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# Police and Crime Panel for Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland 12 March 2024 Police and Crime Plan Delivery

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## Purpose of Report

- 1. As set out by the Police and Social Reform 2012 Act, in his role as the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC), the Commissioner is required to establish a Police and Crime Plan and deliver such a plan.
- 2. The PCC brings this report to outline for the Police and Crime Panel how he is fulfilling his duty by establishing and delivering a Police and Crime Plan.

## Request of the Panel

- 3. In light of their role in scrutinising the actions and decisions of the PCC, the Commissioner requests that the panel examines the contents of this report. He would specifically like to ask the panel their opinion on the following questions;
  - a. Is the Panel content in the progress made by the PCC in relation to the delivery of his Police and Crime Plan?
  - b. Would the panel like to make any recommendations to the PCC in relation to this matter?

#### <u>Summary</u>

- 4. This report focuses on the 11 main themes of the 2021-2024 Police and Crime Plan. Towards the end of this report there are dashboards for each Police and Crime Plan priority detailing progress made on delivering each priority. This report aims to provide a balanced account of delivery to the period ending December 2023. The measure of delivery was decided on following extensive consultation with members of the OPCC, Police and other partners.
- 5. Whilst the report sets out to outline the collective progress against each of the commitments, it does not contain an exhaustive list of all delivery activity and there are some commitments that are still in the delivery stage. As per the Police and Crime Reform Act, the Police and Crime Plan set by the incumbent PCC, is designed to run until the end of March 2025 to enable a new plan for the new term to be fully researched and consulted on. Therefore, whilst a significant amount of positive progress has been made in relation to the Police and Crime Plan there are areas of the plan that will remain a focus until this date, or until a new plan is in place.
- 6. The data included in this report comes from a range of different sources including national crime statistics and surveys, Leicestershire Police, partner performance indicators and consultations carried out by the team. There is a mix of quantitative and qualitative measures and evidence presented which enables a more holistic and meaningful report to be presented.

- 7. Policing is a fast paced and dynamic environment in which priorities change and emerge over time. As such, the main priorities have remained the same, but some of the detail within each of those priorities may have been modified to keep pace with the changing landscape, Force and partner needs.
- The panel will also see the addition of a supplementary strategic theme below 'Trust and Confidence'. This was added by the PCC as an area of focus in Summer 2023 in response to a continued decline in public trust and confidence nationally and within LLR.

# **Background**

## Police and Crime Plan Overview

- 9. To enable the PCC to track impact as well as delivery, a key performance indicator (KPI) was attached to each priority in the Police and Crime Plan. Table one shows the movement in that between the baseline (2020/21 Financial Year) and current (end of 2023). These can be seen in Table One.
- 10. The dashboards on pages eight to twenty-nine of this report provide a summary of the ambitions within each section of the plan and a qualitative description of delivery. The final column in figure one above and the RAG rating in the dashboards show the confidence level of this work being completed by the end of March 2025 (the end date of the current Police and Crime Plan).

Table One

PCP Theme Total		Current	КРІ				Projected		
	RAG	Measure	Baseline 2020	Current	Trend	RAG			
Visible	40		Number of Special Constables	30	109		1000/		
Policing	10		% Police or Council dealing with Crime (CSEW)	51	46	•	- 100%		
Linhan Daliaing	10		Asset Recovery Incentivisation Scheme Income	866733	505750	•	- 100%		
Urban Policing	10		Number of Reported Urban Offences	33,940	35,213		100%		
Rural Policing	17		Number of Reported Rural Offences	15,813	24,793		94%		
High Tech	13		Number Electric Vehicles	0	7		- 92%		
Policing	15		Annual Energy Usage	14,310,294	10,284,362	•	9270		
N'hood	5	5	5		Number of Neighbourhood Officers	161	189		- 100%
Policing				5	bing 5	Number of Front Enquiry Offices	17	24	
Community	13	13	10		101 Call Performance	78	53	▼	- 92%
Policing				Number N'hood Alert Users	Data not Available	95,550	ŧ	9270	
Protecting	11	11		Number of Reported Shoplifting Offences	3,089	5,331		- 100%	
Business	11	11	Percentage Positive Outcomes in Relation to Shoplifting	20	21		100%		
Curbing	13		Number SV Offences	28,344	27,179	•	- 100%		
Violent Crime	15		Number Hospital Admissions	186	164	▼	100%		
Victims of	13		Victim Satisfaction	85	79	▼	100%		
Crime	10		Percentage Compliance with VCOP 30 86	86		- 100%			
Denta englia e	17		Percentage Police File Quality Compliance	29%	61%		100%		
Partnerships	17		Percentage Positive Outcome Rates for RASSO/DA	11%	13%		- 100%		
Trust and	9		Public Confidence Level (CSEW)	56	59		- 100%		
Confidence	ce 9	9		Complaints into Force	0	1,143	ŧ	100%	

- 11. Most measures have seen positive movement.
  - a. The number of special constables has increased by almost eighty.
  - b. Reporting of rural offences has increased providing quantitative data reinforcing the qualitative data the PCC is hearing that people are finding it easier to report.
  - c. The number of electric vehicles in the force has increased and the amount of electricity the force has used is decreasing.
  - d. The number of Neighbourhood Officers has increased by over 17% and there have been seven new front enquiry desks.
  - e. Although there is no baseline the number of Neighbourhood Alert subscribers is constantly increasing.
  - f. We have seen an increase in the number of shoplifting offences being properly reported, again reinforcing the qualitative data the DPCC is hearing that people are finding it easier to report.
  - g. There has also been a slight increase in the positive outcome rates surrounding shoplifting.
  - h. The number of hospital admissions in relation to serious violence has fallen, reinforcing the recognition of work in this area by the APCC.
  - i. Compliance with VCOP and File Quality have both increased significantly, which is great news for victims.
  - j. Linked to that we are now starting to see the benefit of that feed through to increased levels of positive outcomes for RASSO/DA
  - k. Finally, we are starting to see the indicators for public confidence rise as we are able to tell people about the work taking place, it's impact, increasing visibility and the Force starts to deliver on its Pledge.
- 12. Force Complaints are showing as unmeasurable this is due to data being unavailable for the baseline time period. The PCC monitors complaints through his Ethics and Transparency Panel.
- 13. Few measures have seen adverse movement.
  - a. Asset Recovery Incentivisation Scheme income the volume of income generated from this stream is variable year on year due to external factors, such as court processing time and total amount of assets available.
  - b. Number of Urban offences this KPI depicts the total volume of crime recorded within the City CSPs area, being the most urban population in the force area. The recorded crime figures show a 4% increase when compared to the financial year preceding the PCCs term. However, when compared to the pre-pandemic annual volumes it can be said that there has been an 18% reduction in these offences.
  - c. 101 Call performance 101 call has seen a decline in performance, as performance around the emergency line is protected. Over the financial year there has been an increase in 999 call demand, which has impacted 101

