

<b>Meeting</b>	<b>Public SPA Board Meeting</b>
<b>Date</b>	<b>25 May 2017</b>
<b>Location</b>	<b>Golden Jubilee Conference Hotel, Clydebank</b>
<b>Title of Paper</b>	<b>Policing Committee Chair Report</b>
<b>Item Number</b>	<b>17.4</b>
<b>Presented By</b>	<b>George Graham</b>
<b>Recommendation to Members</b>	<b>For Noting</b>
<b>Appendix Attached:</b>	<b>NO</b>

**PURPOSE**

To provide the Board with an update on business progressed through the Policing Committee on the 12<sup>th</sup> April 2017 and 11<sup>th</sup> May 2017.

**1. Attendance at future Policing Committees (New)**

- 1.1 It was agreed that the Terms of Reference would be updated to reflect that the Committee Chair would have the discretion to invite not only, as stated, external stakeholders and partner agencies but also representatives from Staff Associations and Scottish Government. It was noted that these attendees would be invited for consideration of specific agenda items and contributions would be welcome when considered appropriate.

**2. Strategic Co-ordination of Approach taken to Public Confidence (Ongoing)**

- 2.1 ACC Andy Cowie provided Members with an overview of the work to date intended to strategically coordinate an evidence based approach to improve levels of public confidence and satisfactory policing. Noting the significant number of interdependencies in relation to police work and public confidence it was agreed this caused difficulties in quantifying what public confidence actually meant.
- 2.2 Members requested work be done to include the positive results from Police Scotland's work and to allow the paper to be presented in May to capture a balanced view with an opportunity to highlight the good work that is being done.

**3. Launch of Annual Police Plan Review (New)**

- 3.1 Members noted the work to deliver the Annual Review of Policing had commenced and a summary was provided of the following; focus of review, proposed structure of review and the timeline of key events.

**4. Presentation on Sexual Crime (New)**

- 4.1 A draft presentation on the work being done by Police Scotland in relation to Sexual Crime was provided. Attendees noted the presentation would also be provided at the Public Board Meeting on the 25<sup>th</sup> May. The presentation is planned to provide an opportunity to educate Members on the work being done, to demonstrate how issues are being tackled and the approach being taken in relation to prevention. The presentation is intended

to provide assurances in relation to what Police Scotland is doing to tackle Sexual Crime and the interdependencies across Police Scotland. The intended outcome of the presentation will be an increased awareness and better understanding of the subject matter which will equip Members to robustly scrutinise future data and to effectively hold the Chief Constable to account.

**5. Localism (Ongoing)**

- 5.1 Attendees were provided with a presentation on Localism and what action was required by the SPA to discharge it's duties in relation to Localism. Members discussed their need to be assured the Local Outcome Improvement Plans (LOIPs) were delivering and asked how they could support this work. ACC Andy Cowie and Eleanor Gaw (SPA) will meet to further discuss how the matter will feed into the Policing Committee, how often, the linkage to 2026 and what involvement the SPA would have.

**6. British Transport Police (BTP) Integration (New)**

- 6.1 ACC Bernard Higgins attended to provide an update on the ongoing work in relation to the BTP Integration Project.

**7. Emergency Services Mobile Communications Programme (ESMCP) (New)**

- 7.1 Attendees were appraised of the ongoing work to prepare the organisation for the advent of the new Emergency Services Network. Members noted a dedicated team would sit under ACC Mark Williams to take this work forward and it was agreed the Policing Committee would receive regular updates on the progression of this project. Noting that the SPA Chief Executive Officer sat on the Project Board, Members were keen to support the work in this regard and invited Police Scotland colleagues to propose ways in which the SPA could engage and support the work.

**8. 2026 (Ongoing)**

- 8.1 Members have been provided an update on the work in relation to the consultation and engagement process. Malcolm Graham attended the Committee to update Members on the initial feedback from the 2026 Consultation. An overview of the planned next steps was also provided.

**9. Evaluation of Police and Fire Reform Report (New)**

- 9.1 Professor Nick Fyfe from SIPR provided attendees with a summary of his report findings. The planned publication of the report is June 2017.

The next Policing Committee is on the 4<sup>th</sup> July 2017