Core Roles and Responsibilities for Police and Crime Panel Members

Core Role

- Review and make recommendations on the Police and Crime Plan
- Review and make recommendations on the Police and Crime Annual Report
- Approve the Precept
- Appoint of Chief Constable and senior staff
- Deal with Complaints against the Police and Crime Commissioner
- Scrutinise the work of the Police and Crime Commissioner to ensure that the Commissioner is discharging its functions effectively
- Bring any specialist knowledge, skills, experience and expertise they may have to the scrutiny work of the Panel.
- Ensure that there is an effective independent challenge to the Commissioner and that this challenge is constructive to support the Commissioner in carrying out their role.
- Act as a non-party-political voice for those who live and/or work in the Cleveland Force area.

Competencies

- The ability to think strategically –To have breadth of vision, to rise above detail, and to see
 problems and issues from a wider, forward looking perspective and to make appropriate
 linkages.
- The ability to make good judgements -To take a balanced, open-minded and objective approach for example, in evaluating the priorities of the police and crime commissioner, assessing candidates for top level appointments or considering complaints against the police and crime commissioner.
- The ability to be open to change -To be able to challenge accepted views constructively
 without becoming confrontational, and to recognise and respond positively to the need for
 change.
- The ability to scrutinise and challenge -To be able to rigorously scrutinise and challenge constructively, using appropriate data, evidence and resources.
- The ability to be analytical -To interpret and question complex written material including financial and statistical information and other data such as performance measures and identify the salient points.
- The ability to communicate effectively To be able to communicate effectively both verbally and in writing and to interact positively with other members of the Panel, the police and crime commissioner, and the public.

Personal Skills and Qualities

- **Team working-** The ability to play an effective role in meetings through listening, persuading and showing respect for the views of others.
- **Self-confidence** The skill to challenge accepted views constructively without becoming confrontational.
- Enthusiasm and drive- The ability to be proactive in seeking out learning and developmental opportunities to enhance knowledge and understanding (for example, on financial matters and statutory requirements).
- **Respect for others-** The capacity to treat all people fairly and with respect, to value diversity and respond sensitively to difference.

- **Integrity-** The necessity to embrace high standards of conduct and ethics and be committed to upholding human rights and equality of opportunity for all.
- **Decisiveness-** The ability to show resilience even in challenging circumstances, remaining calm and confident and able to make difficult decisions.