members.

List of Public Agenda items covered at the PCC's A&P public meeting on [15 Dec 2015](#):

Agenda Item and Subject
2. 101 Call Handling Performance Report by the Chief Constable (Paper AP15/79)
3. Report on Serious Sexual Offences Report by the Chief Constable (Paper AP15/80)
4. Financial Monitoring as at 31 October 2015 Report by the Chief Constable (Paper AP15/81)
5. Use of Stop Search in Suffolk – December 2014 to August 2015 Report by the Chief Constable (Paper AP15/82)
6. The Police and Crime Commissioner for Suffolk and the Chief Constable of Suffolk Constabulary Annual Audit Letter for the year ended 31 March 2015 Letter from the External Auditors (Paper AP15/83)
7. Suffolk Collaboration Report Report by the Chief Constable (Paper AP15/84)
8. Progress update Suffolk Only Change Portfolio (PCC Decision 31-2014) Report by the Chief Constable (Paper AP15/85)
9. Complaints and Professional Standards Update Report by the Chief Constable (Paper AP15/86)

List of Public Agenda items covered at the PCC's A&P public meeting on [27 Oct 2015](#):

Agenda Item and Subject
2. Grant Monitoring reports To receive reports from recipients of grants authorised by the Police and Crime Commissioner: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Victim Support: Provision of Victim Services in Suffolk (Victim Assessment and Referral Centre) Report by Victim Support (Paper AP15/65) ii. Independent Domestic Violence Advisor (IDVA) Service Report by Lighthouse Women's Aid (Paper AP15/66)
3. Annual Safeguarding Children Board Report Report by the Local Safeguarding Children Board Manager (Paper AP15/67)

4. HMIC – a series of reports into Child Protection Report by the Chief Constable (Paper AP15/68)
5. Performance Priorities - Monitoring Report 1 October 2014 to 30 September 2015 Report by the Chief Constable (Paper AP15/69)
6. Financial Monitoring as at 30 September 2015 Report by the Chief Constable (Paper AP15/71)
7. Suffolk Collaboration Report by the Chief Constable (Paper AP15/72)
8. Joint Custody Services - Service Delivery and Performance Update Report by the Chief Constable (Paper AP15/73)

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3. Update on the Solved Rate of Serious Sexual Offences (SSO) and Domestic Burglary (DB)

At the Panel meeting on 5 July 2013 it was agreed that the Panel would receive information updates, at each meeting, on the performance of the solved rate for serious sexual offences and for domestic burglary. There are regular performance updates available on the PCC's website at: <http://www.suffolk-pcc.gov.uk/about-us/monitoring-performance>.

In addition, for the 29 Jan 2016 meeting, there is a specific agenda item on SSO (Agenda Item 6).

For further information about the PCC's Police & Crime Plan Performance Progress Report please contact the PCC Office: Email: spcc@suffolk.pnn.police.uk Tel: 01473 782773.

4. Task & Finish Group – Community Safety Partnerships (CSP) and Strong & Safe Communities Group (SSCG)

At the Panel meeting on 9 Oct 2015 it was agreed to set up a Task and Finish Group to look at CSPs. The group has been established, with Cllrs P.Gardiner, D.Kearsley and C.Hedgeley, and Revd Canon P.Daltry. The Terms of Reference of the T&F Group are set out below, for information:

Suffolk Police and Crime Panel – Task & Finish Group to look at CSPs

Background: At the Police and Crime Panel meeting on 9 Oct 2015, in discussion of the PCC's Objective regarding 'Preventing - Crime & Anti-Social Behaviour', there was reference to the activity of the voluntary sector, closer working with mental health agencies, the importance of Safer

Neighbourhood Teams, closer working with Community Safety Partnerships, and the changing pattern of crime (more 'hidden' and online). The Panel resolved to set up a small 'Task & Finish' group to look at Community Safety Partnerships and the 'Strong and Safe Communities Group for Suffolk' (of which the PCC is a member), in order to have better clarity of their inter-relationships and funding arrangements.

Suggested Terms of Reference for the Task and Finish Group:

Membership: Ideally 4 members of the Panel, one each associated with West, East and Ipswich areas and one of the independent co-opted members.

