

REPORT TO: Safer Halton Policy Performance Board

DATE: 4th February 2025

REPORTING OFFICER: Executive Director Environment & Regeneration

PORTFOLIO: Community Safety

SUBJECT: Cheshire Police Performance & Local Policing Unit updates for Runcorn & Widnes

WARD(S) Borough wide

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 To present to the Board Cheshire Police Performance and local policing updates for Runcorn & Widnes.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION: That

- 1) A presentation is received; and**
- 2) the Board comment on Constabulary performance and local policing priorities.**

3.0 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

3.1 Cheshire Constabulary force performance is published annually, an overview of the force's delivery will be provided.

3.2 The Chief Inspectors for Runcorn & Widnes will provide an overview of delivery and priorities for the local policing units.

3.3 There is significant joint work between the Council and Police along with other Halton stakeholders on the borough's community safety partnership, Safer Halton.

4.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

4.1 Crime & Disorder Act 1988
Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime & Policing Act 2014

5.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 None to report.

6.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S PRIORITIES

6.1 Improving Health, Promoting Wellbeing and Supporting Greater Independence

Levels of crime and how safe residents and communities feel about where they live significantly impacts wellbeing and how resilient communities are. Policing and the multi-agency community safety work directly impacts Halton's neighbourhoods.

6.2 Building a Strong, Sustainable Local Economy

Working with stakeholders to deliver policing and underpin a safe environment supporting confidence in the local environment.

6.3 Supporting Children, Young People and Families

The role of policing and its services are universal however, as a multi-agency partner there are shared targeted approaches for crime and disorder which impacts children & young people.

6.4 Tackling Inequality and Helping Those Who Are Most In Need

Crime often disproportionately impacts disadvantaged communities and vulnerable cohorts. Policing and community safety multi-agency approaches provide targeted initiatives and support to specific cohorts.

6.5 Working Towards a Greener Future

None to report.

6.6 Valuing and Appreciating Halton and Our Community

Policing supports Halton's community and works directly with residents and offers engagement through 'Residents Voice'.

7.0 RISK ANALYSIS

7.1 None to report.

8.0 EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES

8.1 None to report, Policing is a universal service with targeted approaches as required to support victims of crime vulnerable cohorts and respond to their needs.

9.0 CLIMATE CHANGE IMPLICATIONS

9.1 None to report.

10.0 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS UNDER SECTION 100D OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

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