

Question received	Raised by	Question	Response date	Response
23/01/17	Cllr Richard Britton	During the early stages of the now defunct Tri-Force Collaboration Programme the three forces reached an agreement on how the costs and benefits of individual collaborative projects would be apportioned. Now that Avon & Somerset has dropped out of this programme has a new agreement been reached with Gloucestershire – particularly with regard to the apportioning of project costs?	09/02/17	No agreement has yet been reached with Gloucestershire as we are still discussing with them which areas may be within the scope of future collaborations. In the same way, we review all opportunities for collaborations with the other 42 Forces in England and Wales.
23/01/17	Cllr Richard Britton	You have often stated that Neighbourhood Watch is not a Police programme. Please would you clarify exactly what role you expect the police to play in the running of the much-valued neighbourhood Watch scheme.	09/02/17	<p>Neighbourhood Watch Scheme (NHW) is a very valuable and respected volunteer group and Wiltshire Police currently supports it in many ways, such as making available a staffing resource and working closely with it with regard to Community Messaging, resources for which I fund separately. The police support it to ensure their efforts provide the most effective support to the police, including crime prevention and intelligence, so keeping their communities safe.</p> <p>The liaison with NHW is provided though Wiltshire Police Crime Prevention department. This department is currently restructuring and one of the new roles will be the Crime Prevention and Reduction Supervisor. This role will continue to have liaison with NHW, developing links with Corporate Communications (which manages Community Messaging) and intelligence. This post went out to advert last week, so the liaison and support, which is at the moment carried out by the current Crime Prevention Design</p>

			Advisor, will be handed over to the new post holder to drive forward, when appointed.
06/02/17	Cllr Richard Britton	<p>Your stated ambition to recruit 500 Special Constables means that you plan to have approximately 20 Specials in each Community Area/ Locality.</p> <p>This is equivalent to at least one Full-time post in each Community Area/Locality.</p> <p>Will they be deployed by the Community Coordinator to ensure they are focused on the current Tasking priorities which are agreed with the Area Board/Locality? If not, how will you ensure that the Specials will be fully integrated into the new Community Policing model.</p>	<p>09/02/17</p> <p>Just for clarification, it is Wiltshire Police which is planning to recruit 500 specials. I have made the commitment and funding available to support this initiative. Recruitment is very positive and the Panel will continue to receive regular updates. Although it is planned to recruit 500 Special constables, as part of the recruitment and retention programme, the intension is to fully integrate specials into the Community Policing Teams or within more specialist cadre and the Panel will received the details of this within future reports. The numbers and locations of specials deployment will be balanced with greatest demand and the greatest need and also take into account the specials' views as to how and where their skills can be best utilised.</p> <p>Whilst this is the current plan, as with other officers and staff under his control, the Chief Constable is responsible for operational deployment.</p>