answering performance. There is currently work underway in the force to manage this including making use of the most appropriate agency and directing queries to the alternative sources where answers may be sought. The PCC regularly reviews and maintains an oversight of performance in this area and is expecting a report to be brought to the next CGB meeting.

d. Victim Satisfaction – victim satisfaction has fallen by six percent when comparing the baseline to the most recent data, this continues to be a force priority and the positive increase in the victim's code of compliance (VCOP) should start impacting positively on this metric. This page is left intentionally blank.

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		Visible Policing
	Strategic Objective:	Make officers and staff more visible in order to actively deter criminals,
	pre	vent crime and provide more reassurance to residents.
	Current RAG	Green
Aim		Activity To Date
review where res	hief Constable to continually ources are places across the	This has been a challenging period of police finances during which the PCC has lobbied the Government for a fairer deal for LLR. The PCC and the Chief Constable have worked throughout
Force to en sustainability	nsure effectiveness and	the budget setting processes for the 2022/23, 2023/24 and 2024/25 financial years, the output of these conversations have been reported to Police and Crime Panel throughout the term.
Move towards Ru Unit in its own rig	utland having a Local Policing ht	Since 2021 policing in Rutland have been significantly strengthened. There has been a reinstatement of the Rutland front enquiry office (FEO) and an additional FEO opened in Uppingham that enables the community to make an appointment to see a member of the Force.
	nformation for the Force and en on the website	The Force and OPCC budgets are now all accessible on the Police and Crime Commissioners Websites and through the Police and Crime Panel papers. Furthermore, detailed breakdowns of these reports can be found in the annually published statement of accounts.
Create a larger Fo	orce of Special Constables	The PCC sees the value that specials have provided and has supported the Force to increase their numbers during his term. The number of special constables has increased by over 200% when compared to the baseline financial year of 2020/21 (33 specials compared to 102).
11	Chief Constable in the effective policies on stop and	The PCC has ensured transparency in this area having commissioned his Ethics and Transparency Panel, under an enhanced scrutiny structure, to look at a number of areas including reviews of Stop and Search, Use of Force and Spit Guard Policies.
Conduct and exa police estate	amination and review of the	The PCC has conducted a full review of the police estate to ensure buildings and the working environment are more accessible to local people, reflecting a modern style of policing and supporting a culture of openness, transparency and value for money. As such a new 5-year estates strategy was developed by the Force in March 2023. Changes resulting from the policy such as the Victorian style police lights have already begun to be delivered.

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Improve communication and engagement with the public	In line with the objective to improve engagement and communication between the public in LLR and the police, the force has developed a new Trust and Confidence strategy and is currently delivering the new 'pledge' to the public. The PCC has been consulted on the Trust and Confidence strategy and provided feedback gathered from his own public consultations to shape and develop the strategy, the strategy was discussed and signed off at the Corporate Governance Board (CGB) on the 17 <sup>th</sup> July and 25 <sup>th</sup> September 2023. The names of local officers and teams is now accessible on the Force website alongside the priorities for the local areas.
	A Children and Young person's strategy was delivered through CGB, which sets out the service standard for officer engagement in schools to enhance engagement with the Police. This was discussed and agreed at the CGB meeting in July 2022 and has subsequently been presented to the Police and Crime Panel.
Ensure there is a link between each school and the Force and increase the reach of the police towards primary school age children	Whilst the Children's and Young Person's Strategy focuses on the service standard for officer engagement with young people, as per the Police and Crime Plan, the PCC wanted to maintain a specific focus on the engagement with children of primary school age. With that in mind the PCC funded a pilot of the mini police project. The scheme was part of the National Volunteer Police Cadets (NVPC) programme and delivered to young people in Year 5 to build their confidence and trust in the work of the Police and develop their sense of social justice and moral responsibility. The scheme is just coming to the end of the pilot phase.
	The PCC also funded the purchase and pilot of the First Phone 360 VR Headsets project around online safety for young people as a prevention tool. The OPCC has also developed an additional educational toolkit to compliment the film where teachers in schools are trained on utilising the provided resources to educate children in online safety, using the VR film as reference. The toolkit spans 6 sessions which teachers can rollout in their school however they see appropriate. The pilot has thus far been limited to 3 schools in the People zones area with over 200 students already being reached however the longer-term ambition is that the trial enables the collation of best practice to enable relationships to be built with other interested primary schools across LLR.

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		Urban Policing
	=	ective: Ensure resources are aligned to the highest threat, harm and risks we have a streamlined and efficient response to the increasing demands.
	Current RAG	Amber
Aim		Activity
Lobby His Majesty's Gor sentences for people wh		The PCC regularly attends meetings in London where he speaks to officials about a variety of topics. He will almost always take the opportunity to raise the impact of violent crime on victims and what the system could be doing better to protect them.
		The PCC has provided significant funding into technology and training to ensure night-time staff have the equipment and knowledge to act to save lives. This includes £20k of funding to deliver first-aid training to staff working in the night-time economy in Leicester; metal detectors to help remove dangerous weapons from the streets, additional CCTV, town centre radios and online bystander training to help bar and door staff safely intervene in the presence of risk. The PCC has also funded an expansion of the Street Doctors initiative which sees young people equipped with the skills they need to become 'street doctors' at the scene of a violent attack.
Work with the Chief ( develop a night-time ec drives down violence ar and premises a safe pla	conomy strategy that nd makes our streets	The PCC and VRN jointly commissioned a bystander campaign, You're Right, That's Wrong (YRTW) to target misogynistic behaviour against women and will encourage men to become active bystanders by calling out negative attitudes and intolerable behaviour. The campaign featured on social media, viewed over 3.2million times and also in and outside of bars, pubs and clubs across Leicester city centre. Directly linking to the Police and Crime Plan, the campaign also targeted public transport and was displayed across train stations and public transport hotspots. More than 19,000 visits were made to the campaigns dedicated website - www.thatswrong.co.uk
	nd Crimo Danol for Laicartar, Laicart	A new behaviour change campaign has been created called "Walk Away" which aims to promote the positive actions the public can take to avoid confrontation and prevent unnecessary deaths and injuries by assault. The campaign aims to influence potential offenders by encouraging them to exercise self-control and to walk away from heated situations before they escalate. "Walk Away" made such an impact in the first few weeks that it was adopted by forces around the UK in a bid to reduce violence over the 2023 festive season.

