

REPORT OF THE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER

TITLE: Police and Crime Commissioner for South Wales' Annual Report

DATE: 17th September 2019

PURPOSE: For Noting

1.	<p><u>RECOMMENDATION</u></p> <p>That the Police and Crime Panel considers and responds to the attached Annual Report for the financial year 2018/19 as required by the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011.</p>
2.	<p><u>INTRODUCTION & BACKGROUND</u></p> <p>The Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 (Section 12) must produce and present an annual report for the Police and Crime Panel. The attached report highlights progress in 2018-19 towards delivering the priorities in the Police & Crime Plan 2018-21 and following the panel will be published on the Police and Crime Commissioners website.</p>
3.	<p><u>ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION</u></p> <p>The financial challenge faced by South Wales Police remains significant and yet we have delivered almost £0.5 billion of social and economic benefit to South Wales in recent years; this has only been achieved through our determination to focus on early intervention and prompt, positive action, working with partners to be ever more effective.</p> <p>During 2018/19, there has been a continued focus on vulnerability, early intervention and Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs). There is international interest in our work to tackle the impact of ACEs and we were delighted to be asked to make a presentation at the 4th Law Enforcement and Public Health conference in Toronto in October, along with partners from the Early Action Together Programme, including Public Health Wales, Welsh Government and the Home Office. The award of £6.8 million from the Police Transformation Fund to the four Welsh Commissioners has built on the pioneering teamwork in Maesteg on ACEs, and the Home Office grant condition requires us to create opportunities for learning and to share the work that we are doing here in Wales, yielding further benefits for the communities of South Wales.</p> <p>Public Service Boards (PSBs) are now firmly established across Wales to focus their local needs assessments on wellbeing, with ACEs forming a cornerstone of how partners will respond but Regional Partnerships Boards, established through the Social Services and Well-being Act, are of equal importance.</p>

4.	<p><u>NEXT STEPS</u></p> <p>The Police and Crime Panel are required to note and comment, the report will then be published on the Police and Crime Commissioners website.</p>
5.	<p><u>FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS</u></p> <p>There are financial implications to the delivery of the police and crime plan which are fully articulated within the Medium Term Financial Plan which has also been discussed at the panel.</p>
6.	<p><u>PERSONNEL CONSIDERATIONS</u></p> <p>The majority of the Policing and Crime Budget covers Police Officer and Police Staff salaries and employer's contributions. The plan takes account of the pressure on the budget and drive the efficient and effective use of the budget in a planned and timely manner. The annual report reflects these challenges.</p>
7.	<p><u>LEGAL IMPLICATIONS</u></p> <p>Producing the annual report particularly in the light of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) any report or recommendations made by the police and crime panel; and (ii) any changes in the strategic policing requirement (iii) statutory responsibilities of the Commissioner under the Police Reform and Social Responsibilities Act 2011.
8.	<p><u>EQUALITIES AND HUMAN RIGHTS CONSIDERATIONS</u></p> <p>This proposal has been considered against the general duty to promote equality, as stipulated under the Strategic Equality Plan and has been assessed not to discriminate against any particular group.</p> <p>In preparing this report, consideration has been given to the requirements of the Articles contained in the European Convention on Human Rights and the Human Rights Act 1998.</p>
9.	<p><u>RISK</u></p> <p>A timely decision will minimise the risk to the compliance with the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011.</p>
10.	<p><u>PUBLIC INTEREST</u></p> <p>This report will be placed on the website of both the Commissioner and the Police and Crime Panel.</p>
11.	<p><u>CONTACT OFFICER</u></p> <p>Lee Jones, Chief Executive to the Police and Crime Commissioner for South Wales.</p>
12.	<p><u>ANNEXES</u></p> <p>The Annexe to this report is a copy of the Annual report for noting.</p>