

Role of Local Crime and Justice Board and the Link with Safer Stockton Partnership

1. This paper has been produced to provide some recommendations and consideration for members of Safer Stockton Partnership to establish the links and remit between the Partnership and the Local Criminal Justice Board (LCJB). The points below provide members with options to consider with regards to the formal communication between the LCJP and the SSP.
2. There are two elements to consider, one is the work that is being carried out by the sub groups, the other is the progress monitoring of the LCJB strategic objectives as identified within the Local Criminal Justice Plan (LCJP) (Appendix 1 attached).
3. The existing Victim and Witness and Reducing Reoffending sub groups have direct representation from the Safer Stockton Partnership. The Effectiveness and Efficiency group which looks at performance around offending and victims as well as measuring how effective the courts are at progressing cases through the process has representation covered through the PCC office.
4. Future engagement and communication between these groups is currently being developed. As a result of this the Victim and Witness group and Reducing Reoffending group will have direct links with the Effectiveness group. As a result reports will be shared under the new way of working between these groups.
5. Throughout the year there will be various task and finish groups that will be established as and when required. It is the responsibility of the representatives in attendance to identify the most appropriate representative or volunteer to attend these time defined groups. Information arising from these groups will be shared within the proposed annual report to the Safer Stockton Partnership.
6. Through the completion of this briefing there is a clear appetite to improve and to strengthen the sharing of information with the Safer Stockton Partnership. There is SSP representation on the Victims and Witness and Reducing Reoffending and Harm groups as well as PCC representation on the Effectiveness and Efficiency group. The four Tees Community Safety Partnerships are also represented on the quarterly PCC Working Together group. It is proposed that emerging issues and requests for support are fed back to the SSP as and when required. The quarterly Local Criminal Justice Board meeting minutes can also be shared with members of SSP for information. In addition to this it is proposed that an annual report is produced outlining the progress made by the LCJB.

7. Recommendations

- Maintain representation from Safer Stockton Partnership on the Victims and Witness Group and the Reducing Reoffending Group, with main representation from PCC on the Efficiency and Effectiveness group
- Agree the following process for feedback reports from LCJB to SSP:-
 - LCJB Annual Report
 - LCJB meeting minutes shared for information
 - Emerging issues agenda items agreed as and when required
- Continued SSP representation on the Tees Working Together Group.