

DEVON AND CORNWALL POLICE AUTHORITY

PLANNING AND CONSULTATION COMMITTEE

A meeting of the **Planning and Consultation Committee** was held on 8 February 2007.

Further information on the items referred to below is contained in the agenda, reports and minutes for the meeting held on 8 February 2007.

Matters discussed (with minute references shown in brackets) included: -

[PC/212]HMIC Baseline Assessment 2006

The Chairman introduced outlined areas for improvement from the HMIC Baseline Assessment 2006 that require oversight and monitoring by the Committee.

This included areas around Diversity communicating and Neighbourhood Policing

[PC/213]Work of the Planning and Consultation Committee

The Committee discussed how Members could become more involved in Committee-related subjects and become more robust in its scrutiny of the Constabulary.

A work plan will be prepared for the Committee for the next 12 to 18 months. Members discussed the effectiveness of PALMs. Further discussion will be delayed until the outcome of the Strategic Police Authority deliberations are finalised.

The Lead Member for Citizen Focus offered to produce a report for the June meeting of the Committee.

[PC/214]Force Communications Strategy

The Committee was provided with a presentation from the Force Communications Manager on the work of the Call Management and Communications Department.

The Committee discussed how Police Authority Members could be kept better informed of policing-related incidents occurring.

[PC/215]Annual Policing Plan 2007-08 and Strategic Plan 2007-10

Members were presented with the latest draft of the Annual Policing Plan 2007-08 and Strategic Plan 2007-10.

Members called for the documents to be slimmed down where possible but recognised the statutory requirements around much of the content.

Members will have the opportunity to discuss the Plans elsewhere on this agenda.

Significant changes to the planning process will take place in 2008 following introduction of the Police and Justice Act.

[PC/216]Police Authority Consultation Update

The Committee were given an overview of the ongoing and planned consultation activities by both the Police Authority and Constabulary. Members were also provided with the results of the July 2006 Public Survey.

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