AGENDA ITEM

REPORT TO CLEVELAND POLICE AND CRIME PANEL

22 OCTOBER 2013

REPORT OF HEAD OF DEMOCRATIC SERVICES

LOCAL AUTHORITY SCRUTINY OF CRIME AND DISORDER MATTERS

SUMMARY

This report provides the Panel with an overview of relevant work being undertaken by Local Authority scrutiny panels.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Members note the range of Local Authority Crime and Disorder scrutiny work underway in the Cleveland Police area.

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- The Police and Justice Act 2006 requires local authorities to establish a scrutiny committee with the power to scrutinise crime and disorder matters, principally through examining the work of the relevant Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership. Relevant committees are required to consider crime and disorder matters at least once a year.
- 2. This report outlines the work that is being undertaken during 2013-14 by the four Local Authorities within the Cleveland Police area. The following issues will be considered by each Authority:

Hartlepool BC – Audit and Governance Committee

- Quarterly Review of Community Safety Performance;
- Community Safety Partnership End of Year Performance and Strategic Assessment;
- Input in to the development of policy framework documents (Community Safety Plan, Youth Justice Plan, Substance Misuse Plan);
- Detailed investigation in to 'Reoffending'.

Middlesbrough BC - Community Safety & Leisure Scrutiny Panel

- Police Horses Consequential effects on Middlesbrough re the closure of the Police Mounted section (Police and Police Commissioner)
- Prisoners placements Day release for community service (Kirklevington Prison)
- Crime Data Harmonisation of data and availability (Safer Middlesbrough Partnership -SMP [CDRP])
- Dangerous Dogs Is it a growing problem in Middlesbrough Legislation and enforcement
- Exploitation of children
- Repeat Offending Police Action to reduce

Redcar and Cleveland BC - Scrutiny Board

The Scrutiny Board undertook an annual review of Community Safety Performance in June 2013. There are no further scheduled community safety items for this municipal year.

Stockton-on-Tees BC – Housing and Community Safety Select Committee

The Committee undertook its annual review of Community Safety and Police Performance in June. This included a detailed breakdown of SBC's Community Protection performance and the report of the District Commander. There are no further community safety items currently scheduled for this municipal year.

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