POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR LEICESTERSHIRE

POLICE AND CRIME PANEL

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Report of	POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER

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Subject POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER PRIORITIES

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Purpose of Report

1. To inform and update the Police and Crime Panel on my priorities covering this term of office, subject to public consultation and the production of my first Police and Crime Plan.

Recommendations

2. To note the contents of the report.

My priorities

- 3. As Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland I am required to produce a Police and Crime Plan which covers my term of office. Attached to this brief report at Annex A is an indicative timetable for the production of my Plan for the coming four years.
- 4. My first priority is to reduce crime and the fear of crime. I am also committed to improving community safety.
- 5. To achieve this ambition I will focus on increasing police visibility of frontline officers and staff.
- 6. I aim to make sure that police are based in local communities, by strengthening neighbourhood policing and also reviewing how rural or remote communities are protected. Wherever in Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland people live, work or visit I will respond to the safety issues highlighted to me through consultation and engagement.
- 7. I also want to encourage more people to report the sometimes "hidden crimes": domestic violence, hate crime, cyber-crime and antisocial behaviour; crimes which are often under-reported, and which along with other intensely damaging hidden crimes of Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE), Female Genital Mutilation (FGM), Forced Marriage (FM) and Honour Based Violence (HBV),cause great misery to those affected.

8. I will be working hard to improve the support available to victims of the above crimes and all other crimes and antisocial behaviour.

My pledges

- 9. I will also focus on the pledges made in my manifesto, which include retaining the independence of the Fire Service from the Police, whilst reviewing how blue light services across the area can increase and enhance collaborative opportunities.
- 10. I also pledged to raise the awareness of the role of Police and Crime Commissioner and the work of my office to enhance interaction within our communities. I want to reflect the views and demands at the heart of our communities across Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland, and to do this I will engage our communities to determine what is important to them. We will then work together to achieve those changes. My Chief Executive has now produced a first draft of my Public Engagement Strategy and once I have taken the opportunity to review this, together with other emerging strategies e.g. Communication Strategy, Commissioning Strategy, I will of course share these documents with members of the Panel.
- 11. I strongly believe in working closely with local authorities and see this as a crucial part of my job. I commenced work on this from day 1 of taking up office and will continue with this commitment in the future.

Implications

Financial: None

Legal: There is a legal requirement to have a Police and Crime Plan in place.

Equality Impact Assessment: The Police and Crime Plan when written is equality impact assessed.

Risks and Impact: A full risk assessment will be undertaken as part of the development of the Police and Crime Plan

Link to Police and Crime Plan: As specified above.

List of Appendices

Appendix A – Police and Crime Plan Indicative Timetable

Background Papers

None applicable to this report.

Persons to Contact

Lord Willy Bach, Police and Crime Commissioner