

PCC Priorities – Consultation Response

1. Do you agree with the proposed priorities? If you do not agree or think there is something missing, please state any recommended changes.

The proposed priorities appear to deliver the mission statement. Your clear commitment to protect Fareham's residents could be fervently confirmed by replacing the word "safer" to the word "safe" to avoid introducing an element of subjectivity.

We agree with the first priority to "enable effective and efficient operational policing which meets the needs of the people it serves, by empowering the Chief Constable". We do feel that the priority could be more appropriate if it stopped at the word "serves". There are many others who have influence over the ability to provide an efficient and effective operational police force, both within the Police and also external organisations. If you feel that the Chief Constable needs to remain in the body of the priority then perhaps an addition of "and her team" could be added.

More detailed delivery planning will hopefully enable you to confirm numbers of front line officers and a clear commitment to prioritising tackling anti-social behaviour in partnership with local authorities and community safety partners. It is essential that local priorities have the appropriate resources from all partner agencies so that we can deal with issues in a robust and timely manner.

We agree with the second priority to "strengthen partnerships to work together to reduce crime and promote public safety" however would like to work in partnership with the PCC to realise the aspiration to "create vibrant, inclusive communities". One of Fareham Borough Council's priorities is to have **strong, safe and inclusive communities** by working with others to provide an environment where people of all ages feel safe. We will take steps to provide people with greater influence and power over the decisions that affect their lives and build more inclusive communities by providing easy and affordable access to information and services provided by the Council. We will also ensure that measures are in place to protect the health and safety of people who live, work or visit the Borough.

We agree with the third priority to reduce offending, however acknowledge this is cannot be undertaken in isolation.

The priority relating to offending is relevant to the Youth Offending Team and they would like the PCC to continue to provide funding to keep the Youth Crime Prevention team who play a pivotal role in reducing offending in young people. The Youth Offending Team are charged with preventing reoffending. Recent cutbacks in budget are affecting staffing levels. Any assistance the OPCC can provide would support the Youth Offending Team to play their part in delivering the Police & Crime Plan.

To reinforce the partnership ethos, this priority would be enhanced by naming it “Work in partnership to reduce offending.”

We agree with the priority to “support victims and those affected by crime and disorder”. Again, this priority would be further enhanced to read “Work in partnership to support victims and those affected by crime and disorder.” This priority cannot be achieved alone as there are a number of external organisations which play a major role in victim support.

2. Do you feel that these priorities are generally in alignment or at odds with you/your organisation’s priorities?

Your priorities are in alignment with Fareham Borough Council’s priority to have strong, safe and inclusive communities as mentioned in point 1.

The Fire Service confirms they have a similar vision of Pathway 2020.

Southern Domestic Abuse Service (SDAS) has confirmed that their priorities are in general alignment with the PCC’s priorities. SDAS is an innovative and unique provider of all services to those affected by domestic abuse. Their vision is a world without domestic abuse.

3. Do you agree with the ten pledges made? If you do not agree or think there is something missing, please state you/your recommended changes.

We agree that the 10 pledges are admirable adding clarity and intent. All parties would welcome your assurance to be accessible and look forward to the opportunity to meet with you in the near future.

4. How will you/your organisation be able to support the delivery of the Police and Crime Plan?

We will work with you on all of your objectives to help deliver the Police and Crime Plan. We will continue to support delivery of crime prevention by providing CCTV in partnership with Gosport Borough Council. This service provides residents of Fareham with reassurance and provides Police and community safety partners with a virtual officer and resource to obtain evidence for prosecutions.

Fareham Borough Council also provides a Community Safety Team, Fareham Community Safety Partnership. Neighbourhood Liaison Officers and Enforcement Team who work in partnership with local police officers to ensure Fareham remains safe.

5. Do you have any other comments?

We have published your survey on Fareham Borough Council’s “Have your Say” page and look forward to working in partnership with you and receiving regular dialogue and communication in relation to how your priorities will be delivered. We look forward to seeing you deliver a communications strategy that will ensure the

Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner and Hampshire Constabulary keep our residents regularly updated in relation to initiatives, projects and crime statistics. We also look forward to enhancing collaborative working when Police are co-located into the Civic Offices together with Integrated Offender Management, Youth Offending Team, Community Rehabilitation Company and Public Health England.