CABINET

12 JULY 2013

A.2 - REFERENCE REPORT FROM THE COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP AND PARTNERSHIPS COMMITTEE OF 22 MAY 2013

REVIEW OF THE NEW POLICING STRUCTURE AND ITS IMPACT ON THE COMMUNITY

BACKGROUND

At the meeting on 22 May 2013, the Community Leadership and Partnerships Committee welcomed Mr Nick Alston, the newly-elected Police and Crime Commissioner for Essex.

Mr Alston spoke on his first six months in post and said that he was learning all the time. He said he had received excellent support from local authorities across Essex and that getting together Community Safety Partnership (CSP) Managers had been really important in helping him to do his job.

Mr Alston went on to talk about his basic responsibilities and his key role of holding the Chief Constable of Police to account on behalf of the residents of Essex. He hoped that Councillors would play a pivotal role in assisting him in this work by having a real impact on crime through true partnership working.

Mr Alston said that he planned to tour the county, twice-yearly, to talk about the concerns raised by local authorities and his desire to establish a Rural Crime Forum.

Operationally, Mr Alston advised the Committee that Essex Police received around 80 emergency calls each day; 640 persons killed on Essex's roads each year and that there were over 30,000 victims of domestic violence.

In response to crime prevention, Mr Alston said that everyone should play a part by reducing the opportunities for crime, ensuring local solutions and supporting victims of crime.

The Council's Community Safety Officer made reference to the CSPs Work Plan 2013/14, which gave details of the CPS's priorities for 2013/14; the demographic profile of Tendring and 2013/14 strategic priorities and the draft Police and Crime Plan which contained the comments of the Leader and Cabinet Members of Tendring District Council following Tendring CSP Partners being given the opportunity to respond to the consultation direct.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS AND COMMENTS TO CABINET

Cabinet is now asked to consider the recommendations and comments of the Committee and determine its response if any:

The Committee **RECOMMENDS** to **CABINET** that it consider and put forward, targets and areas where it would like to see improvements in line with the priorities for the CSP for 2013/14 and that these be sent to the Police and Crime Commissioner.

PORTFOLIO HOLDER'S COMMENTS / RECOMMENDATIONS TO CABINET

It is **RECOMMENDED** that Cabinet be asked whether it wishes to put forward targets and areas of improvement it would wish to see undertaken by the Police and Crime Commissioner.