



## **LEICESTERSHIRE & RUTLAND SAFER COMMUNITIES STRATEGY BOARD**

**27<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2024**

### **OFFICE OF THE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER**

#### **Background**

1. The Executive team supporting the work of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicestershire is known as the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC). This team has been put together specifically to enable the PCC to successfully carry out his duties.
2. The OPCC is led by a Chief Executive, whose responsibility is to manage the staff team and provide a monitoring role to ensure that standards remain high. The team also includes a Chief Finance Officer to advise the PCC on financial matters and the impact of any decisions regarding the budget, spending and commissioning. Other specialist staff provide support on key areas of business and manage the administrative functions of the OPCC.

#### **Quarter 1 - Notable developments and challenges :**

##### **Past Year**

3. The majority of Safer Streets 5 has been delivered in Melton with only Target Hardening and ASB related training left to complete. The majority of the Target Hardening goal has also been achieved so this is due to complete we anticipate before March 2025. Safer Streets 5 in Oadby and Wigston continues to progress; we are due a project board meeting in the coming weeks for an update however delivery is seen to be on schedule.
4. The PCC has been maintaining a strong oversight of the Force's HMICFRS PEEL<sup>1</sup> inspection, requesting regular updates to the 8-weekly governance board chaired by the PCC as well as attending the hot de-brief hosted by HMICFRS. Of the headlines provided to Force, there were no significant areas of concern raised. The PCC will be closely monitoring the final formal report upon release in November 2024 and work with the Force to make

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<sup>1</sup> Routine inspection of all Police forces in England and Wales carried out every 4 years. In depth examination of Police practices and local initiatives involving significant data submission from the Force.

necessary improvements. The PCC plans to share any notable practice identified.

5. The Performance team is currently working with the PCC to draft the Police and Crime Plan 2024-2028, with a focus on identifying key performance indicators to allow for continuous success monitoring. This has involved significant consultation with partners, and the responses for this have been assessed and amalgamated into proposed areas for the PCC's review. There has been a strong emphasis on collaboration from the conception of the new Police and Crime Plan. Roundtables have been held between the PCC and the Force to discuss proposed focus areas for the Police and Crime Plan and allow the PCC to fully understand the issues at hand.
6. The commissioning team opened a round of funding for the Commissioners Safety Fund which saw over 88 applications. We are currently working through these to assess and award but it has put some strain on the team given the volume being significantly higher than anticipated.

### **Coming Year**

7. The new Police and Crime plan is due to be released and this will be available in due course once completed.
8. Harborough CSP have approved the DISC retail crime initiative and the OPCC has granted funding in an effort to support local businesses.

### **Recommendations for the Board**

9. This report is for the board to note.

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