

Action List: Sussex Police and Crime Panel – 22 March 2024

Agenda Item	Action	Responsibility	Status
<p>Item 4.</p> <p>Panel Questions to the Commissioner</p>	<p>1) Cllr Baynham asked whether the Commissioner knew how the Force responded to a letter sent by Suella Braverman MP (September 2023) to all PCCs regarding police involvement in political matters and influence in political activism?</p> <p>Action for OSPCC to source the response and direct the member to it.</p>	<p>OSPCC</p>	<p>In September 2023, the Rt Hon Suella Braverman KC MP commissioned His Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary and Fire & Rescue Services (HMICFRS) to carry out several inspections into activism and impartiality in policing.</p> <p>Sussex Police were one of the 12 police force areas in England and Wales that were included within the fieldwork stage of the inspection, although the Commissioner has not seen the response provided by the Force.</p> <p>A further update on the activism and impartiality in policing inspection was published by HMICFRS on 10 January 2024. This can be viewed through the following link: https://hmicfrs.justiceinspectors.gov.uk/publications/update-on-activism-and-impartiality-in-policing/</p> <p>It was originally anticipated that the final inspection report would be published by the end of March 2024. However, it was also acknowledged that this publication may need to be delayed because of the pre-election period ahead of the Police & Crime Commissioner elections on 2 May 2024.</p> <p>The OSPCC will ensure that a copy of the final inspection report is shared with the Panel once this is formally published.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">COMPLETED.</p>

<p>Item 4.</p> <p>Panel Questions to the Commissioner</p>	<p>2) Mr Napthine praised the work of the Rural Crime Team and asked whether they are sufficiently resourced to combat the threat of invasive drone use?</p> <p>Action for OSPCC officers to pass on the feedback.</p> <p>Action for PCP officers to add the drone investment item to the work programme 2024/25.</p>	<p>OSPCC and PCP</p>	<p>Sussex Police are leading the way nationally in terms of their use of unmanned aerial vehicles [more commonly known as drones] in Sussex.</p> <p>It was suggested [by the Commissioner] that the Panel may want to add an item around drone investment within Sussex Police to their ongoing work programme for consideration at a future meeting.</p> <p>The PCC also welcomed the positive feedback about the work of the Rural Crime Team that was provided by the Panel member at the meeting. The OSPCC has, subsequently, shared this feedback with Sussex Police.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">COMPLETED.</p>
<p>Item 4.</p> <p>Panel Questions to the Commissioner</p>	<p>3) Cllr Whorlow asked if rates of criminality among Sussex Police officers are comparable to the wider population?</p> <p>Action for OSPCC to source the statistics over a relevant time period and inform the member.</p>	<p>OSPCC</p>	<p>The Home Office has published its annual statistical release on misconduct cases finalised by police forces in England & Wales in the year ending 31 March 2023.</p> <p>The publication contains information on the outcomes of misconduct and criminal proceedings, appeals to the Police Appeals Tribunals, and the number of finalised complaints, conduct matters and recordable conduct matters. The release is also accompanied by data tables which include information broken down by force area.</p> <p>Further information can be viewed through the following link: https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/police-misconduct-england-and-wales-year-ending-31-march-2023/police-misconduct-england-and-wales-year-ending-31-march-2023#introduction</p> <p>This data is not available for the wider population of England and Wales.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">COMPLETED.</p>