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Ensure the names of the dedicated neighbourhood officers are publicised and known to businesses and residents within the city centre and surrounding areas	The Force have developed it local policing pages available through the Leicestershire Police website, this includes local officer names and the current policing priorities for that locality.
Ensure that proceeds of crime-seizures and money will be reinvested into the investigation and prevention of a wide variety of offences.	The Proceeds of Crime (POCA) strategy was discussed and agreed through the CGB on the 21 <sup>st</sup> June 2023 with an enhanced amount being reinvested into visible policing. The POCA money is reinvested and used to tackling crimes that cause most harm, helping make the communities feel safer. The money from the most recent recoveries has been used to support a domestic abuse perpetrator rehabilitation programme and also fund two new police cars, which are now clearly marked as being funded from money recovered from criminals.
Maximise existing online reporting capability to ensure a more efficient and cost-effective way to manage crime	The PCC has been supportive of the Force's communication strategies promoting the different ways that the public can get in contact with the Force.
Continue to be fully engaged in the licensing process for licensed premises with a view to reducing alcohol related offending	Work in progress through to March 2025
Work with partners to reduce crime and the fear of crime on our public transport systems	Work in progress through to March 2025
Support the work the Chief Constable is doing to reduce the scourge of drug misuse, the trafficking of drugs into our city and the combatting of the county lines network.	The Force has maintained a strong focus on organised crime, including county lines and as such received the highest ranking following a HMICFRS inspection in relation to tackling serious and organised crime in March 2023. The report highlighted the integrated approach to effectively manage serious crime along with working with partners to prevent people being drawn into organised crime.
Maximise the effectiveness of our joint intelligence so that we are able to target the most serious and prolific offenders	Work in progress through to March 2025
Maintain a strong focus upon those criminals who are engaged in the illegal supply and distribution of drugs through County Lines	The PCC has been supportive and engaged in the County Lines Intensification Weeks run by the Force each year. Work on this will be continued through to March 2025

		Rural Policing
	Strategic Ob	jective: Put in place a Rural Policing Plan and ensure that resources are
		available to tackle the crimes that affect our countryside.
	Current RAG	Green
Ensure the Force is strue outstanding response in Rutland to rural criminalit	Leicestershire and	In July 2022 an enhanced rural crime team structure was launched, this consists of an enhanced central coordination role that will have overview of trends, patterns taking place across LLR. The Rural Crime Team is now embedded within those Neighbourhood Policing areas defined as rural, with at least one PC working out of each Rural NPA. A clear remit has been introduced with these posts and the PCs work with the NPAs to look at crime trends and reports, analyse threats and take demand away from the NPA.
Update the reporting specific rural concern coursing, unlicensed fi trespass, livestock v butchery etc	s such as hare	Reported rural crime is up by 23% since the baseline year, suggesting that there is an increased confidence to report Rural offences and that new practices, such as the development of a QR code have made it easier and more accessible for the rural community to report offences. The reporting system has been upgraded to including rural concerns and the use of the rural flag supports intelligence building a new app has also been developed to support all frontline officers. This ease of reporting has been confirmed through PCC conversations with residents and businesses.
Work proactively and vi with parish councils, ne groups, community s volunteers to enhance approach to crime preven	eighbourhood watch peed watch and and formalise our	Quarterly partnership meetings which involve representatives from the CSPs, NPAs, Countryside alliance, wildlife trust and the NFU. The PCC or a representative also regularly attends these meetings. The PCC also takes part in engagement activities in rural areas to ensure the views of rural communities are captured. The OPCC has also launched a parish council liaison scheme to increase engagement with parish councillors in the rural communities.
Look at the Mounted Volu develop other innovative rural communities in the	ways to mobilise our	In October 2023, the PCC launched the Volunteers on Horseback scheme with Leicestershire police. This includes 20 volunteers working with the Rural Policing team to support them in tackling rural crime.
Work with Leicestershire Councils to protect hom across the county.	•	Ongoing work in this workstream is the coordination and delivery of providing target hardening products to homeowners as part of the safer streets fund, which was successfully awarded in October 2023.

Ensure that police officers, staff and volunteers to work seamlessly together; increase the number of watch schemes. Champion volunteering schemes in Leicestershire and Rutland and seek to increase the community contribution by 25%. Champion Community Speed Watch initiatives in Leicestershire and Rutland by investing in equipment and training.	The PCC has funded a Neighbourhood Watch Development Manager working through National Neighbourhood watch to revitalise the neighbourhood watch schemes across LLR. The post holder commenced the post on the 9 <sup>th</sup> October 2023 and has undertaken a variety of scoping work thus far, the post also enables a clear line of communication between the recently formed, Leicestershire Neighbourhood watch association. A survey of perception of Neighbourhood watch (NHW) from neighbourhood police officers was conducted to enable the relationships and awareness within the force to be best developed. A total of 37 officers engaged in the survey, across a variety of ranks within neighbourhood policing. The Neighbourhood Watch Development Manager is now working on a training/educational package to be included in initial training for neighbourhood officers and a resource pack for existing or more experienced officers.
Ensure 101 call handlers are fully trained so they properly understand the impact of rural crime.	Enhanced training has been provided to all call handlers and staff within the call bureau on rural, wildlife and heritage crime by the Rural Crime team. This training has now been incorporated into BAU and will continue to be provided to new staff entering the control room. The last training was delivered on the 24 <sup>th</sup> October 2023.
Ensure policing have appropriate resources in the counties such 4x4 vehicles across the Leicestershire and Rutland policing areas	The Force has invested in clearly identifiable 4x4 vehicles which have been allocated to rural areas. Funds have also been made available by the PCC to offer off road training to officers in the rural crime team.
Develop a set of minimum standards for service delivery in all areas of the Force to include standards specific to rural areas.	Work in progress through to March 2025
Work with stakeholders in the community create a formal mechanism for meaningful dialogue to meet rural community needs and expectations.	The PCC launched a parish council liaison scheme in January 2024 with an ambition to introduce a new communication channel for parish councillors. The scheme is being led by the DPCC and consists of weekly surgeries where parish councillors are invited to attend and discuss issues with the DPCC.
Refresh and develop an estates strategy which will increase the police footprint in Leicestershire and Rutland.	A full review of the estate's strategy was undertaken in conjunction with the PCC and OPCC. A new 5-year strategy was produced in March 2023. There is a much stronger force of police in Rutland, and there has been a reinstatement of the Rutland FEO and an additional FEO in Uppingham.
Develop a mobile technology strategy that will enhance the visibility of officers and staff in rural areas	Work in progress through to March 2025

