

Public Document Pack

HUMBERSIDE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL

6 September 2022

PRESENT: -

East Riding of Yorkshire Council	Councillor J Abraham Councillor B Gateshill	(Vice-Chair)
Hull City Council	Councillor A Singh Councillor L Tock	
North East Lincolnshire Council	Councillor K Shutt	
North Lincolnshire Council	Councillor J Davison Councillor R Hannigan	
Independent Members	Mrs H Chase Mrs S Whittaker	(Chair)

The meeting was held at the Ergo Connects Centre, Bridgehead Business Park, Hessle.

- 457 **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS** - The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and invited all in attendance to introduce themselves and state the capacity in which they were attending the meeting. The Chair also welcomed Councillor K Shutt to the meeting, who had replaced Councillor J Goodwin as one of the North East Lincolnshire Council representatives on the Panel.
- 458 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** - That it be noted that apologies for absence had been received from Councillor M Coward (Hull City Council), Councillor C Holmes (East Riding of Yorkshire Council) and Councillor H Dawkins (North East Lincolnshire Council).
- 459 **SUBSTITUTIONS** - There were no substitutes at the meeting.
- 460 **DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND PERSONAL OR PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS (SUCH DECLARATIONS ARE TO BE MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MEMBERS' RESPECTIVE COUNCIL'S CODE OF CONDUCT)** - There were no declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and Personal or Personal and Prejudicial interests.
- 461 **TO TAKE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PANEL HELD ON 5 JULY 2022 AS A CORRECT RECORD AND AUTHORISE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN - Resolved** - That the minutes of the meeting of the Police and Crime Panel held on 5 July 2022, having been printed and circulated amongst the members, be taken as read and correctly recorded.
- 462 **HUMBERSIDE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER – UPDATE** - The

HUMBERSIDE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL

6 September 2022

Chairman welcomed Jonathan Evison, Humberside Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) to the meeting. The Chairman confirmed that Mr Evison had been invited to provide an update to the Panel on any matters of interest, and to respond to any questions about his role.

The Police and Crime Commissioner informed the Panel of the following –

- The Humber Violence Prevention Partnership was launched in late July and joined 18 other Violence Reduction Units across England and Wales which had been operating since 2019. A total of £3.5m would be provided by the Home Office to develop and operate the partnership over the next three years to identify the causes of violent crime and lead the local response to preventing and reducing violence through targeted interventions.
- To assist the Humber Violence Prevention Partnership, the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment was being re-written to assist with the allocation of the monies.
- His Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary and Fire and Rescue Services had now concluded its Police Efficiency, Effectiveness and Legitimacy (PEEL) inspection into Humberside Police. The Inspector had fed back to the Police and Police and Crime Commissioner, with the initial conclusions being positive.
- The Commissioners Community Safety Fund offered grants towards the costs of community safety and crime reduction projects across the Humber area. It was designed to support community organisations to kick-start local projects that would cut crime and antisocial behaviour and improve feelings of safety. The Fund could provide funding of between £500 and £35,000 towards projects that meet the scheme criteria. A total of £1.1m had been allocated to the Fund between 2022/23 and 2024/25. 74 applications had been received in round 1, with 20 applications shortlisted. Round 2 opened on 1 September and would close on 3 October 2022.
- The PCC's Annual Report would be presented before the next meeting of the Panel.
- Humberside Police had implemented a new system in the Control Centre to triage complaints, which saw civilians more involved.
- The impact of the decision of the Home Office to close the Initial Police Learning and Development Programme (IPLDP) recruitment route from next April following requests from the College of Policing.
- An update on the recruitment of additional police officers.
- The domestic abuse campaign ran over the summer had been a huge success: 331,000 people had accessed information, over one million people saw the promotional information, 648 people accessed online services and 372 new victims came forward.
- The Commissioner was holding an online "meet the Commissioner" event.
- Despite calls for service increasing for the first time since the pandemic, average call handling times had increased too.

Following the Commissioner's verbal presentation, the Chairman facilitated a discussion between the Panel Members and Mr Evison, with particular

HUMBERSIDE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL
6 September 2022

attention being paid to the decision of the Home Office to close the Initial Police Learning and Development Programme recruitment route.

Resolved – (a) That the contents of the verbal presentation be noted, (b) that Mr Evison be thanked for his verbal update and for responding to members' questions, and (c) that the Chair, on behalf of the Panel, write to the Minister of State for Crime, Policing and Fire to share the Panel's concern following the closure of the Initial Police Learning and Development Programme (IPLDP) recruitment route and its impact on Humberside Police.

