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**MINUTES** of a meeting of **DERBYSHIRE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL** held on Thursday, 17 March 2022 in The Council Chamber, County Hall, Matlock.

## **PRESENT**

V Newbury (in the Chair)

Councillors G Potter (Derby City Council), A Barrow (High Peak Borough Council), V Clare (Erewash Borough Council), C Hart (Derbyshire County Council), C Moesby (Bolsover District Council) (substitute for M Dooley), G Rhind (South Derbyshire District Council) and S Handsley (Independent Member)

Officers present: Alec Dubberley (Head of Democratic and Registration Services) and Jackie Wardle (Improvement and Scrutiny Officer).

Also present: Angelique Foster (Police and Crime Commissioner) and Andrew Dale, Joseph Rhodes - Orwin and Marie Romano (OPCC)

### **8/22 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor G Potter (Panel Vice-Chair) was in the Chair.

None received.

### **9/22 MINUTES**

#### **RESOLVED:**

To approve, as a correct record, the Minutes of the meeting held on 27 January 2022 subject to the following amendments:

- 1) Remove Councillor Carter from the list of those present;
- 2) Correcting the typo on the word "plan" in minute 07/22; and
- 3) Clarifying that the purpose of the Commissioner's attendance at the event referred to in minute 05/22 was to present the Police and Crime Plan.

### **10/22 APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT PANEL MEMBERS**

Consideration was given to a report of the Director of Legal and Democratic Services, which had been circulated in advance of the meeting, reporting the results of the recently held recruitment process for

Independent Members of the Panel which made a recommendation for appointment.

The Chair thanked Jackie Wardle and Lee Gregory from Derbyshire County Council for their diligence in the recruitment and interview process.

**RESOLVED to:**

Approve the appointment of Vicky Newbury and Dr Stephen Handsley as Independent Members of the Derbyshire Police and Crime Panel for a period of four years.

Vicky Newbury took the Chair

**11/22 POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR DERBYSHIRE ON ANNUAL REPORT 2020-21 - VERBAL UPDATE**

Consideration was given to the Annual report of the Police and Crime Commissioner covering the period April 2020 to March 2021.

Members noted that the report covered the tenure of the previous Police and Crime Commissioner who left office in May 2021.

**RESOLVED:**

To note the report and that it would be published on the website of the Police and Crime Commissioner.

**12/22 POLICE AND CRIME PLAN UPDATE FROM THE PCC**

The Panel welcomed Angelique Foster, Police and Crime Commissioner for Derbyshire, to give a verbal update on the Police and Crime Plan as follows:

- After the plan was published, the Chief Constable drafted an operational delivery plan to deliver on the six priorities identified by the PCC;
- Since the publication of the plan lots more public engagement on it had taken place
- Anti-social behaviour grants were taken up by 22 organisations to use in their communities

- Safer street funding had been distributed to enable measures such as improved CCTV and lighting and bystander training
- A meeting held on the subject of violence against women and girls and this area of concern was reflected across the PCC's priorities.
- The PCC holds regular meetings with the Chief Constable in order to hold the force to account on each of the six priorities.
- 20 life saving kits installed across Derby City in licensed premises
- Some work had been done on the issue of Illegal encampment issues, which had been identified as an area of concern. This was due to the perception that that the Police did not support residents with the issues caused by this. Meetings had been held with affected communities and an Illegal encampment task force had been established in Northeast Derbyshire designed to enable agencies to work quickly in partnership to address issues caused. It is hoped to create other similar task forces in other areas of the force area in partnership with Local Councils.
- The PCC has held meetings to discuss knife crime and managing community tensions.
- There were plans for further engagement with the community, but it was not feasible for the PCC to attend all Parish Councils/Community Board meetings.
- The PCC had paid a visit to the safe space scheme in Derby City which was operating successfully
- The PCC had visited a variety of rural areas to present the Police and Crime plan and discuss rural crime specifically so that residents feel supported.
- On International Woman's Day an event was held to highlight services available to women crime victims in Derbyshire.
- The PCC had recently joined the volunteer street pastors in Derby who support the night-time economy and she was able to see first hand how they support vulnerable residents.
- The PCC had visited a scheme in Belper that provides specific independent support service for deaf and blind residents across Derbyshire.

- The PCC's office is keen to increase the number of neighbourhood watch schemes across the area with improved support from the Police.
- There is a big focus on road safety in March and the PCC had recently become a member of the Derbyshire road safety partnership. There would be continued work with partners to bring down the number of road deaths.
- The PCC had supported a trial scheme for speed indicator devices to be installed across Derbyshire by the County Council. Funding has been made available and she is keen for the trial to be success.

In response to question from the Panel, the PCC advised that it was high on her agenda to deal with any form of discrimination in Derbyshire Police. She was fully aware of such issues in other parts of the problem and the Chief Constable was actively working to address.

**RESOLVED:**

To note the information.

**13/22 ESTABLISHMENT OF A WORKING GROUP TO CONSIDER PCP ARRANGEMENTS FOLLOWING THE NAPFCP SURVEY**

Councillor Potter advised that there had been a recent survey published by the National Association of Police Fire and Crime Panels and it was suggested that a working group was established to look at best practice that could be applied to Derbyshire. Further it was agreed that the Panel's Terms of Reference could be reviewed as part of the working group.

**RESOLVED to:**

- 1) Establish a working group to look at the Panel's operations and terms of reference in light of the NAPFCP survey; and
- 2) Seek volunteers to be part of the working group after the meeting.

**14/22 PROPOSED TIMETABLE OF MEETINGS 2022/23**

Consideration was given to a report of the Director of Legal and Democratic Services which set out a proposed schedule of Panel meetings for the next municipal year.

It was noted that this schedule was subject to change and that additional

meetings were likely to be needed.

**RESOLVED to:**

Approve the timetable of meetings for 2022/2023.

**15/22 ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE PCC**

No specific announcements were made.

**16/22 FORTHCOMING EVENTS**

Nothing was raised under this item.

**17/22 DATE OF NEXT MEETING - 23 JUNE 2022 AT 10AM**

The date of the next meeting was noted.

The meeting finished at 11.30 am