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REPORT ON THE COMMISSIONER'S REVISIONS TO THE POLICE AND CRIME PLAN FOR NORTH WALES

Background

This report is made in accordance with the Police and Crime Panel's statutory duty contained in Section 28(3)(a) and (b) of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 (Act).

Review of revisions to the Police and Crime Plan

The North Wales Police and Crime Panel (PCP) considered the Police and Crime Commissioner's (PCC) revisions to the Police and Crime Plan for North Wales at its meeting on 28 January 2019.

As part of the mid-term review, the PCC had considered the assessment of crime carried out by the Force to understand the crimes that had the greatest and most profound impact; it was often not volume crime, but the types of crime that were insidious in nature and absolute in their impact and profoundly affected those who were most exposed and vulnerable.

Therefore, the PCC was proposing to include an overarching priority 'Reducing Criminal Exploitation of Vulnerable People', which would thread across all of the other 5 policing priorities.

The criminal exploitation of vulnerable people was seen in organised crime models (e.g. County Lines), modern slavery, sexual abuse and in local crime. Preventing and protecting people from criminal exploitation had to be the key focus for policing in North Wales for the next few years.

The PCP supported the revisions to the Police and Crime Plan and welcomed the input from the communities of North Wales via an online survey and questioned how feedback would be given to communities.

The Chief Executive of the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner advised that the revised Police and Crime Plan would be published and publicly available, however he would ensure copies were circulated to Town and Community Councils.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the revisions to the North Wales Police and Crime Plan be approved in accordance with Section 28(3)(b) of the Act.

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