Objective / Purpose: to understand the key purpose, current status, action plans and key issues of each of the three Suffolk Community Safety Partnerships (CSP) and the new 'Strong & Safe Communities' group (SSCG), how they are resourced, and how they inter-relate to each other, the Constabulary and the Police and Crime Commissioner.

[NB. At present there are three partnerships in Suffolk: Western Suffolk (covering Babergh, Forest Heath, Mid Suffolk and St Edmundsbury), Ipswich CSP and Suffolk Coastal and Waveney CSP]

Suggested Approach:

- An initial meeting of the group to plan/scope their work
- In singles or pairs, meet up with the Chairman of each CSP and the SSCG, for a brief discussion of the areas in the above 'Objective / Purpose'.
- A second meeting of the group to review/summarise initial findings
- Singly or in pairs, meet up with (i) the Chief Constable or his senior rep, and (ii) the Chief Exec of the PCC's Office or his senior rep, for a brief discussion of the areas in the above 'Objective / Purpose', in context of the information already gleaned from CSPs/SSCG.
- A third meeting of the group to review/summarise findings and formulate conclusions
- A report back from the group to the main PCP (probably at the March meeting?); this will be an opportunity for the PCP to ask further questions of the PCC in relation to the T&F Group findings.
- Disband the group (any follow on work to be done as a new T&F group if required)

Timescale:

- Nov 2015 - T&F Group to be formed and have initial meeting
- Dec 2015/Jan 2016 – Meetings with CSP / CCSG Chairs
- Jan 2016 – second meeting of the Group
- Early Feb 2016 - Meetings with CC / OPCC
- End-Feb 2016 – Third meeting of the Group, to formulate conclusions
- 18 Mar 2016 – T&F Group reports back to main PCP and disbands

Resources:

- Panel member involvement and travel/expenses as per the usual Panel arrangements
- Panel support officer(s) to assist with co-ordination of meetings, research, documentation, etc.

***Possible Additional Question Areas regarding the (new) SSCG:**

- whereas the Local Safeguarding Children Board acts as a facilitator of senior level strategic partnership working focused on safeguarding children, would the SSCG

see itself in a similar facilitative role but with regard to the matter of Domestic Abuse / Violence in Suffolk?

- how senior is the membership of the SSCG?
- Is there a Lead partner with regard to DA/DV strategic planning in Suffolk?
- Is the SSCG the body responsible for '*the preparation of a community safety agreement by the county strategy group formed by the responsible authorities in a county area under regulation 8*' of the [Regulations](#), and for sending this document to the PCC?

***Possible Additional Question Areas regarding each CSP:**

- What is understood to be the core purpose and responsibilities of the CSP, and how aligned is it to the Home Office Policy Paper (Updated 8 May 2015) '2010 to 2015 government policy: crime prevention', which states that "We're reducing crime by: using CSPs and PCCs, to work out local approaches to deal with issues, including antisocial behaviour, drug or alcohol misuse and re-offending" and that "CSPs and PCCs will work together by: CSPs sending their annual community safety plan and strategy to their local PCC, 1 or more CSPs attending PCC meetings, CSPs submitting any merger requests to their PCC, and the PCC asking for reports from CSPs on specific issues"?
- Does the CSP have a current Partnership Plan for addressing crime and disorder issues in its area, and has it been shared with the PCC, as required by the [Regulations](#)?

Appendices: *[not attached]*

- **APPENDIX A** - Home Office Policy Paper: (Updated 8 May 2015) - 2010 to 2015 government policy: crime prevention
- **APPENDIX B1** - Strong and Safe Communities Group (SSCG) Terms of Reference
- **APPENDIX B2** - Strong and Safe Communities Group (SSCG) – Briefing Note for H&W Board meeting on 19 November 2015
- **APPENDIX C** - Other Useful References and Background Information:
 - o **Suffolk CSPs and the Suffolk PCC**
 - o **Legislation**
 - o **Examples of other CSPs**

P.Banjo, V1c, 18/12/15, Appendix updated 11/1/16

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5. Update on the Suffolk Local Policing Review

The updated version (January 2016) of the Suffolk Local Policing Review 'Constables County – All Change for Suffolk', that describes the local community policing transformation, is available online at <http://www.suffolk-pcc.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/Suffolk-Change-Constables-County-partner-version-2.pdf>, and is attached for reference as Annex 3, at the end of this Information Bulletin.

