

Devon and Cornwall Police Authority Performance Management Committee

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Report of the Chief Executive

Guidance for police authorities on the performance monitoring and scrutiny of protective services

In early 2007, the Association of Police Authorities (APA) commissioned a guidance document to be prepared to assist police authorities undertaking their performance management responsibilities within the areas of protective services. This followed calls from some police authorities that there was little support available to Members and Officers in this area of business.

For the purpose of the guidance, protective services is defined as:

- Major crime
- Serious organised and cross-border crime
- Counter terrorism and extremism
- Civil contingencies
- Critical incidents
- Public order, and
- Strategic roads policing

Several Police Authority Officers volunteered to prepare the guidance working together with the APA's performance advisor. This work was managed and overseen by a Sponsor Group of Members from several authorities.

Preparation of the guidance was prioritised first to the areas of serious organised and cross-border crime, strategic roads policing and major crime. The remaining areas continue to be developed and will be distributed once prepared.

The version presented at Appendix A, is classed as a *final draft* meaning it has been approved by the Sponsor Group (on 11 January) but awaits formal sign-off by the wider APA.

Further updates to the guidance will be shared with Members when they are received.

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