463 **UNDERSTANDING VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND GIRLS IN THE HUMBER AREA** - The Police and Crime Commissioner for Humberside informed the meeting that he had recently commissioned leading research and training organisation VictimFocus, led by Dr Jessica Taylor, who had extensive experience of working with victims and survivors to run a survey of women and girls aged 16+ in the Humber area to help build a real picture of what violence against women and girls looked like in the Humber region.

The aim of the study was to help facilitate discussion and ultimately long-term outcomes in addressing male violence against women and girls.

The Chief Executive Officer at the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner guided the Panel through a presentation, which identified the key findings from the survey, which were –

Of the 1425 adult women participants aged 18 years old +)

- 52% of women had been slapped or punched in adulthood
- 31% of women had been strangled or choked in adulthood
- 9% of women had been forced or coerced into a termination in adulthood
- 75% of women had been sexually assaulted (sexually touched without consent only)
- 48% of women had been raped

Contact with Criminal Justice (women aged 18+)

- Any crimes that happened before age of 18 only had a 10-12% chance of being reported (this included all sexual, physical, emotional and harassment crimes)
- Despite this, 48% said they had disclosed or sought help elsewhere
- Further, in adulthood, women were more likely to report domestic abuse physical assault crimes (27% had reported)
- However, this dropped to 13% for sexual crimes and 10% for coercive control

Girls aged 16+

- Reporting is much lower in this age group, with 5-8% reporting any violence against women and girls crimes to police
- Despite this, 60% of the girls had disclosed or sought help elsewhere

HUMBERSIDE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL
6 September 2022

The Chief Executive then outlined the ten areas of improvement that Dr Taylor's report had identified as needing to be addressed in the Humber area.

The Chair then facilitated a discussion between the Panel, Mr Evison and Ms Cook on the findings of Dr Taylor's report into understanding violence against women and girls in the Humber area.

Resolved – (a) That the contents of the report and presentation be noted; (b) that Mr Evison and Ms Cook be thanked for their verbal update and for responding to members' questions, and (c) that any action plan on areas for improvement identified by Dr Taylor be considered by the Panel at a future meeting.

- 464 **HUMBERSIDE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER - YEAR END FINANCIAL OUTTURN REPORT 2021-22** - The Chairman invited the Police and Crime Commissioner and Chief Finance Officer at the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner to present the year-end financial outturn report for 2021-22.

Mr Evison and Mr Wilson provided information on the financial outturn performance of Humberside Police, the Police and Crime Commissioner for Humberside and the Capital Charges that had been incurred.

The Chairman then facilitated a discussion between the Panel Members and Mr Evison and Mr Wilson.

Resolved – That the Humberside Police and Crime Commissioner year-end financial outturn report for 2021-22 be received with thanks.

- 465 **HUMBERSIDE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL ANNUAL REPORT 2021-22** - The Secretary to the Panel circulated its annual report for 2021-22. Members discussed the content and its accuracy.

Resolved – That the Humberside Police and Crime Panel Annual Report for 2021-22 be approved and published on the Panel's website.

- 466 **COMPLAINTS REPORT** - The Secretary to the Police and Crime Panel circulated a report which provided the Panel with an update on complaints made against the Humberside Police and Crime Commissioner during the period 1 April 2022 to 29 August 2022.

As part of the complaint's procedure, it was agreed that the Police and Crime Panel would receive quarterly monitoring reports, at their formal meetings, on the number of complaints received.

During the period 1 April 2022 to 29 August 2022, there had been no complaints submitted against the Police and Crime Commissioner for Humberside.

HUMBERSIDE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL
6 September 2022

Resolved – That the report be noted.

- 467 **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION POLICE AND CRIME PANEL WEBINAR - 27 SEPTEMBER 2022** - The Secretary circulated details of a free Local Government Association webinar that was being held on Tuesday 27 September 2022. The webinar was aimed at Panel Members and Support Officers of Police and Crime Panels.

Resolved – That the position be noted.

- 468 **11TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE FOR POLICE, FIRE AND CRIME PANELS - 10-11 NOVEMBER 2022** - The Secretary informed the Panel of the arrangements for the 11th Annual Conference for Police, Fire and Crime Panels on 10 and 11 November 2022. The Conference would again be held at Scarman House, University of Warwick, with a hybrid option also available to Panel Members,

Resolved – That Panel Members contact the Secretary should they wish to attend the Conference.

- 469 **DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING - 17 OCTOBER 2022 - Resolved** – That the Panel's next meeting date be 17 October 2022, commencing at 10:00 am at Melton 2 Police Headquarters. The meeting was a member development session and therefore not a public meeting.

- 470 **ANY OTHER ITEMS THAT THE CHAIRMAN DECIDES ARE URGENT BY REASON OF SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES THAT MUST BE SPECIFIED** - There was no urgent business for consideration at the meeting.

This page is intentionally left blank