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6. Status Update of Police and Crime Panel Decisions from the previous Meetings

At the Panel meeting on 9 Oct 2015 and Confirmation Hearing of 6 Jan 2016 there were various decisions, recommendations or resolutions made. A summary list and a corresponding status update is shown at Annex 2 Status Update of Panel Decisions from the 9 Oct 2015 and 6 Jan 2016 Meetings.

Contact Details

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Decision	Title and link	Summary
4 – 2016 (18-1-16)	4 – 2016 – Proposed Precept Level and Council Tax Requirement 2016-17	Proposed Precept Level and Council Tax Requirement 2016-17: 4 – 2016 Proposed Precept Level and Council Tax Requirement 2016-17 (PDF, 176KB) Appendix 1 Scrutiny of precept guidance (PDF, 356KB) Appendices Ai and Aii – Options 1 and 2 (PDF, 44KB) Appendix E Alternative Precept Strategies (PDF, 176KB) Appendix G Council Tax and Budget Options (PDF, 20KB)
3 – 2016 (18-1-16)	3 – 2016 – Medium Term Financial Plan 2016-2017 to 2019-2020	Medium Term Financial Plan 2016-17 to 2019-2020: 3 – 2016 Medium Term Financial Plan 2016-17 to 2019-2020 (PDF, 76KB) Appendix 1 Medium Term Financial Plan 16-17 to 19-20 (PDF, 500KB) Appendices A – G Medium Term Financial Plan 16-17 to 19-20 (PDF, 340KB) Appendix H – Annual Investment and Treasury Strategy (PDF, 352KB) Appendix I Lending Limits and List of Approved Institutions (PDF, 108KB)
2 – 2016 (8-1-16)	2 – 2016 – Appointment of Chief Constable (PDF, 596KB)	This is the decision to appoint the new Chief Constable, following consideration of the PCC's proposed appointment by the Police and Crime Panel on 6 Jan 2016
1 – 2016 (5-1-16)	1 – 2016 – Award of Grant Waveney Domestic Violence and Abuse Forum (PDF, 2.11MB)	This is a grant of £5,000 to Waveney Domestic Violence and Abuse Forum for the period 1 Jan to 31 Mar 2016, and commitment to an award of £20,000 for the financial year 2016/17, subject to review and agreement of output and outcome measures.
51 – 2015 (22-12-15)	51 – 2015 – Proposed Appointment of Chief Constable (PDF, 772KB)	This is the notification to the Police and Crime Panel of the PCC's proposed Chief Constable appointment, for consideration at the Confirmation Hearing on 6 Jan.
50 – 2015 (1-12-15)	50 – 2015 – Appointment of Legally Qualified Chairs (PDF, 1.11MB)	This is the establishment of a Regional list of nominations to serve as legally qualified chairs of misconduct panels, effective from 1 Jan 2016. This has been undertaken on a collaborative basis by the six Offices of PCCs within the Region
49 – 2015 (20-11-15)	49 – 2015 – Creation of a Joint ATHENA Investigations Hub Function (PDF, 2.7MB)	This is approval of the business case to establish a joint Athena Investigations Hub for Suffolk and Norfolk
48 – 2015 (9-11-15)	48 – 2015 – Award of Crime and Disorder Reduction Grant – Ipswich Taxi Marshals (PDF, 512KB)	This is a grant of £5,000 for the period 1 Nov 2015 to 31 Oct 2016 to Ipswich Central for delivery of Taxi Marshals

