

Adults and Safer City Scrutiny Panel

26 January 2016

Time 6.00 pm **Public Meeting?** YES **Type of meeting** Scrutiny

Venue Committee Room 3 - Civic Centre, St Peter's Square, Wolverhampton WV1 1SH

Membership

Chair Cllr Paula Brookfield (Lab)
Vice-chair Cllr Patricia Patten (Con)

Labour	Conservative	Liberal Democrat
Cllr Ian Claymore Cllr Bishan Dass Cllr Jasbinder Dehar Cllr Rupinderjit Kaur Cllr Linda Leach Cllr Lynne Moran Cllr Rita Potter Cllr Daniel Warren	Cllr Barry Findlay	

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DISCUSSION ITEMS

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| 5 | Report back of the main messages from site visits to see Assistive Technology (Verbal)

To provide verbal feedback on the main messages identified during site visits to Stowlawn Concierge control room and the Assistive technology suite based in Bilbrook. |
| 6 | Progress on Joint Dementia Strategy for Wolverhampton 2015 - 2017 (Pages 9 - 14)

Paul Smith, Head of Commissioning – Older People to provide an update on the Joint Dementia Strategy for Wolverhampton 2015-17. |
| 7 | Local Police and Crime Plan 2015-16 (Pages 15 - 20)

[To provide an update on the progress made against the Local Police and Plan 2015-16] |

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Minutes - 24 November 2015

Attendance

Members of the Adults and Safer City Scrutiny Panel

Cllr Paula Brookfield (Chair)
Cllr Ian Claymore
Cllr Bishan Dass
Cllr Jasbinder Dehar
Cllr Barry Findlay
Cllr Rupinderjit Kaur
Cllr Lynne Moran
Cllr Patricia Patten (Vice-Chair)
Cllr Rita Potter
Cllr Daniel Warren

Employees

Deborah Breedon	Scrutiny Officer
Tony Ivko	Service Director - Older People
Ros Jervis	Service Director - Public Health and Wellbeing
Kathy Roper	Head of Young Adults Commissioning
Alison Shannon	Head of Finance

Part 1 – items open to the press and public

Item No. *Title*

- 1 Apologies**
Apologies were received on behalf of Cllrs Linda Leach, Elias Mattu and Sandra Samuels.
- 2 Declaration of Interest**
There were no declarations of interest.
- 3 Minutes of Previous Meeting**
The minutes of the previous meetings held on 22 September 2015 and 10 November 2015 were agreed and signed as correct records subject to the following amendments:

22 September 2015
Include Ros Jervis, Service Director Public Health in the attendance list and amend the spelling of Cllr Jasbinder Dehars' name on page five.

4 **Matters arising**

There were no matters arising.

5 **Draft Budget 2016/17**

Alison Shannon, Head of Finance introduced the report. She provided the savings, redesign and income generation proposals for the Adults Cabinet Portfolio and advised that the purpose of the report was to seek Panel's feedback on each of the draft budget items.

Reshaping of Older People Services:

The Head of Finance advised that further details had been provided in the 'Better Care Technology and Strengthening Support at Home' report presented to Cabinet on 22 July and 11 November. Anthony Ivko, Service Director Older People, advised that Panel that the comments arising from this Scrutiny Panels in depth scrutiny of the issue on 14 July and 10 November as pre-decision scrutiny items had informed the Cabinet decisions on both occasions.

Cllr Paula Brookfield, Chair, acknowledged the inclusion of this Panels comments and the need to move forward with the savings proposal. She indicated that there was a need for the scrutiny process to monitor the implementation of the plans to reshape older people services to manage the expectations and the implementation. The Service Director advised that meetings were arranged to meet with everyone involved in the implementation plan and give advice about any pressures and address them.

The Panel were in agreement that Cabinet should be made aware that the Adult and Safer City Scrutiny Panel will maintain overview and scrutiny of the implementation of plans and progress of the reshaping of older people services.

Restructuring of the Library Service:

The Service Director advised that no detail of this saving proposal was available at this stage and that Cabinet had requested the library restructure saving to be revisited. In response to Cllr Patricia Patterns question the Service Director confirmed that the savings proposal will have to be realised this budget year and that the details would be reported to Cabinet later in the process.

Cllr Barry Findlay voiced concerns that the savings proposal would not be involved in proper scrutiny and highlighted the need for the revised savings proposal to come before this panel to afford the Panel opportunity to scrutinise this important decision.

The Chair indicated the importance of the decision and that Panel felt strongly and were in total agreement that the revised proposal should be subject to pre-decision scrutiny. She advised that the next meeting of the panel would be 26 January 2016 and suggested that if this was not timely that a special meeting should be arranged.

