

Agenda item 8

Police and Crime Panel

7 October 2016

PCC Annual Report for the Financial year 2015/16

Summary

1. The Panel will review the PCC's Annual Report 2015/16, ask questions of the PCC, and make any recommendations to the PCC in relation to the content of his Report.

Focus of the agenda item

2. The scope of focus is the work of the PCC during the financial year from April 2015 to March 2016. Some areas of potential interest, identified by Panel members in advance of having sight of the PCC's annual report, were:
 - a) The use of the increased precept (2%) last year – how effective was this?
 - b) The financial outturn and revenue budget overspend.
 - c) The Local Policing Review (from the PCC's perspective, ie. an operational transformation in the context of the PCC's strategy)

Recommendations

3. The Panel is recommended to:
 - a) Have regard to the information in this covering report and in the associated Evidence Set, ie. the PCC Annual Report for the Financial year 2015/16.
 - b) Review the annual report, ask questions of the PCC, and make a report or recommendations on the annual report to the PCC.
 - c) Agree that if a formal report is to be produced, on the annual report to the PCC, that this be delegated to the Chairman of the Panel.

Background

4. Part 1, S12 of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 states, "*Each elected local policing body must produce a report (an "annual report") on— (a) the exercise of the body's functions in each financial year, and (b) the progress which has been made in the financial year in meeting the police and crime objectives in the body's police and crime plan.*"

5. A Police and Crime Panel must:

- arrange for a public meeting of the panel to be held as soon as practicable after the Panel is sent an annual report,
- ask the Police and Crime Commissioner, at that meeting, such questions about the annual report as the members of the Panel think appropriate,
- review the annual report, and
- make a report or recommendations on the annual report to the Commissioner.

Supporting Information

6. **Evidence Set:**

- (i) Evidence Set 1 (*report booklet attached separately*): Suffolk PCC Annual Report – 2015/16, September 2016.

7. **Background Information** (For reference; not attached)

- (i) Police & Crime Plan 2013-17 (varied version 1.1), July 2015: <http://www.suffolk-pcc.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2013/06/Police-and-Crime-Plan-2013-2017-Version-14-for-publication.pdf>
- (ii) PCC website: <http://www.suffolk-pcc.gov.uk/>

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