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POLICE AND CRIME PANEL **10 JANUARY 2017**
REPORT OF THE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR NORTHUMBRIA

DRAFT ANNUAL REPORT 2015-2016

1. Purpose

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to present to Panel members the draft Annual Report 2015-16 of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Northumbria. This draft is attached at Appendix A and input from the Panel is welcomed.

2. Statutory Context

- 2.1 The Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 (chapter 3, section 12) specifies that a Police and Crime Commissioner must produce an annual report on the exercise of their functions in each financial year, including the progress made in meeting the priorities as set out in the Police and Crime Plan.
- 2.2 It is the role of the Police and Crime Panel under section 28(4) of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act to review the annual report and make a report or recommendations.
- 2.3 The annual report is currently in draft format to enable the Panel to make a report and /or recommendations as appropriate. The Commissioner will give a response to any report or recommendations on the annual report before sharing the final version with members of the Panel.

3. Content of the Annual Report 2015-16

- 3.1 The annual report includes an overview of the Commissioners activities and achievements since 1st April 2015 and provides a summary of year end 2015-16 performance data for Northumbria Police. A full break down of year end performance was provided to the panel for their scrutiny in July 2016.
- 3.2 The Commissioner's Police and Crime Plan 2013-18 was published at the end of March 2013 and provides the focus for the annual report.
- 3.3 The Police and Crime Plan is currently being refreshed to ensure that the work of Northumbria Police and the Police and Crime Commissioner is responsive to local needs and priorities.

4. Informing the public and key stakeholders

- 4.1 The report will be simply designed and will be made available on the Commissioner's website – www.northumbria-pcc.gov.uk . Hard copies of the report will be shared with Panel members and key stakeholders such as Community Safety Partnerships, health bodies, local councillors, MPs and key voluntary sector organisations.
- 4.2 A summary of the information in the annual report will be produced and shared with the public across Northumbria. The summary will include additional information such as local police performance, police contact details, good news stories from local areas and an encouragement to report crime and anti-social behaviour.

5. Recommendation

- 5.1 That the draft annual report be reviewed in line with the Panel's duties under section 28(4) of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act.