		High Tech Policing
	Force respon	ective: unlock the potential of the Force through technology; improve the se to crime and anti-social behaviour and enable them to target the most prolific offenders. Communities will be safer and the environment cleaner.
	Current RAG	Green
Undertake an urgent vehicle procurement possible to purchase r more environmentally current vehicles	policy to see if it is replacements that are	The PCC supported the fleet strategy proposed by the Chief Constable at the corporate governance board on 19 <sup>th</sup> April 2023. Since the start of the Police and Crime Plan 7 electric vehicles have been introduced to the fleet, 2 further vehicles are due to be arriving in 2024 also this includes a general response electric van. The force is also working through the process of introducing a wider charging network across the force estate. Although positive progress has been made in relation to the introduction of electric vehicles there are currently no viable alternatives for the high-powered response vehicles which is the biggest contributor in relation to the carbon footprint of the police fleet.
Develop a strategy to ir electric and hydrogen p are able to be dep realistically possible.	olice vehicles so they	Work in progress through to March 2025
Work with partners to for better communication local communities		The OPCC and VRN support a variety of partners in relation to sharing data analysis and insights, for example the production of CSP (community safety partnerships) data packs to support the CSP's in their work. The VRN have also developed a multiagency data sharing agreement to enable the production and sharing of a serious violence dashboard.
Review the police es potential to install so buildings to reduce footprint.		There are currently solar panels on Loughborough, Oakham and Hinckley Road police stations. The Commissioner approved the positioning of solar panels on the field at the bottom of the FHQ site - an array of 1042m2 producing 108,800 kWh per year has been designed, this project is underway. The total energy usage by the force has reduced significantly (-28%) when compared to the baseline.

Reduce unnecessary travelling by changing the culture of how we do our business, taking the learnings of the global pandemic to communicate through technology.	The PCC has supported the Chief Constables proposals for investment in better digital and technological facilities. Since the pandemic the Force has invested in Microsoft 365 / Teams which holds a large proportion of the daily meetings. This alone has saved unnecessary travel.	
Enhance performance by ensuring technology enabled information, data and intelligence available to all.	Work in progress through to March 2025	
Work towards ensuring the Force has the most modern technology to prevent such crimes as cybercrime and online child abuse; and to support the reduction of online bullying and anti-social behaviour.	The force now has the capability and competence to respond, on scene, to live and recent cyber- attacks utilising our own created incident response toolkits. These provide the technical ability to triage devices on scene, analyse and understand what has occurred and give live advice to victims. The force can now complete digital forensics on scene and have the technology to identify, trace and confiscate crypto assets. This can all be scaled from individual home victims to large business networks.	
Work closely with other government agencies, such as the Border Force and the National Crime Agency to tackle the rise of vehicle and livestock theft and smuggling	There is a national SOC strategy set by the NCA which is shared with Leicestershire Police and links in their own SOC priorities. There is an NCA deputy regional organised crime coordinator who directly links into the FIB (force intelligence bureau) Superintendent offering monthly updates on any crime or operation which relates to the LLR force area.	ω
Tasers will be available for every officer who wants to carry one and who has successfully completed the necessary training.	The use of taser was discussed at CGB and the PCC supported more officers being able to access tasers, as a result, the Force has uplifted the Taser training and is aiming to have a taser trained officers within each and every double crewed vehicle, providing better protection for both the public and officers. The Commissioner has also committed to equipping all specials who are willing and able to do so to undergo training and carry tasers.	
Conduct a review of the technology being used in the Force to ensure the Force is equipped to be as high-tech and innovative as possible.	Initial results from the video interactive system being piloted by the force are positive with the team manging 9.8% more incidents that anticipated and 99% of victims stating they would opt for virtual appointments again – specific feedback included; victims stated having virtual meetings eased anxiety knowing statements could be made from comfort of own home, not having a visiting police vehicle outside victims home eased anxiety, victim stated they felt heard and all questions answered, victims feel calm and supported.	
Seek improvements in the use of mobile technology, data and digital solutions to improve the way the Force responds to modern-day demands.	The force has invested in Goodsam which is a video interactive system trailed under the DART team. The focus of the system is to provide an efficient response to investigations whist maintaining victim satisfaction – however is it does not require travel and allows for officers to assist more victims.	

