

HAMPSHIRE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL

Report

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Title:	Future Meetings and Work Programme of the Hampshire Police and Crime Panel		
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1. Executive Summary

- 1.1. The purpose of this paper is to propose meeting dates of the Hampshire Police and Crime Panel (“the Panel”) for the 2015/16 municipal year, and to set out the work programme for the Panel.

2. Legislative Context

- 2.1. It is for the Panel to determine its number of meetings. It is anticipated that the Panel will require a minimum of four ordinary meetings in public in each municipal year to carry out its functions.
- 2.2. In addition to the scheduled ordinary meetings, additional meetings may be called from time to time, in accordance with the Panel’s Rules of Procedure (see Rule 1).
- 2.3. The Panel may also be required to hold additional meetings should the Police and Crime Commissioner for Hampshire (PCC) wish to appoint to specific posts within their staff, or should a non-serious complaint be made against the PCC.

3. Proposed Meeting Dates

- 3.1. The proposed 2015/16 meeting dates for the Panel are listed in Table 1 below. Members are requested to reserve each date in their diaries.

<u>Proposed Date</u>	<u>AM start time</u>	<u>PM start time</u>	<u>Proposed Location</u>
Friday 3 July 2015	10.30am	1.30pm	Council Chambers, Hart District Council
Friday 2 October 2015	10.30am	1.30pm	Council Chambers, Gosport Borough Council
Friday 22 January 2016	10.30am	1.30pm	Ashburton Hall, Hampshire County Council
Friday 8 April 2016	10.30am	1.30pm	TBC

Table 1

- 3.2 Each meeting is proposed to take place at 10.30am, in order to allow members of the Panel to hold a pre-meeting briefing prior to the start of the formal meeting.
- 3.3 It is suggested that the Panel continue to hold all-day meetings in order to move to a more proactive scrutiny and support of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Hampshire. The proposed schedule for meetings in 2015/16 is described in Table 2.

<u>Time</u>	<u>Meeting</u>
9.30am	Panel Briefing
10.30am	Formal meeting – work-programmed items <i>(public meeting)</i>
On rising of formal meeting	Working lunch
1.30pm	Police and Crime Plan scrutiny - evidence gathering session <i>(public meeting)</i>

Table 2

4. Cancellation of December Meeting

- 4.1 In light of changes to the proactive scrutiny timeline, the Chair and Vice Chair have reviewed the 2014/15 calendar of meetings to ensure that the Police and Crime Panel is efficient and effective in its scrutiny and support of the PCC. They have determined that the scheduled additional meeting in December is no longer required, for the following reasons:
- 4.1.1 From the experience of the Plan working group on the ‘rural crime’ topic, there would not be enough time to finalise the ‘youth offending’ report and call-out for evidence on ‘diversity’ prior to the December meeting. Similarly, there would be a shorter time period to finalise the ‘diversity’ report and call out for evidence on ‘victims and witnesses’.
- 4.1.2 Therefore the proactive scrutiny of ‘diversity’ would be more timely in January 2015, and the scrutiny of ‘victims and witnesses’ would be better suited to April 2015.
- 4.1.3 The sole item on the agenda (which is not a standing item) is the HMIC report on data integrity, which would be more timely to consider at the PCP’s formal meeting in January, once the Constabulary has formed any action plan in response to the report’s recommendations (if appropriate).
- 4.1.4 The cancellation of the meeting will result in a saving to the taxpayer (owing to reduced spend on travel, printing, refreshments and officer time).

4.2 It is instead suggested that the 'Police and Crime Plan working group' meetings on the 5 December to agree the scope for the 'diversity' proactive scrutiny, and that a meeting of the 'Finance working group' also takes place in this month to begin preparative work in advance of the Panel's scrutiny of the precept.

5. Meeting Dates and Work Programme

5.1. A work programme is attached as [Appendix 1](#).

6. Recommendations

6.1 That the meeting dates for 2015/16 are agreed.

6.2 That the cancellation of the 5 December meeting is noted and agreed.

6.3 That the work programme, subject to any recommendations made at the meeting, is agreed.

Section 100 D - Local Government Act 1972 - background documents

The following documents discuss facts or matters on which this report, or an important part of it, is based and have been relied upon to a material extent in the preparation of this report. (NB: the list excludes published works and any documents which disclose exempt or confidential information as defined in the Act.)

Document

Proposed Future Meetings of the Panel 2014/15 and Work Programme of the Hampshire Police and Crime Panel (July 2014)

Location

<http://documents.hants.gov.uk/partnerships/hampshire-pcp/2014-07-04PoliceandCrimePanelItem18MeetingDatesReportandWorkProgramme.pdf>

<u>Meeting Date</u>	<u>Key Agenda Items</u>
23 January 2015 10.30am Winchester	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public questions • PCC precept 2015/16 • PCC Estates Strategy progress update • HMIC report on Crime Data Integrity • Plan Implementation Monitoring • PCP budget for grant 2015/16 • Quarterly Complaints report • Evidence gathering session (Theme: Diversity)
10 April 2015 10.30am Farnborough	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public questions • PCC Police and Crime Plan review • Plan Implementation Monitoring • PCP Proactive Scrutiny review • Quarterly Complaints report • Evidence gathering session (Theme: Youth Offending)
3 July 2015 10.30am TBC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public questions • Election of Chairman • Election of Vice Chairman • PCC Annual Report • Plan Implementation Monitoring • PCP Annual Report • Quarterly Complaints report
2 October 2015 10.30am TBC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public questions • Plan Implementation Monitoring • Quarterly Complaints report
22 January 2016 10.30am TBC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public questions • PCC precept 2016/17 • Plan Implementation Monitoring • PCP budget for grant 2016/17 • Quarterly Complaints report
8 April 2016 10.30am TBC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public questions • PCC Police and Crime Plan review • Plan Implementation Monitoring • Quarterly Complaints report