

DYFED-POWYS POLICE AND CRIME PANEL
19TH FEBRUARY 2021

**RESPONSE OF THE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER TO
PANEL REPORT ON ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR**

Recommendations / key decisions required:

1. To note the Commissioner's response to the report
2. To question the Commissioner in relation to that response

Reasons:

The report by the Panel contained recommendations which the Panel felt the Commissioner should adopt.

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ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

In its annual report for 2018-2019 the Panel committed to undertaking an enquiry into and producing a report in respect of the approach taken by the Police and Crime Commissioner in respect of anti-social behaviour. Councillor William Denston Powell agreed to take the lead in preparing the report.

The report was presented to the Panel at its meeting in November 2020 and acknowledged the good work being done by the Commissioner and Dyfed-Powys Police, but made the following recommendations.

- 1) The Commissioner's commitment to the roll out of CCTV for community reassurance and to combat criminality, including incidents of Anti- social Behaviour, is a matter of public record. Without wishing to pre-empt the work of my panel colleagues on the CCTV sub-group I recommend that an assessment be made of the impact of that investment on combatting ASB, to help prioritise deployment of resources in this area in the future;
- 2) Whilst acknowledging the commitment shown by the Commissioner to ensure, via his office's website, social media and communications activities, that members of the public are equipped with information regarding the support services available to them should they become a victim of ASB, I recommend a regular review and audit of this work be undertaken, so as to ensure that such information continues to be effective, accessible and user friendly.
- 3) I recognise the importance of the Commissioner's role as appellant body for victims of ASB but it would be appropriate for that role to be emphasised more in communications work, reminding members of the public of their rights and how to exercise them;
- 4) Whilst recognising the considerable amount of work already being done in relation to the Community Trigger, I recommend that the Commissioner engages pro-actively with the Police and partner agencies in order to improve the effectiveness of the Community Trigger in Dyfed-Powys, in line with the recommendations of the former and current Victims Commissioner

The Commissioner wishes to formally respond to the report and the recommendations it contains.

DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED?

YES

IMPLICATIONS

I confirm that other than those implications which have been referred to in detail below, there are no other implications associated with this report:

Signed: *R J Edgecombe (Lead Officer to the Panel)*

Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Staffing Implications	Physical Assets
NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE

**Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information
List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:**

THESE ARE DETAILED BELOW

Title of Document	File Ref No.	Locations that the papers are available for public inspection
Host Authority File	PACP020	County Hall Carmarthen