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		Neighbourhood Policing
	Strategic Object	tive: Develop a policing strategy that reflects the dynamics, demographics
		and environment of the local area.
	Current RAG	Green
Work with the Chief Co the status of local neigh Leicester, Leicestershire	bourhood officers in	The PCC supported the Chief Constables Neighbourhood Policing Strategy presented in 2022. He now regularly asks for updates on the progression of this strategy to come forward to Corporate Governance Board so that he has the opportunity to hold the Chief to account for its delivery.
Encourage neighbourhoot their local communities for		The Commissioner and Chief Constable continue to encourage neighbourhood officers stay in their local communities for at least two years to be able to capitalise on their local knowledge and reliable relationships with stakeholders and the public. The latest data suggests that as at the end of Jan 2023, 74% of Constables in Neighbourhood policing have been within NHP for at least 2 years and over 60% of Sgts have been in neighbourhood policing over 2 years.
Improve the training of local officers and staff, ensure they have the correct skills and a sense of belonging to the local communities.		Since the commencement of the Police and Crime Plan the training of officers has moved from a regional model to a local model. As such the Force created and launched 'Team Academy' and the 'Digital Academy' which provide face to face and digital access to learning 24/7 respectively. The Team and Digital academies have received national recognition and have been highlighted for their innovative and forward-thinking approach. The academy received an accreditation from the College of Policing.
Develop a strategy and delivery plan for neighbourhood policing so there is an operational plan for each of the areas across the Force		The Neighbourhood Policing Strategy has been revised to reflect both the Police and Crime Plan 2021-2024 and the force Confidence, Trust and Satisfaction Strategy. In addition, it also introduces a published "service offer" for the public. As Neighbourhood policing is at the heart of building public trust, confidence and satisfaction, the new overarching strategy has also been incorporated within the pledge. The Commissioner supported the development of this refreshed document by providing feedback and the final document was endorsed at the Corporate Governance Board in November 2022.
Ensure that all resider treated professionally and their needs. Deliver surveys.	nd fairly in line with	In summer 2023, the PCC commissioned an independent large-scale public survey to gain the views of residents across LLR to understand the expectations and views of policing across LLR.

		Community Policing
	Strategic Obj	ective: Increase confidence and provide reassurance to our communities
	thro	ugh effective communications and engagement with our public.
	Current RAG	Amber
Aim		Activity to Date
Assist the Chief Cor communications across improvements can be r	the Force so that	The Force now has a comprehensive communications team that work to engage with the public. Activity is communicated through all major social media channels.
communication strategy effectively to the public.	to reach out more	The PCC has been challenging around the surveying of public, which the Force now carry out regularly via Neighbourhood Link feeding important feedback from communities through to Neighbourhood Offices.
Work with the Chief Con		
support of local people better use of social m police		The new Pledge to communities establishes a consistent way that the Neighbourhood Teams will engage with their local population via their websites and face to face.
Ensure that there is reg and County Counc accountable communit officers	cillors and other	The Commissioner has communicated with MPs, County and City councillors and parish councillors through the community days or surgeries held across the city and two counties.
Support and protect our ecology and local wildlife by developing our approach to police estate management		
Work with partners engagement agencies people away from a life	to help divert young	$+$ around in communities most attected by violence acreed in $\mathbf{P}$ to doily or divergionary activities to

Work with the Chief Constable to review access to the police to ensure it is as easy and seamless as possible for the public Ensure that 101 calls and other services are accessible and fit for service.	Over the course of this term the PCC has ensured that Neighbourhood Officers are well signed and visible to members of the public that would like to visit. He has also supported the Chief with additional resource in the CMD for those members of the public getting in contact via telephone.
Be one of the most accessible PCCs so that communities can hold me to account and influence the policing approach.	The Commissioner has continued to undertake a wide range of community engagement activity since May 2021 which have included; weekly Community Thursdays and visits to commissioned services. More recently over the past year the Commissioner and Chief Constable have been offering public meetings to enable members of the public an opportunity to provide their views and raise any concerns regarding crime and policing they may have.
Ensure that there is a regular bulletin for distribution to councillors, community groups and others	The Commissioner produced regular newsletters for the City, County and Rutland on the activity of the PCC and his office.
The police and OPCC will work to ensure free and fair elections as these are essential to the proper functioning of our democratic society	Protecting the legitimacy of elections was a key ambition of the Police and Crime Plan and as such the PCC requested a report to the CGB on how the force policing elections to ensure a free and fair process. The report was discussed in May 2022, just prior to the local elections. The PCC was kept regularly updated following the local elections during his 121s with the chief constable.
Work with the Chief Constable to develop a strategy and delivery plan for neighbourhood policing and find a way for neighbourhood officers to be able to capitalise on their local knowledge and reliable relationships with stakeholders and the public	The PCC supported the Chief Constables Neighbourhood Policing Strategy presented in 2022. He now regularly asks for updates on the progression of this strategy to come forward to Corporate Governance Board so that he has the opportunity to hold the Chief to account for its delivery.
Equip our police officers with uniforms that are instantly recognisable to the public and practical for sustained use in all circumstances	The PCC has enabled the Chief to invest in new equipment for Officers, staff and special constables, including the reintroduction of formal headwear for Police officers. Most recently the Force were equipped with new protective vests.

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		Protecting Business
	Strategic Obje	ective: Ensure that local businesses have the support they need to protect
	<b>y</b> ,	from crime and that they have confidence that the Force is taking action.
	Current RAG	Amber
Aim		Activity to Date
Work with the Chief Co	onstable to develop a	The Force now have established business crime leads. Recognising the importance of this are of
role of dedicated busi		work the PCC has instructed the DPCC to lead a working party responsible for liaising with
build better relationshi	ps with business for	businesses and putting initiatives in place to help them protect themselves, prevent business crime
each area of the Force		and enable better reporting.
Develop a dialogue		The DPCC has developed an approach of regular engagement that has enabled the sector to
ensure they are engag		regularly feedback their thoughts to us and share best practice through a series of roundtables.
resolving local problems Develop stronger busin		Ongoing work under this workstream includes, an expansion of the previously successfully implemented DISC system across other CSP areas. The OPCC are currently working on targeted
work more effectively to	•	prevention work in the forms of a digital and print material and also a personalised prevention offer
to tackle online cyber a	5 I	to high-risk businesses.
		The Commissioner has funded Operation Repeat which is a door-step fraud awareness project with
		the principal aim of identifying and training key local Health and care professionals to provide fraud
		awareness messaging to members of their local communities who are vulnerable to fraud. Op Repeat
		is a project developed by an ex-crime prevention officer and has been funded and adopted in
Assist the Chief Cons		Lincolnshire, North Wales and Northamptonshire where the OPCC has agreed to extend funding the
problem-solving approa		project for a second year. The project has now trained over 2500 health and care professionals in
to reduce crime in high	demand areas	each area which have provided fraud protect advice to vulnerable members of their communities. The project is based on delivering messages on train the trainer basis with the intention that those
		that are trained will spread the messaging and provide advice, guidance to the people they come in
		contact with. The project utilises local private and public sector organisations represented locally to
		deliver guidance and advice thus reducing the impact on policing.
Enguro staff are train	and and doveloped	The PCC was fully supportive of the establishment of the new 'Team Academy'. This establishment
Ensure staff are train		now provides best practice training for Officer and Staff that work across LLR. As described
enable them to safely intervene, challenge and prevent crime from happening		previously the Team and Digital academies have received national recognition and have been
		highlighted for their innovative and forward-thinking approach.

