1. **Attendees:**

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| **OPCC** |  |  |
| Caroline Henry | Notts Police & Crime Commissioner | CH |
| Gillian Holder | Chief Finance Officer | GH |
| Dan Howitt | Head of Strategy & Performance |  |
| Sandra Coleman | EA to PCC/CEO | Sandra |
| **Force** |  |  |
| Kate Meynell | Chief Constable | Chief |
| Mark Kimberley | Chief Finance Officer | MK |
| Heather Maelor | Superintendent (Prevention Hub) | HM |
| **Apologies:** |  |  |
| Sharon Caddell | Chief Executive & Monitoring Officer |  |
| Steve Cooper | Deputy Chief Constable |  |

1. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting** (26th September 2023)

The Minutes were agreed as an accurate record of the meeting.

1. **Action Log and Matters Arising (Action log updated to reflect this meeting).**

The action log has been updated to include the actions arising from this meeting.

1. **Action Log and Matters Arising.**

It was agreed that the minutes were a true reflection of the meeting.

**Each paper presented was discussed with the key points arising highlighted below; and the Force were thanked for the excellent quality of each paper presented.**

**Agenda:**

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| **No** | **ITEM** | | |
| 1 | Welcome and Apologies | Verbal | Chair |
| 2 | Minutes of previous meeting held on 26th September 2023 | Paper | Chair |
| 3 | Action log and Matters Arising | Paper | Chair |
| 4 | PREVENTING: Making our Street, Villages, Towns and City safer (A1) | Paper | Force |
| 5 | RESPONDING: A Hostile Environment for Serious and Organised Crime (B4) | Paper | Force |
| 6 | SUPPORTING: Communities to Help Make Notts Safe (C4) | Paper | Force |
| 7 | Key Business Decisions | Paper | Force |
| 8 | AOB | Verbal | All |

1. **PREVENTING: Making our Street, Villages, Towns and City safer (A1)**

In terms of cutting back on investment into CCTV, the Police gain a lot of benefit from the footage; however, Councils have responsibility around community safety alongside the Police and need to maintain CCTV coverage but appear reluctant to pay for it. Public perception is that they feel safer knowing that CCTV is being monitored.

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| **Action 56/23: Commissioner to respond to letter from Mansfield District Council regarding CCTV** |

Funding Opportunities for Project Pegasus – could approach businesses in town centre to see what they could do. PCC mentioned that Katy Bourne (retail crime lead for APCC) spoke recently about getting retailers to provide some funding for it.

Business Crime Forum and Shopwatch Scheme - Regular business crime meetings include BID in Mansfield to look at a number of problem-solving plans for Mansfield and Ashfield areas, with 15 stores now being signed up to the Shopwatch Scheme resulting in a 68% reduction in theft. Strategic Crime Lead CI Steve O’Neil, has now been appointed, based in the Prevention Hub. Linking in with SaBa Day, John Lewis and other big retailers in terms of getting better systems in place and being properly joined up. Strategic Lead role should start to join up in terms of policy, Out of Court Disposals etc. Force performance improved significantly.

Safer Streets Programme

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| **Action 57/23: Chief to provide responses to following:**  Of all the interventions deployed, do you have a view of which have been the most effective in crime prevention, improved feelings of safety?  Of all the other interventions deployed as part of safer streets 4 program, are there any other interventions which you would like to see expanded into mainstream activity?  The burglary reduction officer roles performed by PCSOs since Safer Streets 1 has been another great success, although this is not part of their day-to-day role, has this experience made you consider whether this type of role should be funded as part of mainstream activities? |

Operation Castle - Mostly police centric, but the paper details the partners who are involved, and the Force are not concerned about the partners involvement.

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| **Action 58/23: Chief to provide a copy of the Tactical VAWG Plan mentioned on page 7 of the report.** |

Overview of Performance and Achievements

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| **Action 59/23: Chief to provide strategic overview (1 para on each) of the Safer Streets Programme Board, Local Operational Meeting and VAWG Strategic Meetings.** |

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| **Action 60/23: MK to include narrative on e-bikes and laptops for PCSO’s within the budget narrative.** |

The Chief advised that the Force are in the process of setting up a Sustainability Board to be chaired by Mark Kimberley and this will report into a senior board. A figure of £200k per year will be allocated within the capital programme for environmental improvements. These are all subject to a Business Cases. Working with consultants to develop the first sustainability strategy to be included in the next budget.

1. **RESPONDING: A Hostile Environment for Serious and Organised Crime (B4)**

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| **Action: 61/23: Chief to provide further information around the issue with Trading Standards no longer having access to Niche which could cause duplication of enforcement activity.** |

The GAIN network (Government Agency Intelligence Network) attends the regular OCG management meetings and consideration is given as to what GAIN can be involved with.

  The APMIS system (Agency Performance Management and Information System) is used to input information about organised crime and the work being done around it. There is a requirement to use it more nationally and is being rolled out through EMSOU. Training on the system is being undertaken to ensure high priority individuals are inputted. However, it is quite bureaucratic and doesn’t link in with Niche, so work is ongoing to try and get the 2 systems talking to each other to maximise the system’s effectiveness.

The question was asked how the Force make the best use of SARS (Suspicious Activity Reports). Intelligence officers’ access these and they are triaged and on to the fraud investigation/money laundering teams to take on investigations and in less than 1 year assets of £1m have been restrained. In August 1000 reports were received but unsure as yet now many will have been triaged and actioned.

Nitazene is an example of a new synthetic drug reaching the market and there is a Force wide operation in terms of tracking suspected incidents, the response, there is an officer in charge, reviewing drug overdoses and having a trigger plan in the control room which is linked with the national Operation Housebuilder – submissions are sent to national operation to see impact. The Force have very few confirmed cases currently but are working with national leads to look at ways of testing as very few labs offer this service.