47 – 2015 (26-10-15)	47 – 2015 – Diversity Strategy (PDF, 8.95MB)	This presents a Diversity Strategy and three action plans for delivery of the priorities identified within the strategy.
46 – 2015 (20-10-15)	46 – 2015 – Varied Police and Crime Plan 2013 – 2017 (PDF, 2.44MB)	This is the final version of the varied Plan following comments from the Panel.
45 – 2015 (8-10-15)	45-2015 – Award of Grant – Victim Led Restorative Justice Hub (PDF, 304KB)	This is for a grant of £52,345.50 to Victim Support to provide a Victim-led Restorative Justice Hub, for the period 1 Sep 2015 to 31 Aug 2016.
44 – 2015 (8-10-15)	44-2015 Award of Crime and Disorder Reduction Grant – Hate Crime Partnership (PDF, 264KB)	This is for a grant of £24,395 to Victim Support, on behalf of the Hate Crime Partnership, for delivery of services to victims of hate crime.
43 – 2015 (30-9-15)	43 – 2015 – The Draft PCC Group Statement of Accounts 2014/15 Including the Annual Governance Statement 2015	This is the PCC’s Group Statement of Accounts 2014/15 and Annual Governance Statement: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Draft PCC Group Statement of Accounts 2014-15 including the Annual Governance Statement (PDF, 602KB) - The Police and Crime Commissioner for Suffolk Group and PCC Statement of Accounts 31 March 2015 (PDF, 3.78MB) - Annual Governance Statement 2015 (PDF, 1.04MB)

Decisions of the Police and Crime Commissioner containing confidential information

(NB. Decision papers in this category are not publicly available. A brief explanation of the nature of each is provided: <http://www.suffolk-pcc.gov.uk/decisions/decisions-containing-confidential-information>)

C6 – 2016	Collaboration Agreement – Civil Nuclear Constabulary (Approved 18-01-16)
C5 – 2016	Suffolk Local Policing Review – Estate Implications (Approved 14-01-16)
C4 – 2016	Haverhill Police Station – Deed of Variation (Approved 14-01-16)
C3 – 2016	Felixstowe Dock – Lease – Rent Review (Approved 14-01-16)
C2 – 2016	National Police Air Service (NPAS) Site – RAF Wattisham (Approved 14-01-16)
C1 – 2016	Building Maintenance Programme – Martlesham Site (Approved 14-01-16)
C19 – 2015	Business Support Functions Operating Model Business Case (Approved 26-11-15)
C18 – 2015	Suffolk Local Policing Review (Approved 20-11-15)
C17 – 2015	Employment Issue (Approved 20-11-15)
C16 – 2015	Digital Strategy – Phase 2 – Rationalisation Plans for Legacy Systems (Approved 27-10-15)

Annex 2 Status Update of Panel Decisions from the 9 Oct 2015 and 6 Jan 2016 Meetings:

Item	Status Update
<p>Status Review of PCC Plan Objective 3 (Preventing - Crime & ASB)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Panel resolved to set up a small 'Task & Finish' group to look at Community Safety Partnerships and the 'Strong and Safe Communities Group for Suffolk' (of which the PCC is a member), in order to have better clarity of their inter-relationships and funding arrangements. • The Panel recommended to the PCC that a full update be provided for the Panel's January 2016 meeting, on the PCC / Constabulary plans for Safer Neighbourhood Teams. 	<p>T&F Group established. See the Terms of Reference elsewhere in this Information Bulletin. Teleconference meetings held with some of the CSP Chairmen.</p> <p>The Suffolk Local Policing Review, as updated on 20 Jan 2016, is included within this Information Bulletin.</p>
<p>PCC Annual Report for 2014/15</p> <p>The Panel recommended to the PCC, in light of the concerns about solving Serious Sexual Offences (SSO), that a review of the Constabulary's investigative processes should be undertaken as part of a report from the PCC to the Panel in January 2016 on what the PCC is doing in order to improve the constabulary's SSO solved rate performance.</p>	<p>See Agenda Item 6, Serious Sexual Offences, for the PCP meeting on 29 January 2016</p>
<p>Lowestoft Rising Partnership work update</p> <p>The Panel recommended to the PCC that he liaise with the Chief Constable and with Chief Executives of other Suffolk public organisations, to see how senior lead managers can be assigned, similar to the successful approach in Lowestoft Rising, to bring professional leadership to partnership initiatives in other parts of the county, such as in Ipswich.</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>
<p>6 Jan 2016 – Chief Constable Confirmation Hearing</p> <p>The Panel recommended to the PCC that Gareth Wilson should be appointed to the role of Chief Constable of Suffolk Constabulary.</p>	<p>The Panel's formal report was published on 7 Jan 2016. The PCC published on 8 Jan 2016 his formal Decision to appoint the Chief Constable.</p>

