

Summary Report to Policy & Resources Scrutiny Committee 25th January 2017

At the Council meeting in May 2015, Council agreed to make it a requirement that the Council nominee(s) to four specific outside bodies shall submit summary reports to the Policy & Resources Scrutiny Committee. The specific bodies identified were: -

- Essex Fire Authority
- Southend University Hospital NHS Foundation Trust
- Essex Police and Crime Panel
- Kent & Essex Inshore Fisheries & Conservation Authority

In your response, please indicate which Group / Body this report relates to.

Notes:-

- Where there is more than one nominee, a joint report shall be submitted.
- Council has agreed that updates shall be submitted to every other ordinary meeting of the Scrutiny Committee.

Last update - October 2016

Name of Group / Body:- Essex Police and Crime Panel Update on Key Issues

I was unable to attend the last meeting of the Essex Police & Crime Panel held on 1st December 2016 as I was dealing with other Council business. Councillor Byford kindly attended the meeting on my behalf and has sent through the following update from the meeting which started at 2.30 pm.

The Police & Crime Commissioner, Roger Hurst presented the next Budget and took questions on a number of issues:-

- gangs and drug dealers
- use of gym / equipment (and the spend on it)
- tasers
- tablet trial and the roll out across force in September 2016
- use of speed cameras (use data to spot patterns of crime?)
- visible policing successful at lakeside and provided reassurance
- number of police officers greater number of officers leaving than we thought, estimate was 200 leaving by July 183 had left.

At the meeting there was also discussion on ill health retirement, numbers of staff on sick leave, the operational performance, the Police & Crime Plan, annual report, crime levels and unsolved crime rate, policing attendance at meetings, the Fire Authority and Essex area sub group.

The meeting ended at 4:50pm

Person / Persons Making Response: Councillor Mark Flewitt Date:- 19th December 2016