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Improve channels of communication for the reporting of business crime and intelligence and improve online reporting capability to create a more efficient and cost-effective way to manage crime	The PCC has promoted the reporting of retain crime to ensure that the Force have a fuller picture of the problem. As a result, the number of offences reported has increased. Through the DPCC there has been engagement activity to enable businesses to speak directly to the OPCC, qualitative information from these sessions feedback that the online system is helping businesses report more effectively at a time that suits them.
Support the Chief Constable to develop a cadre of specialist business cybercrime officers to help educate and protect businesses	Leicestershire Cyber-crime unit have recruited a Cyber Crime officer, trained to an industry recognised standard, who delivers education and protect advice to business, and works closely with the EMSOU Regional Cyber Crime Unit Protect team. As many fraud offences are often cyber enabled the work is done in partnership with the force's fraud vulnerability officer to enable protection advice from a cyber fraud perspective to be provided simultaneously. The force now both educates using standardised presentations and documents, providing cyber security risk assessments and interactive cyber escape rooms. A programme has begun that provides individual advice is also provided to victims of cyber-crime (including businesses) to help them understand how they were attacked and how to protect against it happening again.
Continue to provide foot patrols in high- footfall retail areas to deter retail crime	Neighbourhood teams now hold the responsibility for high footfall retail areas such as Leicester city, Hinckley and Loughborough, and as such can use their local knowledge to patrol areas they know there is an issue. Many have adopted a foot patrol approach to visibility. The Neighbourhood team allocate retail leads gaining a direct link to the large and small businesses in that area. They attend retail forums keeping close links between the businesses and police.
Identify national best practice or innovation from other forces to drive down crime, particularly related to organised theft of heavy farm or manufacturing equipment	Through horizon scanning the force receive information from the National Business Crime Centre which provides monthly updates on best practice and activity. There are national business crime intensification weeks organised. The National Business Crime centre, complete national surveys to provide data to forces, including a retail and acquisitive crime overview. Freight crime is also covered separately due to a nationally identified trend.

		Curbing Violent Crime	
	<b>y</b> .	ctive: Create greater coherence and help develop a longer-term strategy to violence and enable our collective efforts to protect people from harm.	
	Current RAG	Green	
Aim		Activity to Date	_
Work with partners to s extent, nature and caus the right interventions ca right time and in the ri those most at risk	es of violence so that an be deployed at the	Under the PCC the VRN has developed a Serious Violence Dashboard which draws upon a range of multi-agency data and is accessible to CSPs and statutory duty holders to inform their response to serious violence. The VRN also produces an annual strategic needs assessment which provides a comprehensive assessment of the extent and nature of serious violence and looks to increase understanding of the types, distribution and extent of serious violence in the local area and to help local partners to identify the people and groups who are most vulnerable to being or becoming victims or perpetrators of violence and should be used to inform strategic planning including resource allocation. In addition to the SNA, the VRN also provides tailored support to the partners by providing regular, accessible reports and presentations	
Ensure interventions r already affected by vio they are most likely to a Ensure that those at risk	plence in the places accept support.	The VRN have invested in a number of evidence-informed interventions that reach children and young people affected by violence in reachable spaces. Currently, this includes: The Phoenix Programme (a Focused Deterrence programme reaching young people and adults involved in violence and providing support), The Reach Programme (reaching children at risk of exclusion in schools across LLR and providing a tailored package of support), Violence Intervention Project (reaching young people in A&E and in custody and providing support), Mentors in Violence Programme (a providing support) and by the programme (reaching support) and providing support).	x n n t e
be identified so that rehabilitation service commissioned. Work with the Chief ( those offenders who pre-	at intervention and s are effectively Constable to identify	Prevention (a peer-led leadership and bystander programme in primary and secondary schools across LLR) and two specialist providers including Sports and Education, Training and Employment The VRN have held events for young people in the community including Hope Hack events that empower young people to lead on the solutions to violence prevention. In year one (January 2023) December 2023), 12 community groups reached over 800 children and young people, providing them with diversionary activities. The Phoenix Programme has engaged with 56 identified local individuals	t - n S
and act robustly to redu	5	to February 2024. The engagement has been a mixture between providing bespoke support and disruption and enforcement. The number of individuals continues to increase as the delivery team are reviewing and allocating cases through a multi-agency process.	

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Work in partnership with all other agencies and communities to maximise the opportunities to reduce crime and anti-social behaviour. Support the partnership investment in community responses to preventing and reducing serious violence	The Commissioner commissioned a review of the way in which CSPs received funding from the PCC's office in 2021. An updated, transparent framework was agreed and proposed to the Police and Crime Panel, to re-evaluate the funding distribution across the CSPs. It encompasses changes in crime data, crime types and population change and promises a system that ensures value for money by being needs based. The new framework follows a grants-based approach where partners will be asked to complete an application outlining how their defined allocations will be spent and how this activity links to the Police and Crime Plan. The new funding proposal took effect from April 2023 and is currently undergoing through an evaluation to understand the impact of the change to the
	structure.
Committed to developing a sustainable strategy for the reduction of crime and anti-social behaviour through CSPs	In Summer 2022 the Commissioner and OPCC supported two CSPs in successfully bidding for two Safer Streets grants to tackle acquisitive crime and anti-social behaviour. Blaby District Council was awarded £67,000 and Charnwood Borough Council was awarded £149,200. In Summer 2023, the Commissioner and OPCC was successful in bidding for approx. £960,606.34 safer streets grants (5) across three focus areas; ASB, Neighbourhood Crime and VAWG. The ASB bid focussed on Melton CSP area and was for a total of £313,967. The Neighbourhood crime bid focussed on peaks in burglary offences in Oadby and Wigston to a total of £331,055 and the VAWG bid will be focussed across LLR to a total amount of £315,568.
Work with partners to provide support with the development and implementation of strategies as well as monitoring the effectiveness of them.	The funding for Safer Streets (5) has been awarded for VAWG, with the newly recruited VAWG coordinator staring employment on 13th March 2024. This work will focus on coproducing with young people to create a set or resources and bystander training which will be delivered to leads within our communities. The local organisations are then equipped to share the messages and training with the young people that access their services or centres. There is a behavioural change campaign which will underpin all of the work in the communities and increase the reach and impact further. The VRN also commission the Violence Intervention project which provides support to young people who attend A&E at the LRI, to aid recovery and address pressing issues such as safety and wellbeing. The OPCC has recently identified two safeguarding leads and developed a safeguarding policy.
Advocate strong evidence-based policing	Members of the office attend regular APCC meetings and working groups to receive presentations
based upon what works, academia and national best practice	on best practice and have access to the notable practice hub. The office are currently members on 9 working groups and also receive one of briefings for particular topics of national interest.

