



To:	The Sussex Police & Crime Panel.
From:	The Sussex Police & Crime Commissioner.
Subject:	Sussex Police & Crime Plan 2024/28.
Date:	14 March 2025.
Recommendation:	That the Sussex Police & Crime Panel formally review the Sussex Police & Crime Plan 2024/28 in accordance with Chapter 4 – Section 28(3) of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011.

1.0 Introduction

1.1 This report introduces the Sussex Police & Crime Commissioner's (PCC) Police & Crime Plan 2024/28 and sets out the police and crime objectives, priority areas and measurements to determine progress against the Plan.

2.0 Police & Crime Plan 2024/28

2.1 The PCC has a statutory duty to set the police and crime objectives for their police force area through a Police & Crime Plan. The prescribed content of the Plan is set out in Chapter 3 – Section 7(1) of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 (PRORA).

2.2 Following re-election in May 2024, the PCC has developed a new Police & Crime Plan for Sussex to cover her fourth term of office until May 2028.

2.3 This process has involved a complete review of the police and crime priorities, measurements to determine progress against the plan and the supporting information included within. A copy of the new Sussex Police & Crime Plan 2024/28 can be viewed in Appendix A.

2.4 The PCC has identified three public priority areas for 2024/28, as follows:

Public Priority 1 – PROTECT: Prevent crime and support victims and witnesses.

Public Priority 2 – CATCH: Investigate crime and bring offenders to justice.

Public Priority 3 – DELIVER: Improve trust in policing and build public confidence.

2.5 The Chief Constable must have regard to the Sussex Police & Crime Plan. The new public priority areas and underpinning objectives contained within the plan ensures that the Chief Constable is better able to align her operational policing priorities. These being:

1. PROTECT our communities.
2. CATCH criminals.
3. DELIVER an outstanding service.

- 2.6 Further to any recommendations made by the Panel, the new plan will be launched as soon as is practicable after the meeting and, in any case, before 31 March 2025.
- 2.7 Section 5(9) of the PRSRA also requires the PCC to keep the plan under review. This review will be undertaken on an annual basis, throughout the term of the plan, to ensure that the content of the plan remains current, accurate and fit-for-purpose.

3.0 Public Consultation

- 3.1 As highlighted in the previous reports provided to the Panel, the PCC has considered the views of the local community and victims of crime during the process of developing the new Sussex Police & Crime Plan.
- 3.2 The three public priority areas [and supporting police and crime objectives contained within] have been developed following extensive consultation with members of the public in Sussex to ensure that the new plan reflects accurately the policing, crime and community safety issues that are most important to local residents and communities.
- 3.3 Additional feedback has also been sought from Sussex Police, Brighton & Hove City Council, East Sussex County Council and West Sussex County Council, alongside each of the 12 Community Safety Partnerships (CSPs) throughout Sussex and members of the Sussex Police & Crime Panel.

Recommended – That the Police & Crime Panel:

- i) note the report; and
- ii) formally review the Police & Crime Plan in accordance with Chapter 4 – Section 28(3) of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011.

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