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**Report of the Police and Crime Commissioner to the Chair and
Members of the Police and Crime Panel
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Programme of Engagement

1.0 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide Members of the Cleveland Police and Crime Panel (PCP) with a brief update in relation to meetings attended by the PCC from May 2013 – 1 July 2013.
- 1.2 Future meetings of the PCC will also be summarised.

2.0 Background

- 2.1 The PCCs consultation and engagement activities focus on increasing understanding of the communities of Cleveland, ensuring clear and consistent communication with the public and ensuring effective consultation and community engagement.
- 2.2 The PCC attends a number of meetings on a regular basis with key partners, stakeholders and residents from across the Cleveland area.
- 2.3 In addition to this the PCC has attended many regional and national meetings representing Cleveland.

3.0 Your Force Your Voice

- 3.1 The '*Your Force Your Voice*' engagement initiative continues to take place with 64 wards across the Cleveland area visited. The initiative remains on track with all 82 wards being visited by December 2013.
- 3.2 In addition to this three secondary schools / colleges have been visited in the area (Freebrough Academy, Middlesbrough College, Stockton Sixth Form College & Bede Sixth Form College) to listen to the views of young people.

- 3.3 The Commissioner has also consulted with a group of Young People, Families and Carers with Special Needs from MyPlace in Middlesbrough.
- 3.4 Feedback from all engagement exercises continue to be positive with residents being supportive and appreciative of Neighbourhood Policing in their local area.

4.0 Meetings

- 4.1 Below is a summary of key meetings attended by the PCC. The PCCs diary can be seen published on the PCC website at www.cleveland.pcc.police.uk.
- 4.2 Weekly scrutiny meetings continue to be held with the Chief Constable on a weekly basis. Discussions from these meetings are published on the PCC website under 'Force Accountability'. Any outstanding actions are followed up by the Office of the PCC.
- 4.3 On 1 May 2013 the PCC was asked to launch and attend the Safer Middlesbrough Partnership Restorative Justice Event. This event linked in with the Commissioners objective of diverting people from offending, with a focus of rehabilitation and the prevention of reoffending.
- 4.4 On 2 & 16 May the Commissioner undertook a number of visits to retail premises across the Cleveland area. The aim of these visits was to listen to their crime concerns in advance of attending and speaking at a Federation of small businesses conference on 21 May. A number of issues arose from this consultation and as a result it was decided that the PCC would host a Retail Crime Summit on 1 July 2013.
- 4.5 On 7 May the PCC attended a Farm watch meeting to listen to the views of residents living within the rural and farming communities across Cleveland. The PCC has agreed to host National Farmers Union Conference in the autumn.
- 4.6 On 10 May 2013 the PCC attended an Association of Chief Police Officers (ACPO) National Security Briefing. This event was for PCCs to gain an understanding of the full range of counter terrorism policing, including national security work and how we work together to protect communities against the constantly diversifying threat of terrorism.
- 4.7 On 22 May 2013 the PCC visited the Control Room at Police Headquarters. The Commissioner was briefed on the various systems used within the control room and listened to a number of emergency/ non emergency calls taken by the call takers.

- 4.8 On 5 June the PCC attended the Association of Police and Crime Commissioner meeting. Key topics of discussion were around Victim's Commissioning and Stage 2 Transfers.
- 4.9 On 17 June the PCC held the first internal formal scrutiny meeting. This meeting with around Partners and Commissioning with representatives from the four local Authorities providing the Commissioner with an update in relation to the Community Safety Grants.
- 4.10 In addition to the above on 17 June the PCC also hosted a Violence against Woman and Girls (VAWG) Consultation Event. The purpose of the event was to share and discuss emerging findings with the Police and other relevant front line professionals who have an interface with the Police in relation to VAWG. The overall aim of this event and other events held locally by VCS organisations is to inform and shape the development and implementation of a regional strategy to tackle VAWG in conjunction with the North East PCCs (Cleveland, Durham and Northumbria).
- 4.11 20 June the PCC was invited to hear the concerns of the refugee and asylum seeker community. Representatives from other Organisations such as the Community Safety Partnerships and the Fire Brigade were in attendance.
- 4.12 The PCC held a hate crime summit on 27 June 2013. The aim of the summit was to consult with stakeholders to gain an insight into what is working well, where any gaps are and how organisations can assist the criminal justice system in tackling disability hate crime. Feedback from stakeholders was positive.

5.0 Future engagement / meetings

- 5.1 In the future a number of scrutiny meetings are scheduled to take place namely:
- 5.1.1 Finance, Resource & Policy – 30 July 2013
 - 5.1.2 Performance – 29 August 2013
- 5.2 Other meetings of note include:
- Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner Strategic Planning Day – 11 July 2013
 - Cleveland Community Safety Awards – 15 July 2013
 - Strategic Independent Advisory Group – 29 July 2013
- 5.3 In addition to this there are a number of events the PCCs Office will be hosting in the future:

- Volunteer Fair including representatives from within the Criminal Justice Sector
- Restorative Justice Event for key partners to bring together a consistent set of standards, principles and practice that all agencies involved in the field of Restorative Justice will subscribe to.
- Hosting National Farmers Union Conference – Autumn
- VAWG Follow up event – September 2013.

6 Implications

6.1 There are no implications arising from this report.

Background Papers

The below background papers are available from Rachelle Kipling at the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Cleveland.

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There are no background papers.