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Support the Chief Constable to ensure the Force is able to identify victims and those at risk of victimisation to develop safeguarding strategies	the establishment of a number of key delivery plans. An ACC lead strand around vulnerability is currently being mobilised by the Chief Constable that concentrates on activity aimed at those most at risk in society.
Work with the Chief Constable and other stakeholders to support the victim's experience through the criminal justice system	I his was highlighted by the recent Joint Readiness Assessment (2023) conducted by Crest Advisory on behalf of the Home Office which found that we are 'Mature. Demonstrating Best Practice' in

	Victims of Crime	
	Strategic Obje	ective: Ensure the most serious offenders are targeted so that they have a
$\mathbf{T} \mathbf{T}$		very real fear of being caught for their crimes
	Current RAG	Amber
Aim		Activity to Date
Commission victim's se victims of crime are provi support at a time of crisis	ded with exemplary	The PCC has awarded a new £2.5m contract to provide enhanced support to victims of crime across Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland. The new contract, awarded to Catch22, includes a host of new and improved services to help victims, including children and young people, recover from their experience. working with the Force as the first line of support following a crime taking place. The PCC commissions other specialist services separately for which victims will be referred or signposted, if appropriate, upon initial contact with Victim First. Launching from April 2024, the new service will run until March 2027 and will benefit more than 70,000 victims and witnesses of crime and anti-social behaviour (ASB) every year.
Work with the Chief Cons Force culture and service victim-centred approach		The OPCC secured an additional £438,000 from the Ministry of Justice (MoJ) to provide victims of domestic violence across Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland enhanced support to reduce their risk of harm by developing the number of Independent Domestic Violence Advisors (IDVAs) operating across the force area. IDVAs work closely with domestic abuse victims who are at high risk of harm from intimate partners, ex-partners or family members to protect their safety and the safety of their children. Serving as a victim's primary contact, IDVAs normally work with victims from the point of crisis to assess the level of risk they face and discuss the range of options available. They also develop safety plans designed to address their immediate and long-term safety. The government ringfenced funding in 2021/22 for 700 additional IDVAs and a further 200 in 2022/23. PCCs are accountable for the delivery of these roles in their communities and are required to commission partners to run these services on their behalf. In Leicestershire, IDVAs work across a variety of agencies and settings such as hospitals including Accident and Emergency and maternity wards and specialist sexual violence units, with delivery partners Freeva, Living without Abuse and New Dawn, New Day.

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	Work with the Chief Constable to develop a suite of operational approaches to protect vulnerable people who are exploited by ruthless crime gangs and identify and target the most prolific and serious offenders to tackle the harm caused by burglary, drugs and knife crime	The Force and VRN have recently launched the Phoenix programme in June 2023 that targets high risk offenders that are driving the local serious violence problem. The programme is funded by the Youth Endowment fund (£1.2 million) and uses a Focused Deterrence model to support an identified cohort to take up tailored offers of mentoring and services to encourage them to reduce offending. The support and engagement is medium to long term and facilitated through the delivery team who are made up of staff from Probation, Police, Youth Justice and a commissioned organisation, Ingeus. Phoenix is subject to an external evaluation as part of the YEF's funding.
	Support the Chief Constable to develop tactics to guarantee a quality of service to tackle domestic abuse.	The Commissioner launched a specialist round of his Commissioner's Safety Fund to help domestic abuse and sexual violence services providing support to the increasing number of victims and witnesses affected by the delays in the Criminal Justice System. Like many areas, the East Midlands region saw an unprecedented build-up of court cases during the pandemic, translating into longer waiting times for victims. This has increased the length of time victims have required support during their justice journey and fuelled additional demand for support services. In response, the Commissioner is allocating grants of up to £10,000 for organisations, community groups and charities that can demonstrate how they have been impacted by criminal justice delays and how they aim to positively address these issues. A total of 5 applications were received and 3 services we awarded funding. This included an additional independent sexual violence advisor, a pre-trial therapy service improvement and a domestic abuse outreach service.
-	Develop a partnership response to reduce the harm, risks and costs of domestic abuse, child abuse and exploitation (including child sexual exploitation), serious sexual offences, trafficking and modern-day slavery and VAWG	Ongoing work in this workstream is exploring opportunities to include lived experience in the commissioning process, continuing to progress the VAWG partnership strategy and driving improvements within the local criminal justice board.

