

**POLICE AND CRIME PANEL
19 MAY 2023**

**PANEL SCRUTINY REPORT
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Recommendations / key decisions required:

To consider the report made by the Panel's Performance Sub Group and make such recommendations as the Panel thinks fit.

Reasons:

This activity will help meet the Panel's duty to support the Police and Crime Commissioner in the performance of his functions.

Relevant scrutiny committee to be consulted NA

Cabinet Decision Required NA

Council Decision Required NA

CABINET MEMBER PORTFOLIO HOLDER:- NA

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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
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In its annual report for 2021/2022 the Police and Crime Panel identified scrutinising how the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) holds the Chief Constable (CC) to account as one of its key priorities for the coming year.

A Panel sub-group of 7 members was established to undertake this work and their full report is attached.

Overall the sub group was satisfied that PCC holds the CC to account in a robust and positive way and that the dynamic of their relationship appears to be a healthy one.

The recommendations set out in the report are:

1. That the PCC continue with his approach of holding Policing Accountability Board (PAB) meetings in local colleges.
2. That the PCC and CC reflect on the relative importance of public accountability and secure the dates in their diaries for these meetings
3. That meetings should be held regularly and clearly promoted to the public and stakeholders. Dates of PAB meeting should be publicised on the PCP website well in advance.
4. That steps be taken to ensure that the way information is presented at the PAB takes into account the public nature of the meeting and its audience as this would be beneficial in helping the public in fully understanding the replies.
5. That the PCC should aim to more clearly demonstrate how he has held the CC to account in relation to all those matters specified in section 1(8) of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011

DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED?

YES

IMPLICATIONS

I confirm that other than those implications which have been agreed with the appropriate Directors / Heads of Service and are referred to in detail below, there are no other implications associated with this report:

Signed: *LRees-Jones*

Head of Administration and Law

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

CONSULTATIONS

I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below

Signed: *LRees-Jones*

Head of Administration and Law

1. Scrutiny Committee - NA
2. Local Members – NA
3. Community / Town Council – NA
4. Relevant Partners - NA
5. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations

**CABINET PORTFOLIO HOLDER(S)
AWARE/CONSULTED**

NA

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

Title of Document	File Ref No.	Locations that the papers are available for public inspection
Host authority file	PACP-072	County Hall Carmarthen