

**DEVON AND CORNWALL POLICE AUTHORITY**

**PLANNING AND CONSULTATION COMMITTEE**

A meeting of the **Planning and Consultation Committee** was held on 6 September 2006.

***Further information on the items referred to below is contained in the agenda, reports and minutes for the meeting held on 6 September 2006.***

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

**[PC/189 & 190] Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman**

Mr S Malloni was elected Chairman and Mr M Nevitt was elected Vice Chairman.

**[PC/194] Single Non Emergency Number**

Members were updated on the progress and issues associated with the introduction of the Single Non Emergency Number (SNEN) across Devon and Cornwall.

The Home Office has not announced what levels of funding, if any, will be available for those partnerships in Wave 3 nor about any funding post 2008.

The Committee expressed concern of the demands that this service will place upon local authorities. Members were worried that some local authorities would not be able to support the organisational or financial commitments of the SNEN service.

**[PC/195] Evaluation of Community Engagement with minority communities in the Devon and Cornwall Constabulary Force Area**

Members were presented with findings of a review into Community Engagement with minority communities in Devon and Cornwall.

The recommendations contained in the report will be addressed alongside those from an internal review undertaken by the Force.

It is hoped Independent Advisory Groups will assist the Force in taking these recommendations and actions forward.

**[PC/196] Consultation Priorities 2006**

The Committee were presented a report outlining the aims, target audience, methods, costs and timeline for each of the three consultation priorities for the next twelve months.

Work has begun on the Neighbourhood Policing strand of the consultation. Face-to-face consultation is underway focusing on public opinion of Police Community Support Officers (PCSOs). So far this is receiving positive public comment.

**[PC/198] Local Policing Summary**

Members reviewed the final draft of the Local Policing Summary for 2006. Several delays in the production of the Summary were largely due to uncertainty over the future of Devon and Cornwall Constabulary following the former Home Secretary's decision to restructure national policing.

Interruptions had also been experienced due to personnel changes in the Command Team.

**[PC/199] Exeter College Consultation Event**

Further education students were invited to deliver presentations at an event in May on a theme chosen by Police Authority Members and officers. The subject of this particular event was diversity. The Chairman suggested that the Police Authority needs to consider further ways of increasing and widening the consultation held with young people.

**Simon Malloni**  
**Chairman of the Planning and Consultation Committee**