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| **Action 62/23: Chief to confirm if Naloxone is being carried by officers.** |

   The Force were asked how they can be assured that there is sufficient level of investment in digital forensics. The Chief said they look at what is happening regionally and nationally and look at innovative ways of creating capacity and using cloud-based solutions. The Digital Board is chaired by ACC Griffin.

In terms of Clear Hold Build, although there is no pilot site identified yet, the Chief emphasised that the Force use this principle in everything they do so this is already happening.

National county line intensification week – is the Force doing anything?

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| **Action 63/23: Chief to confirm if the Force had planned any activities/events during National County Lines Intensification Week which was 9 – 15 October.** |

The Commissioner asked about whether something could be done in terms of a regional operation such as the South East are doing (Operation Scorpion/drugs). CH to raise at PCC/CCC Board meeting.

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| **Action 64/23: Commissioner to raise possibility of a regional operation at PCC/CC Board meeting such as South East are doing with Operation Scorpion.** |

Work is progressing around forensic accreditation without Derbyshire ensuring it fits with operational model.

1. **SUPPORTING: Communities to Help Make Notts Safe (C4)**

Structures of IAGs are being reviewed and extending IAGs to cover, for example, a Jewish IAG. All emerging issues from all of the IAG’s go to the Force IAG. A new role of Co-ordinator for Race Action Plan is being recruited. It was agreed that the joint pot would be used to fund this role and add into budget setting for next year to become part of the whole budget decision. The new IAGs have been selected where gaps have emerged.

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| **Action 65/23: Chief has agreement from the OPCC to go out to advert for the role of Race Action Plan Co-ordinator.** |

Cadet Schemes – the Hyson Green scheme has been set up, is another one needed in Newark in light of the ASB issues.

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| **Action 66/23: Chief to consider if a cadet scheme in Newark should be re-established in light of the ASB (there had been one in the past).** |

MBLC custodial support service - 6 volunteers are working with them, vetting to be completed. They will offer support during detention and carry on with mentoring and pastoral care if it is requested. Looks at adverse experiences for first time offenders. The scheme will be measured to see how it is working.

Local beat surgeries are advertised on social media and in church halls etc, though the Force are not sure now impactful that is. They are held in public spaces such as libraries but looking to perhaps set some up in other local areas such as street outside local supermarket etc., along with other agencies. Notts Alert will also provide an opportunity to advertise better as well as receive feedback.

Rough sleeper walks are continuing in collaboration with the Beacon Project CGL and Framework to address homelessness. Process is not to enforce unless have to, engage 3 times first to get long term solutions. Focus is on individuals rather than the whole issue. The Force are currently trialling a walk around with them to understand issues, meaning there are no problems with engagement. Linking in work with Op Compass. A CBO (Criminal Behaviour Order) is only used if everything else fails. The Sergeant for Op Compass attends meetings regarding those being released from prison. Prisoners are unfortunately still being released without an address.

In terms of rehab programs around street drinking and begging, officers have a step-by-step approach adopted city wise which is to be extended across Force if it works well.

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| **Action 67/23: Chief to provide Dan Howitt with further information on this.** |

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| **Action 68/23: Dan Howitt to highlight to the Reducing Reoffending Board that prisoners are being released with no homes to go to.** |

Community Speed Watch – The Force are working with community volunteers to implement community speed watch in different areas. They are provided with training and form their own activities and share results with local officers. The scheme was launched in January 2023; however, the cost of the approved equipment was a barrier. Therefore, the Force decided to offer the equipment out on a hire basis in the first instance, which has proved popular and there has been more take up in relation to it.

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| **Action 69/23: Dan Howitt to find out how much the approved equipment list costs to enable a community speed watch group to be set up.** |

Neighbourhood Alert – Training is ongoing at the moment, and it will be launched in the next few weeks. The Force will be looking at what other forces are doing and learn from their experiences.

1. **Key Business Decisions**

In terms of the Operation Uplift (ref 4.1) item, the question was asked why this has been included.

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| **Action 70/23: MK to confirm what the DR would contain in relation to this item.** |

1. **AOB**

A letter dated 10th October was received from the Home Secretary regarding events in Israel. A Gold Group has been set up linked into the National Gold operation and daily returns are shared with them but so far there is nothing of any significance.

The Chief shared that there is a risk that the Force are unable to support in terms of being called on for mutual aid as they are below minimum levels, but the position has been explained to the Home Office and a recruitment process will be in place soon.

An email had been received, shared by Rachel Richardson, from Sarah Davenport from Avon and Somerset about potential new allocations and additional recruitment. Nothing has yet come through since the initial letter confirming the twenty. The Chief explained a further letter had been received dated 28th September but not received by the OPCC.

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| **Action 71/23: Chief to provide copy of letter.** |

  The Commissioner mentioned a letter from the College of policing dated 2nd October regarding the Police Constable Entry Programme asking if any Force were interested in doing a pilot. The Chief said she would have to speak to Claire – they could do it but have already got entry routes planned in.

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| **Action 72/23: Chief to speak to Claire about the feasibility of becoming a pilot area for the PCEP.** |

Letter received from Donna Jones Chair of APCCS regarding the fact that the vetting wash through had been completed and about the timescales for moving things forward. suggested ask for confidential briefing on Force data.

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| **Action 73/23: Chief and PCC to have confidential meeting on vetting** |

Preparation briefings for Accountability Meetings.

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| **Action 74/23: Dan Howitt to ensure that the briefing sheet of topics to be scrutinised at the Accountability Board Meetings are shared in good time with the Chief (at least 2 weeks prior to meeting)** |

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**Next Meeting: Tuesday 21st November at 09.15 – Rufford Conference Room 1**