

Meeting	Police and Crime Panel
Date	16th December 2021
Report Title	PCC consultation activities to inform the Police and Crime Plan 2022-25

1. **Purpose of report**

- 1.1. A summary of the engagement activities to inform the development of the Police and Crime Plan 2022-25, including findings so far.

2. **Police and Crime Plan 2022-25 engagement plan**

- 2.1. The PCC is conducting a number of engagement and consultative activities to inform the Police and Crime Plan 2022-25 (P&C Plan). This includes the following:

Engagement activity	Period conducted	Method	Status
#Useyourvoice consultation survey	18 October-22 November	Online Survey	Completed
Youth commission	Summer to current	Youth people network with Targeted survey and	Awaiting results – Due Dec 2021
Stakeholder events and town hall style meetings	January 2022	Discussion events (online / person*)	Scheduled for stakeholders and local communities
Precept survey on the PCC precept proposal	January 2022	Online survey	Scheduled

*Covid regulations dependant

- 2.2. This activity is in addition to the engagement the PCC continues to conduct with local communities, boards, frontline policing, volunteers and stakeholders on policing and crime issues.
- 2.3. To date more than 2,800 individuals have contributed to engagement activities to inform the Police and Crime plan 2022-25.
- 2.4. This engagement is already providing a wealth information on views on the policing service, policing priorities and areas for improvement across out communities.
- 2.5. It is also providing information of where subsequent focus should be made to ensure as much of of our community is engaged with.
- 2.6. This information consists of a survey response to detailed written feedback. The OPCC is currently collating this information and will provide updates to the PCP as

the activities are completed. A final summary report across all engagement activity will be prepared for the panel 10 March 2021.

3. USE YOUR VOICE CONSULTATION SURVEY

- 3.1. The PCC #useyourvoice consultation was held between 18 October until the 22 November. The consultation aimed to reach as many people as possible and was shared by:
- Direct Mail – collated emails for stakeholders and contacted them directly
 - OPCC Social Media – increased activity and sharing in local community groups
 - Partner toolkit – the development of a partner toolkit with content ready to encourage partners to share
 - Press releases
- 3.2. The OPCC received 2,723 individual completed responses with 3,997 ‘click-throughs’ (started the survey but did not complete). This represented 75% increase in responses on the most recent policing precept consultation.
- 3.3. This consultation has also received organisational response from stakeholders, community groups and organisations, including the National Farmers Union, representing the 800 farmers in our area.
- 3.4. Key findings:
- 81.9% of respondents were aged 40+
 - 47% of people felt a little or much less safe than 2 years ago, with 48% reporting no change with females more likely to report feeling less safe than male in the last two years (51.8% Females, 44.4% males)
 - 70% of people felt safe during the day in their community
 - 36% of people felt unsafe at night in their community, with 39% feeling very or quite safe
 - 71% of people felt confident they could contact the police
 - 47% of people did not feel confident to contact their local CPT
 - 62% felt the police treated them with respect when contacted
 - 44.5% supported an increase in council tax to support delivery of local policing. Of the people supportive on an increase, 38% said they would support an increase of £1.25, 37% an increase of £3 a month, and 25% said £5 per month.
- 3.5. Further work to analyse the detailed feedback provided. Initial analysis indicates the top concerns for the public are:
- Anti-Social Behaviour
 - Drug use and dealing of drugs
 - Speeding and other road traffic offences
 - Fly tipping and Environmental Crime
 - Violence and Knife Crime
- 3.6. And people believe that the following are where the PCC should direct funding:
- Safer Streets
 - Early intervention
 - Road Safety
 - Community engagement
 - Victims support (was third priority for under 40s)
- 3.7. More detailed findings are provided in Appendix A & B of this report.

4. Youth Commission

- 4.1. The OPCC has commissioned 'Leaders unlocked' to establish a young people to engage with other young people to discuss policing, safety and crime.
- 4.2. 30 young commissioners aged between 14-25 have been leading interactive workshops and surveys with unrepresentative and marginalised groups to reach young people.
- 4.3. The youth commission has received responses from more than 1,100 young people and have identified priorities and recommendations to improve policing and concerns they have.
- 4.4. The priorities the youth commission have identified include:
 - Mental health and interactions with police
 - Drugs and alcohol misuse
 - Social media and online safety
 - Relationships with Police
 - Abuse and violence
 - Grooming and Exploitation
- 4.5. The Youth Commission have prepared recommendations for police, the PCC and their future work which will be shared with the OPCC in early December 2022.
- 4.6. A conference is being held in January by the Youth commission where their recommendations will be presented and what action from Police, OPCC and young people will be taken to address their concerns.

5. Recommendations

- 5.1. The PCP note the update on engagement activities to inform the Police and Crime Plan 2022-25
- 5.2. Panel members are asked to note the findings from work completed to date.

APPENDIX A: Use your voice consultation: Full summary of findings

5.3. Respondents:

- 1315 responses from those that identified as male and 1163 responses. 118 responses stated, 'prefer not to say', 12 responses stated 'self-described', 114 did not state.
- 2,230 people, 81.9% of respondents were aged 40+ meaning those under 40 are significantly underrepresented in this survey with 379 people responding as aged below 40
- 85.8% of respondents identified White British as their ethnic group and 6.7% did not state their ethnic group, indicating that ethnic minorities are underrepresented within this survey

5.4. Key findings:

- 47% of people felt a little or much less safe than 2 years ago, with 48% reporting no change with females more likely to report feeling less safe than male in the last two years (51.8% Females, 44.4% males)
- 53% of people felt a little or much less safe than 5 years ago, with 38% reporting no change
- 70% of people felt safe during the day in their community
- 42% do not feel they are being kept up to date on crime issues
- 36% of people felt unsafe at night in their community, with 39% feeling very or quite safe
- 71% of people felt confident they could contact the police
- 47% of people did not feel confident to contact their local CPT
- 62% felt the police treated them with respect when contacted
- 51% were confident that the police treated everyone fairly
- Just over 1 in 3 people reported being a victim of crime in the past 2 years, with 50% reporting it to police
- Recorded crime figures indicate that 1 in 20 crimes are reported to Wiltshire Police. Further work is being undertaken to understand to compare with other information from the British Crime Survey
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