# Summary of amendments in the refreshed Safer in Kent Plan

#### Introduction and context

o Minor amendments including acronym updates (e.g. HMICFRS).

# **Leadership:** Strong ethics, transparency and integrity at all times

- o Addition of commitment to support the Chief Constable in developing and supporting the workforce.
- Addition of commitment to tackle all forms of inequality, encourage diversity and to hold the Chief Constable to account for the equality duties as described in the Equality Act 2010.

#### **Joint Vision**

No amendments.

Guiding principles: People suffering mental ill health need the right care from the right person Crime is important no matter where it takes place Vulnerable people must be protected from harm

o Minor amendments including acronym updates (e.g. HMICFRS).

# The Chief Constable's priorities for the next four years are to:

- 1. Put victims first
  - Text amended to reflect that crime can also have a significant impact on witnesses and that Kent Police must provide a quality service that puts victims and witnesses first.
- 2. Fight crime and antisocial behaviour
  - Text amended to reflect expectation that Kent Police has the right resources with the right skills to investigate and bring to justice those committing crime.
- 3. Tackle abuse, exploitation and violence
  - No amendments.
- 4. Combat organised crime and gangs
  - No amendments.
- 5. Provide visible neighbourhood policing and effective roads policing
  - Text amended to reflect that Kent's roads are shared spaces, used by different types of vehicle, alongside vulnerable road users with little or no protection in traffic. Kent Police must continue to crackdown on main factors that contribute to people being killed and seriously injured and work with partners to address other risk behaviours. Kent Police must also deter and disrupt criminality by denying criminals use of the road network.
- 6. Deliver an efficient and accessible service
  - Priority and text amended to reflect that Kent Police must provide effective systems for the public to report urgent and non-urgent matters whilst continuing to reduce bureaucracy and deliver value for money.

#### The Strategic Policing Requirement

No amendments.

## As the Police and Crime Commissioner, I will:

- 1. Hold the Chief Constable to account for the delivery of Kent Police's priorities
  - Amendments to content of discussion with Chief Constable and Performance and Delivery Board meeting schedule.
  - o Minor amendments and acronym updates (e.g. HMICFRS).
- 2. Support all victims of crime and abuse Enhance services for victims of crime and abuse
  - Priority and text amended to reflect that over the last year progress has been made in the support available to victims, and the focus is now on enhancing victim services through opportunities such as improving reach and scope, and greater utilisation of technology.
- 3. Commission services that reduce pressure on policing due to mental health
  - Minor amendments.
- 4. Invest in schemes that make people safer and reduce re-offending
  - o Minor amendments and removal of bullet points.
- 5. Make offenders pay for the harm that they have caused
  - o Minor amendments and acronym updates (e.g. CPS)
- **6.** Actively engage with residents in Kent and Medway
  - o Minor amendments.

### **Opportunities for the future:**

- 1. Calling for more criminal justice powers for Police and Crime Commissioners
  - Minor amendments.
- 2. Lobbying for a fairer funding settlement for Kent
  - No amendments.
- 3. Further collaboration with other organisations
  - Minor amendments to reflect terminology in the Policing and Crime Act 2017 relating to blue light collaboration.
- **4.** Oversight of the police complaints process
  - Text amended to provide greater clarity around Policing and Crime Act 2017 provisions once enacted (i.e. all PCC's to take on the 'Appellate' function, but may also adopt one of two other options with a corresponding increase in the extent of their involvement).
- **5.** Ideas tested during the consultation Developing new crime prevention and diversion practices
  - O Priority and text amended. This priority was linked to a number of ideas that received feedback as part of the consultation to inform development of the original plan. Over the course of the last 12 months, the majority have been explored and a number progressed. The PCC now wishes to explore how technology may better support crime prevention, and is also keen to develop diversion schemes that help support those arrested, or at risk of arrest.
- 6. Backing volunteering
  - Minor amendments.

#### **Resources and Medium Term Finance Plan**

 Extensively re-written to take account of the latest financial information, including the Government's Police Grant announcement in December 2017.