

POLICY & RESOURCES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

10 FEBRUARY 2022

QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

(1) Question from David Webb to the Leader of the Council

Southend is turning into a city status. What benefits does Southend get and what finances do we get from becoming city status.

Thank you for your question, Mr Webb. The Council will receive no additional specific grant or funding as a result of the new city status. Southend as a place will receive no additional specific grant or funding as a result of becoming a city.

However, the change in status for Southend as a new city can be used to attract inward investment through business, regeneration, and tourism, that can be beneficial for Southend.

(2) Question from David Webb to the Cabinet Member for Public Protection

How many community police officers do we have and where are they deployed and what powers do they have?

Thank you for your question, Mr Webb. There are 11 Neighbourhood Constables within the Community Policing Team which comprise:

- 1 Officer for Shoebury and Thorpe
- 1 Officer for Southchurch and St Lukes
- 1 Officer for Westborough, Prittlewell, Chalkwell and Blenheim
- 1 Officer for West Leigh, Leigh and Belfairs
- 1 Officer for Eastwood and St Laurence
- 2 Officers for Victoria
- 2 Officers for Milton
- 2 Officers for Kursaal

All Community Policing Team officers have full powers bestowed to a Police Officer.