

**Force Performance Scrutiny Meeting**  
**Thursday 25 June 2015**  
**9:00am, PCC's Conference Room, Hoffmanns Way**

Present:-

Lindsay Whitehouse, Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner (DPCC), Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC)	LW
Wil Kennedy, Head of Corporate Services, Essex Police (EP)	WK
Jan Klimkowski, Communications Manager, OPCC	JK
Chief Inspector Tom Simons, EP	TS
Adam Pipe, Casualty Reduction Manager, EP	AP
Tina Bateman, Performance and Scrutiny Officer	TB

	<b>Matter Raised</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Owner</b>	<b>Date for Completion</b>
1.	<p><b>Matters arising</b> The actions from the previous meeting were addressed as follows:</p> <p>17/15 – completed 24/15 – SH progressing 25/15 – completed 27/15 – to follow 32/15 – completed 33/15 – completed 34/15 – completed 35/15 – completed 36/15 – to follow 37/15 – to follow 38/15 – completed 39/15 – completed 40/15 – completed</p>			All for completion by 30 <sup>th</sup> July 2015
2.	<p><b>Minutes of Performance Meeting held on 28 May 2015</b></p> <p>The minutes of the meeting were agreed.</p>	To be published on website	JK	3.07.15
3.	<p><b>Monthly Force Performance Reports:</b></p> <p>A detailed update report on Force performance for May 2015 was presented by Wil Kennedy. He advised that due to continued technical difficulties it had not been possible to provide all the usual data parameters for the Performance update this time.</p> <p>Additional discussion was undertaken around the following:</p>			

	<p><b>Supporting victims of crime</b> It was noted that Performance around user satisfaction has continued to decrease. WK highlighted that overall satisfaction appears to show a three month cycle. This is to be investigated.</p> <p><b>Reducing youth offending and re-offending in general.</b> LW queried the month referred to by the 'Monthly better/worse' data and the relevance of the figure, as the data is provided 18 months in arrears.</p> <p><b>Improving Crime Prevention</b> There has been a slight reduction in the number of all crime offences for the rolling 12 month period against the previous 12 months. However, there has been an increase in vehicle crime and burglary offences over the last two months. WK advised cross border intelligence with neighbouring forces and ANPR may be used to assist the investigation of these crimes.</p>	<p>41/15 – LW to request feedback from the Confidence Board from Gwanwyn Mason.</p> <p>42/15 – WK to clarify the month referred to by the 'Monthly better/worse' figure.</p>	<p>LW</p> <p>WK</p>	<p>30.07.15</p> <p>30.07.15</p>
4	<p><b>Road Safety</b> Adam Pipe presented this report. Further discussion was as follows:</p> <p>AP highlighted that it is not appropriate to compare the data for the three Local Policing Areas (LPAs) due to the variations in size, highway environment and population demographics. He stated that vulnerable road users are at greater risk in urban areas.</p> <p>The south LPA has the highest proportion of collisions involving vulnerable road users. AP advised of a high number of incidents involving cyclists and pedestrians in Southend. This is attributed to the presence of tourists and also unfamiliarity with the facility shared by cyclists, pedestrians and drivers in the town.</p> <p>AP stated that collisions involving pedal cyclists and motorcyclists increase in summer, when there are more riders on the roads. The greatest risk to pedestrians occurs during the longer hours of darkness during the winter.</p>	<p>43/15 – AP to add additional sentence to report to further explain incidents in South LPA.</p>	<p>AP</p>	<p>30.07.15</p>

	<p>Over the last three years there has been a 37% increase in incidents where a person over 76 years of age has been at fault. In response EP have undertaken a campaign of speaking to older drivers outside supermarkets. EP are to adopt the 'older driver forum' initiative as used in Hampshire, which identifies problems and assists older drivers to stay safe on the roads.</p> <p>AP advised that the 'Honest truth' campaign, which is aimed at educating young drivers is going well. EP is currently engaging with a company to create an associated App.</p> <p>Collisions involving Motorcyclists remain an area of concern, with incidents reaching the highest proportionate level ever. The 'Hugger' initiative in the eastern region encourages cars and motorcyclists to look out for each other.</p> <p>AP said that focussing on improving the behaviour, compliance and hazard perception of young drivers and motorcycle riders is likely to have the greatest impact in reducing the number of people injured in road traffic collisions.</p> <p>The Safer Essex Roads Partnership (SERP) has developed a 5 year plan focused on the delivery of a programme of road safety enforcement and education.</p> <p>AP stated that the £15,000 provided by the PCCs office from the CSDF will be used to purchase further equipment to support the development of Community Speed Watch (CSW) in Essex. CSW volunteers will be encouraged to take a role within the Essex Fire and Rescue Parish Volunteer scheme, in recognition of the wider impact and benefit they can have upon delivering safer roads within their own communities. LW advised wider community safety is supported by himself and the PCC.</p>	44/15 – LW to provide AP with a referral to Age UK.	LW	30.07.15
5	<p><b>Honour Based Abuse (HBA), Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) and Forced Marriage (FM)</b></p> <p>Chief inspector Tom Simons presented this report. Further discussion was as follows:</p>			

	<p>The data showed an increase in confirmed recorded cases of from 8 in 2012/13 to 41 cases in 2014/15. It is believed this is mainly attributable to increased public and practitioner awareness.</p> <p>Forced marriage became an offence in June 2014. There have been two cases to date that necessitated an application for a forced marriage order. Both occasions involved children and the applications were led by Children's social care.</p> <p>WK advised that a recent HMIC report, based on force document submission found EP to be prepared for HBA cases on two out of 4 areas. Others forces considered at risk will be visited by HMIC.</p> <p>There were no recommendations from the report, but EP have identified a number of areas for improvement, which will be added to the Protecting Vulnerable People improvement plan.</p> <p>TS advised EP are to consider passing HBA cases routinely through the Multi Agency Risk Assessment Conferences (MARAC).</p> <p>He highlighted the importance of the HBA working group and the need for supporting partners and agencies to bring together and share information from around the county. He suggested a senior practitioner lead and more frequent meetings would be beneficial.</p> <p>LW stated that Hidden Harm is an area of focus for the PCC conference 2016 and invited TS to consider items for inclusion.</p> <p>LW commented that the sharing of health data, similar to the scheme around knife crime in Cardiff, may help to identify cases of HBA.</p>	<p>45/15 – LW to provide contact details for Prof Tony Young (Anglia Ruskin University) to WK.</p>	<p>LW</p>	<p>30.07.15</p>
<p>6</p>	<p><b>Any other business</b></p> <p>No further matters were raised.</p>			
	<p><b>Date of Next Meeting</b></p>	<p>Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2015 9:00– 11:00, OPCC Conference room</p>		