	Partnerships	
	Strategic Object	ctive: Ensure the Force and the OPCC adopt a collaborative style, integrate
	<b>,</b>	services and build equitable and trusting partnerships.
	Current RAG	Amber
Aim		Activity to Date
Look at opportunities for and OPCC to work wit criminal justice agencie	th other forces and es to improve the	
response to crime and q Challenge all the crimina ensure that we improve o to the public.	al justice partners to	The PCC created a new local criminal justice board (LCJB), which he has delegated the chairing of to the Chief Constable to enable rapid progress to be made. To date there have been a robust set of metrics and measures established and an agreement across all partners to work towards the improvement of those metrics. The DPCC now represents the PCC within this forum and she has regular meetings with the Criminal Justice Board lead for the Force.
Develop a set of strate objectives for all parties Justice Board (CJB), det and agree on the activitie relation to profes	within the Criminal fine what is required es to deliver them in sional standards	Since the establishment of this board there has already been positive improvements in the performance relating to some of the strategic KPIs. For example the average police file quality compliance for the baseline year was 38% compliance, the latest compliance average is 65%, an increase of 26pp.
department (PSD) invest Scrutinise the performan within the CJB to ens victims, witnesses and the quality.	nce of all the parties sure the service to	Crime recording is well supervised and scrutinised by chief officers, the force has focused on improving crime recording. It carries out regular in-depth audits, the results of which are reviewed by chief officers. Any errors found during audits are immediately corrected and then circulated to relevant staff, so they learn from the correction. There is a crime recording action plan, which is frequently reviewed and quick updates are added on the rapid progress against actions. There is also a dedicated crime recording intranet page, which provides a point of reference for staff.
Work with the Chief Cons quality of files submit Prosecution Service a timeliness and review of	ted to the Crown and ensure the	

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Support the Road Safety Partnership and Community Speed Watch groups seeking to improve safety in towns and villages	Whilst work in this area is ongoing until March 2025, the PCC has already provided funding to support the delivery of The Road Revolution Programme. The project aims to overhaul present road safety education to make it more impactful for young people aged 13-19. The programme team will also research incidents that have happened in the local area to highlight those to the young audience as well as addressing community concerns around the anti-use of motor vehicles by focusing on educating young people as drivers, road users and pedestrians. The PCC has also launched a pre-test safety course for young drivers to help reduce fatalities and serious casualties on the region's roads. In partnership with the charity, The Under 17 Car Club Charitable Trust, a Pathfinder educational programme is to be delivered throughout 2024. This consists of an intensive one week driving course for 15 to 17-year-olds and their parents/guardians to increase their skills, confidence and competence before they venture on to the roads. The PCC will be part-funding the courses, expected to be held during the summer months, with drivers contributing a small fee to undertake the course. Bursary support will also be available to promote inclusivity and remove any barriers young people may face accessing the course. The PCC and DPCC have supported and promoted 'Fatal4' operations across the city and two counties tackling the fatal four offences (speeding, using a mobile phone, not wearing a seatbelt and drink/drug driving).
Assist the Chief Constable to develop a performance strategy within the PSD so that all staff are dealt with equitably, fairly and in a timely manner.	The PCC has developed an enhanced scrutiny process that includes a performance framework in relation to the professional standards department. This will be scrutinised on an annual basis and include national trends for comparison.

Support the Force and the work undertaken	
	The PCC and the DPCC both attend the regional forum for EMSOU. The PCC has been challenging
	through the budget process to ensure that this provides best VfM. The EMSOU Tasking and
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Prioritisation processes have been strengthened following the Inspection, with an improved Tactical
groups who are operating in the region	and Strategic Tasking model introduced. EMSOU has successfully implemented the nationally agreed system for recording and evaluating SOC disruptions and now provides regular updates to
Support the regional collaborations that increase the Force's capacity and capability	
to tackle the most serious offenders	loices on performance and impact.
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	Protecting Personnel	
Strategic Obj		jective: Ensure that our police officers and staff feel confident, supported,
	trusted and e	mpowered to make a difference and that they are well equipped to do so.
	Current RAG	Green
Aim		Activity To Date
		The PCC has enabled the Force to do significant work aligning the academy and occupational health with the people directorate (HR) to ensure there is a connected, progressive approach. This is to ensure there is the right people, in the right place with the right skills who are fit and well.
Work with the Chief Cor performance strategy to and staff are dealt with e a timely manner and occupational health and as modern, effective a	ensure that officers quitably, fairly and in work to make the wellbeing services	The PCC has supported the move from a regional occupational health model to a local standalone unit. This move formally commenced from the 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2023. This has enabled the force to vastly improve referral times and in turn provide a much better support mechanism to officers and staff. The move to a locally manage unit has also enabled the force to retain more control over processes and build better relationships with suppliers which supports getting the best value for money.
possible.		Since April 2023, it has been easier for officers and staff to access physical and psychological services when required. There has also been the addition of a new trauma coaching service which is available following a traumatic incident. The Occupational health team also support the leaders of the organisation better by providing them with additional health and wellbeing training modules on how to support their teams and staff. The team also attend complex case reviews and provide clinical supportive advice to the managers, all in turn providing much better interconnected working.
Assist the Chief Consta officers and staff are equipped, skilled and tra	among the best	There has been significant developments within the training offer provided by the Force. Enabled by the PCC the Force has introduced further leadership training aimed at all ranks, this will be in addition to generic leadership input and tailored to the operational requirements of each rank. This will include practical tips to get the best out of an operational team, critical incident command, multiagency
Maintain a focus upon the Chief Constable to a of leadership under their	ccount for the quality	command, managing performance and much more. The inclusive leadership programme has been aligned to the College of Policing values and has been intertwined with the Force's promotion process.

	The PCC delivered a revised accountability strategy to the Police and Crime Panel which set out the forum in which the PCC would fulfil the statutory responsibility to hold the Chief Constable to account for the performance of the force. The board in which the CC is held to account is accurately reported on and presented to the Police and Crime Panel. The reports can be found on the OPCC website and within the panel papers.
Ensure accountability and monitoring of the Chief Constable and ensure the Force is transparent and open to scrutiny by the public via the PCC website	More recently the PCC has developed a new CGB performance dashboard to monitor the performance of the force against key performance indicators, these will be scrutinised by the board on a bi-monthly basis. A governance mapping exercise is also underway.
	The PCC has been provided assurance by the HMICFRS inspection of Leicestershire Police in relation to their crime recording compliance, in the latest grading the force was described as outstanding at recording crime. The report estimated that Leicestershire Police is recording 95.5 percent (with a confidence interval of +/- 1.9 percent) of all reported crime (excluding fraud). This is a statistically significant improvement compared to the findings of the 2018 inspection.
The Force to manage, monitor and improve the moral and motivation for all colleagues	The Force has refined the career pathways approach and have now introduced the electronic PDR system which will aid on going professional development for all across the organisation. A power-bi dashboard is currently being developed which will better support the business and monitor compliance, the ambition is to also include a temperature check to support employees and improve staff retention.

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