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COMMUNITY SERVICES AND LICENSING COMMITTEE

MEMBER REPORT

NAME OF	Police and Crime Panel
ORGANISATION/BODY	
DATE OF LAST MEETING	25th March 2022
ATTENDED	

BRIEF REPORT

The Police Commissioner gave a report on progress on key parts of the strategy and election commitments given before a presentation on actions taken in response to the HMICFRS report. The main points being:-

- The Constabulary had recruited an additional 44 police officers and 96 police staff since May.
- More resources are to be distributed to district police forces to support current initiatives.
- Anti-social; behaviour figures show 38% decline.
- There had been a recent successful joint operation across all five south-west police forces securing both drugs and significant sums of cash – more joint ventures are planned in the future.
- Response times on booth 999 and 101 calls had improved, but acknowledged there was more to do, particularly on the 27% 101 call abandonment rate.
- The commissioner fund been oversubscribed priority will be given to those schemes focusing on fighting crime and youth schemes.
- The recent Cheltenham festival had bene the largest ever and level of arrests and anti social behaviours generally low, however there was an issue of lack of Portaloos leading to local gardens being used as toilets.
- The recently developed 'Flare' app created for women and girls, to anonymously share their experiences of how and where they've felt unsafe had 2,500 downloads and had been used for 240 reports so far the intent this is extended to anti-social behaviour.

In response to questions on the report the following additional issue was discussed:

• The continued use of police resources to deal with 'Cat 2' events involving members of the public with mental health issues which ambulance staff are not attending

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