



Nottinghamshire

**POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER**

28 January 2013

Dear

**Request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)**

I write further to your request for information sent to Jackie Nash.

**RESPONSE**

Under S 1 (1) (a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA), I can confirm that the Nottinghamshire Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner does hold some of the information you have requested.

**What strategies will be put in place to deter re-offending re young people (gangs, crime & youth offending):**

There is a Community Protection Project, Vanguard Plus, lead by the Director of Community Protection, Andrew Errington. The project's purpose is prevention / intervention / education / diversion / enforcement. Vanguard Plus is a partnership between the Police and City Council; it has clearly defined links with other partner agencies (voluntary, public and sector) and has strong links into local communities. Details can be found within the draft Police and Crime Plan which is published on our website

<http://www.nottinghamshire.pcc.police.uk/Public-Information/Police-and-Crime-Plan.aspx>

**Community influence re priorities for the area?**

There are clearly defined/strong links with KINS (Key Individuals Network), community groups etc and Priority Surveys that are available for anyone to complete, either on-line or on paper. The surveys are examined and the results are discussed and they help inform the local Neighbourhood Policing Teams about what is important to communities. The results also feature in local, divisional, force and regional taskings. Details can also be found in the draft Police and Crime Plan.

You can get involved by completing a Priority Survey form, available via the Nottinghamshire Police website. You can also get involved in your local community groups, details of groups can be found on the internet. Unfortunately Nottinghamshire Police have advised that there are no routes available with the Police as some of what is discussed is protected by the Government Protective Marking Scheme and attendees to those meetings have either signed up to the Official Secrets Act, Service Level Agreements, Information Sharing Agreements and have codes of conduct that they must abide by, therefore in many cases it would not be appropriate for you to attend police meetings.

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**Also whether any cultural services for domestic abuse police led will be established, given that not all relationships follow the same structure if any training will be delivered by police to make them aware of DV and the cultural element of abuse which differs based on backgrounds. How can I get involved in this agenda?**

The Domestic Abuse training has been extensive; ALL officers and staff had to attend training. Staff/officers in key public protection roles have been given appropriate training to deal with the cases of Domestic Abuse. Cultural elements are covered in basic training for all officers. There is a clear policy, procedure and guidance for dealing with Domestic Abuse and the force has specially trained staff to deal with any cases of honour based violence and this ensures that victims receive the appropriate level of service. Nottinghamshire Police have advised that you are unable to get involved in this agenda for the reasons outlined above.

Unfortunately, the Commissioner is unable to intervene with Operational Policing matters, these remain the responsibility of the Chief Constable. I hope the information is of use to you however should you require any further information with regards to operational policing matters, please contact Nottinghamshire Police directly.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your interest in the Nottinghamshire Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lisa Pearson".

**Lisa Pearson**  
**Freedom of Information Officer**