Crime and Disorder Select Committee Chair's Update – January 2019

Scrutiny Review – Hate Crime	
Achieved since last meeting	 The overall aim is to increase awareness and understanding for hate crime issues, seek to build confidence within communities and increase reporting. The review will also explore restorative justice programmes and partnership working arrangements. The Committee will be exploring the following key lines of enquiry: What measures and processes do SBC and its partners have in place to raise awareness amongst key agencies and the wider communities to identify and tackle hate crime? How well are the key agencies working together? How do we measure the effectiveness of activities to raise awareness and provide support? Do we benchmark performance? Are the current priorities and measures in the Hate Crime Action Plan appropriate? How hate crime is recorded and what are the reasons for under-reporting? What is the reported incidence of hate crime in the Borough compared with other areas and is there correlation with numbers of minority groups? What support is needed to encourage victims to report incidences of hate crime? What is the role and impact of social media? Why do hate crimes occur and how can hate crime be prevented? What is third party reporting? The Select Committee approved their final report in December 2018.
Problems or concerns	None
Planned next month	An action plan will be submitted to the March meeting.
On track – yes / no	Yes This review is scheduled to report to Cabinet in January 2019.

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Monitoring

The Committee has not considered any monitoring updates since the last meeting. The next monitoring updates have been put back to the new year to allow all remaining reviews to be completed.

Final progress updates will be submitted to the March meeting of the Select Committee together with a report summarising the work of the Select Committee over the past four years.

Next Meeting

31 January 2019 – Visit to CCTV Control Room.