

**SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT
CRIME & DISORDER REDUCTION PARTNERSHIP**

REPORT TO: CDRP Board
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SCRUTINY AND OVERVIEW COMMITTEE: ANNUAL MEETING WITH CDRP

Purpose of this report

1. To enable the CDRP Board to agree an approach for its attendance at the SCDC Scrutiny and Overview Committee meeting of Thursday 2 Sept 2010

Background

2. The Police and Justice Act 2006 requires SCDC to annually "review or scrutinise decisions made, or other action taken, in connection with the discharge by the responsible authorities of their crime and disorder functions".
3. The South Cambs CDRP has sought to work closely with the Scrutiny & Overview Committee. In 2008, the Committee provided input and comment to the drafting process of the CDRP Rolling Plan, and in 2009 the CDRP presented a short update on performance, followed by Committee members asking questions. This year the CDRP is due to meet with the Committee on **Thursday 2 September at 7pm** in the SCDC offices.
3. The CDRP Executive Group met on 7 July 2010 and agreed to propose that the Committee is presented in advance of the meeting with a copy of the existing CDRP Rolling Plan. This will give members an opportunity to identify the questions in advance that they would like to ask, and allow CDRP members to research and gather the appropriate answers.
4. The chairman of the committee, Cllr James Hockney has agreed with this proposal and that scrutiny members should receive a copy of the CDRP Rolling Plan well in advance in order to plan their lines of enquiry. Cllr Hockney is prepared to share those lines of enquiry before the meeting to allow the CDRP to formulate full replies and ensure that the correct representatives attend. Naturally, other questions may arise as the meeting unfolds.
5. Cllr Hockney has also indicated that he would like the scrutiny meeting to provide a truly collaborative forum for exploring how the CDRP, of which SCDC is a member, can improve performance on crime and disorder in the District

Recommendation

- 6 (a) that CDRP board members agree with this approach and in advance provide (i) a copy of the current Rolling Plan and (ii) the most recent monitoring report

(b) that CDRP board members agree to provide information and answers to questions, recognising that this may require additional work at short notice

(c) that CDRP board members agree who will represent the CDRP at the meeting