Move Warstones Office Base:

The Service Director provided a summary of the proposal. He advised that options have been explored for the use of the building but that a sustainable option had not been identified. He advised that the proposal is to relocate the Assessment and Care Management Team and to support the groups to relocate from Warstones to other local community venues. He advised that commissioners have met with user

groups and they are confident that other places can be found. He indicated that as a temporary measure a Community Health team would be based here while the joint office base was being developed as part of the Better Care Plan.

Cllr Patricia Patten referred to the Building Schools for the Future (BSF) Community Offer and asked if certain areas of the Highfields School would be used for community use. She indicated that schools that have transferred into Academies were not all fulfilling the 'Community Offer' and she asked that rather than checking just one school if all schools could be checked to ensure the Community Offer is being delivered. The Service Director confirmed he would follow up the question with the Director of Education.

Cllr Barry Findlay questioned the suitability of other facilities for what volunteer groups actually need and he sought assurance that the time social workers spend on each assessment would not be reduced as a direct result of this proposal. The Service Director advised that very few people were presenting at Warstones assessment centre and that the time spent actually assessing people should not be impaired. The Service Director agreed to take this issue away and give further consideration to it.

Cllr Bishan Dass questioned whether the number of Social Workers would be reduced as a result of the proposal. The Service Director confirmed that there were no plans to reduce the number of Social Workers, he clarified that a restructure of staff had taken place in 2014 and at that time job descriptions had been changed to be more generic. He advised that discussion in meetings with Unison every six weeks had been helpful during this transformation period.

Cllr Patricia Patten suggested that further details could be gathered once the changes occur by going back to the user groups and find out who was using the facilities. She requested feedback about user groups to make sure they are still meeting following the changes and that numbers are maintained to ensure older people are included and active.

Early Achievement of existing savings proposal – Learning Disabilities Assessment and Care Management Care Packages:

The Head of Finance advised the Panel that the savings will be achieved by moving the programme for care packages forward a year. The Service Director informed the Panel that there was confidence that this was achievable through a robust programme of review, increased use of assistive technology, promoting independence, increased value for money initiatives, and increased and targeted commissioning.

Cllr Rita Potter sought assurance that the quality of care would not be affected. Kathy Roper, Head of Commissioning All Age Disabilities, clarified that the savings would have effect on the assessment work as opposed to actual care of the individual.

Cllr Patricia Patten indicated that reviewing high costs would obviously mean moving people and that she was anxious to have reassurance that friendship groups would not be disrupted. The Head of Commissioning confirmed that this was being taken into account. She advised that high risk individuals were being looked at last and

where it was beneficial to move an individual closer to home first. She clarified that some individuals could not be moved at all but that all would be risk assessed on an individual basis to determine the best course of actions for each person.

Efficiency Saving from the relocation of the Independent Living Service:

The Service Director advised that the relocation of the Independent Living Service had realised savings of £29,000 in the budget due to the reduction in rent at the new premises at Racecourse Road Industrial estate.

Drawdown of one off grants for Adults Services:

The Service Director advised that the Head of Finance had identified unused grant funding to reduce net costs of the service for 2016/17 without impacting on service delivery.

Financial Transactions and Base Budget Revisions:

Further Review of Utilisation of Public Health Funding – Community Safety, Resilience, Healthier Schools.

Ros Jervis, Service Director Public Health and Well Being, advised that the revision of budget was a result of bringing together of all staffing and running costs of services into the public health work force.

2016/17 Budget Assumptions:

The Head of Finance advised of the assumptions set out in the paper. Cllr Patricia Patten asked if the assumptions would be added to totals of Government funding and was advised that the budget growth is from the corporate funds and that there were no assumptions received from Government. In response to a question from Cllr Bishan Dass the Service Director advised that the figures presented in the budget report may have to be revised following the Chancellors budget statement on 25 November 2015.

Resolved:

That the comments of the Panel be reported to Scrutiny Board 15 December 2015.

6 Outcome of consultation on the option to move Duke Street to supported living service

Kathy Roper, Head of Commissioning All Age Disability, provided a report to inform the Scrutiny Panel of progress on the work carried out with residents and their families of Duke Street residential care home.

The Head of Commissioning advised that the report set out the costed care options appraisal for Duke Street if it was to be de-registered as a residential care home and re-registered as a supported living service. She advised that the social landlord model was not a new concept, that it would provide a better quality of life in supported living and that it was important for the staffing to remain the same to ensure the residents remain settled in their homes.

She informed the Panel that TUPE arrangements for staff were being considered to ensure a level of consistency for residents and that a lot of time has been invested with families and carers to reduce anxiety about the level of service and care for their relatives.

There followed a discussion about the risks highlighted in the options outlined in the report relating to the Deprivation of Liberty Safeguard (Dols), Care Quality Commission (CQC) inspection and the revised cost model. The Service Director responded to the question 'what happens if the family does not agree with the Dols and there is a legal challenge?' He advised that the Dols does exactly what it says; there is a requirement on all people that work for the State to have proper authority; it does not take away autonomy; there is a right to restrict an individual to a living area; it is intended to protect the safety and security of the individual, but only to do the minimum. The Head of Commissioning advised that most residents in Duke Street do not have the ability to make their own decision and that staff bring together families, carers, social workers and any other appropriate person to discuss safeguarding the individual without deprivation of liberty.

