COMMUNITY OUTCOMES MEETING

15 September 2020

SUBJECT: NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING Report of the Chief Constable

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1. This report outlines the Force's position in relation to the Neighbourhood Policing.

RECOMMENDATION

2. That the Police and Crime Commissioner uses this report to scrutinise Force performance in respect of the Neighbourhood Policing.

POLICE AND CRIME PLAN

3. The PCC has pledged in his refreshed Police and Crime Plan to protect frontline policing and protect Police and Community Support Officers. Neighbourhood Policing is key to keeping our Communities safe and feeling safe.

KEY INFORMATION

- 4. The PCC has continued his commitment to protect frontline policing.
- 5. He set the 2019/2020 budget on Friday (01/02) which outlined the continued commitment to frontline policing, it sees an additional 264 officers and specialist staff invested into protecting local communities, with Police Community Support Officer (PCSO) numbers maintained (603) over the next 12 months.
- 6. The PCC has visited Neighbourhood Policing Teams across West Yorkshire taking part in days of action and speaking to staff, communities and members of the public.
- 7. Protecting Neighbourhood Policing is a key priority in the PCCs Police and Crime Plan.
- 8. The PCC continues to receive feedback from individuals and communities about both the level, quality and impact of Neighbourhood Policing.
- 9. He responded to the Home Office's Front Line Review (July 2019)
- 10. An update report has also been discussed by the Police and Crime Panel (13 Sept 2019)
- 11. The PCCs Community Conversation Survey June 2020 flagged 53% pf respondents described the overall work of the police during lockdown as good/very good. In total, 89% of respondents recorded some degree of satisfaction with the work of the police (slightly above the current Your Views figure of 81% satisfied). 27% of respondents said they were unhappy with the degree of police presence, and 21% said they had not seen any police in their neighbourhood during lockdown.

Of those who were *dissatisfied* with the level of policing in their neighbourhood, 43% recorded that they felt more police were needed locally, with just 2% saying there were too many police present in their local area.

PARTNER CONTRIBUTION

12. Both statutory and non-statutory partners work at a local level to support Neighbourhood Policing, this may also include PCSO partnership funding arrangements.

ATTACHMENT

Chief Constables report - Neighbourhood Policing (PDF 1.42MB)