

AVON AND SOMERSET POLICE AND CRIME PANEL

9 OCTOBER 2018

REPORT OF THE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER

DRAFT POLICE AND CRIME NEEDS ASSESSMENT

PURPOSE

To invite Police and Crime Panel Members to discuss and shape the Police and Crime Needs Assessment, and to outline plans for producing the assessment in the future.

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The Avon and Somerset Police and Crime Needs Assessment (PCNA) is produced to present a consolidated, evidence-based, picture of the most significant issues, risks and threats shared by local crime, community safety, criminal justice, and other partner agencies across Avon and Somerset in order to inform strategic planning and decision making.

Panel Members are invited to discuss the Draft Police and Crime Needs Assessment. The assessment has been produced by reviewing key documents and inviting stakeholders to offer feedback on a draft. Additionally, core stakeholders were invited to a workshop in order to identify any missing data sources, key themes that needed inclusion within the assessment and to discuss critical risks that should be reflected within it. This has shaped the draft to the point at which contributions are sought from the Panel.

APPROACH TO PRODUCING THE POLICE AND CRIME NEEDS ASSESSMENT

The document becomes less effective for informing strategic planning and decision making as it dates. Producing the document should be less onerous if collation of key information were fed in and reviewed on a rolling basis with a regular collective discussion of how this should be reflected within the assessment.

Therefore to increase the value of the document and reduce the burden of its production, it is proposed that the following should happen:

- The stakeholders who were invited to the PCNA development workshop should be identified as a working group, similar to the Strategic Plan Working Group that formed to produce the Police and Crime Plan
- This group should have responsibility for identifying core source documents relevant to the development of the needs assessment on a quarterly basis and submitting them to the Planning and Performance Officer for consideration on a quarterly basis with a summary paragraph on core messages e.g. identification of new risk; highlighting increasing prevalence of an issue

- The Needs Assessment will be revised twice a year (see timeline below), adopting the same staged approach as has been applied for this draft assessment.

Month	Activity	
October	Panel review draft PCNA	
November	PCNA finalised and published;	Plan Refresh development begins
December	Quarterly Checkpoint	
January		
February	Panel review refreshed Plan	
March	Quarterly Checkpoint PCNA development begins	Refreshed Plan finalised
April	Panel review draft PCNA	
May	PCNA finalised and published	
June	Quarterly Checkpoint	
July		
August		
September	Quarterly Checkpoint PCNA development begins	

RECOMMENDATION

That the Panel endorse the revised approach proposed regarding production of the assessment in future.

That the Panel review and consider the Draft Police and Crime Needs Assessment and submit a co-ordinated response within three weeks to:

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Attachments

Annex A – Consultation Draft Police and Crime Needs Assessment – *to follow*