

**Presentations on Crime and Disorder,
Crimestoppers, and Surrey Police and Crime
Panel**

Portfolio	Community
Ward(s) Affected:	n/a

Purpose

To consider an update on Crime and Disorder within the Borough, a presentation from Crimestoppers and an update on Surrey Police and Crime Panel

Background

1. The Committee will receive the following presentations on changes to police governance arrangements and community safety in the borough.

Crime and Disorder Update – Item 5

2. In accordance with the requirements of the Police and Justice Act 2006, External Partnerships Select Committee has been designated as the Council's Crime and Disorder committee.
3. Martin Goodwin, the Borough Inspector, will update the Committee on crime and disorder within the borough.

Crimestoppers – Item 6

4. Crimestoppers is an independent charity which was established in 1988. It works in partnership with the Police to target local issues and enable people to pass on information about crime and criminals anonymously. Crimestoppers has over 500 volunteers who carry out a wide range of roles for the charity.
5. The charity has an anonymous phone number and a website, www.crimestoppers-uk.org, through which members of the public can pass on information about crime. Members of the public are not required to give any personal information and calls are not recorded. Calls and information forms submitted online cannot be traced.
6. The Committee will receive a presentation from Angela Hollinshead, Surrey Crimestoppers Area Manager.

Surrey Police and Crime Panel Update – Item 7

7. On 15 November 2013 elections were held in England and Wales for Police and Crime Commissioners, who replaced the 41 police authorities in England and Wales. Mr Kevin Hurley, Surrey's first Police and Crime Commissioner, took office on 22 November 2012.
8. The changes to the police governance arrangements resulted in the establishment of Police and Crime Panels, which are responsible for holding the Police Commissioner to account. The Police and Crime Panel has the power to veto the appointment of the Chief Constable and the setting of the Police precept. The Panel is responsible for reviewing the PCC's Annual Report. It also oversees all complaints against the PCC and is pivotal in ensuring that the PCC is justly holding the Chief Constable to account.

9. The Surrey Police and Crime Panel is comprised of 1 member representative from eamech district or borough council and the county council, plus 2 co-opted members
10. The External Partnerships Select Committee's Terms of Reference include responsibility for scrutinising the Police and Crime Panel. Cllr Charlotte Morley, the Council's representative on the Panel, will update the Committee on the work of the Surrey Police and Crime Panel.

Proposal

11. It is proposed that the Committee receives each presentation, followed by Members' questions and discussion.

Recommendation

12. The Committee is asked to consider the presentations and consider any future steps which Members would wish to recommend to the Executive and/or Council.

Background Papers:

None

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