In response to further questions the Head of Commissioning advised that because de-registering and re-registering is taking place the individual still has tenure of place. She clarified that even if the family objects on behalf of the individual if a best interest decision considers that Duke Street is the best place for an individual to live they will be able to stay there.

Cllr Lynne Moran asked what the difference would be in terms of finance between supported living and re-registered care home. The Head of Commissioning advised that the individual would be able to receive housing benefits, approximately £133 per week and a range of other benefits. She advised that this would not cover all costs and that the Council will have a duty of care for the individual.

Cllr Lynne Moran asked what the TUPE arrangements time period would be. The Head of Commissioning advised that it would be a twelve month period and that there would initially be a three month stand still period to determine if the employee wanted to move or not.

In response to a question from Cllr Paula Brookfield, Chair relating to the potential cost of a revamp at Duke Street the Head of Commissioning confirmed that the cost of revamp would not fall on the Council, but to the housing association.

Resolved:

1. That the Scrutiny Panel endorse the implementation of option 2, to de-register Duke Street bungalows as residential care and to change the registration to supported living with the potential of Wolverhampton Homes becoming landlord subject to further work and discussions taking place and the Council commissioning an alternative provider to deliver the care element. A period of TUPE would apply to this option.
2. That Scrutiny Panel note the indicative timelines to complete the work to move to a supported living service and maximise potential savings.

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26 January 2016

Report title	Progress on Joint Dementia Strategy for Wolverhampton 2015 – 2017	
Cabinet member with lead responsibility	Councillor Elias Mattu Cabinet Members for Adults	
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Report has been considered by	Adults and Community Scrutiny Panel	8 July 2014
	Health and Wellbeing Board	3 September 2014

Recommendation(s) for action or decision:

The Panel is recommended to:

1. Receive an update on the Joint Dementia Strategy for Wolverhampton 2015-17.

1.0 Purpose

- 1.1 This report provides an update on the progress made against the refreshed Joint Dementia Strategy for Wolverhampton 2015 - 17.

2.0 Background

- 2.1 Dementia is one of the biggest health and social care challenges of the present day and the number of people with dementia living in Wolverhampton is expected to grow by 45% over the next twenty years.
- 2.2 There are approximately 3,604 people with dementia living in the city, and this figure is set to grow by 45% over the next 20 years. Two thirds of people living with dementia live in the community, in their own homes and approximately one third live in nursing or residential care homes across the city.
- 2.3 The refreshed Joint Dementia Strategy for Wolverhampton is progressing at a time of increasing pressure on public spending, with local authorities facing severe cuts and the National Health Service expected to find significant efficiencies to meet increasing demand. The needs of a growing number of people with dementia are a high priority challenge for all public sector organisations.
- 2.4 Wolverhampton's health and social care economy is working in an integrated way to deliver the most efficient and effective response to the needs of people with dementia and their carers. It will recognize and protect early stage interventions and the contribution they make towards restoring and maintaining independence; reducing unnecessary hospital admissions; facilitating discharges back home and improving the quality of care for all.
- 2.5 One of the ways forward is the Better Care Fund which operates as a single multi-agency programme. This includes a Dementia Work-Stream where one of the priorities is to develop Wolverhampton's approach to the challenge of increasing numbers of people with dementia.
- 2.6 In line with the national proposals and the Better Care Fund agenda, it is clear that system wide transformational change is necessary and best delivered through integrated working across the health and social care economy. In relation to dementia, the Better Care Fund resources will be targeted on those areas that can achieve independent living with dementia as a real choice, shifting the emphasis away from acute and residential care to community and self-care.

2.7 The scope for this is included in the Better Care Fund workstream as part of a fully integrated service that focuses on achieving a localised and person centered approach. In order for this to happen, the Council has prioritised early intervention and timely diagnosis; to maintain and restore independent living at every opportunity.

3.0 Progress

3.1 The Joint Dementia Strategy for Wolverhampton has been updated with an integrated pathway approach that is inclusive of the following:

- To deliver a dementia aware community;
- To ensure people with dementia live well with a stable condition
- To ensure people with dementia live well with complex conditions
- To respond to changing needs
- To ensure good quality secondary care when needed
- To deliver good quality end of life support when needed

3.2 In October 2015 Commissioners and Quality Assurance Compliance completed an evaluation of community based services, delivered in partnership by the Alzheimer's Society for Dementia Cafes and Dementia Support Services. Feedback from service users, carers and families who attended the Dementia Cafes identified some of the benefits of the Cafes as follows:

- Dementia Cafes have made a positive difference to well-being and improve the lives of people with dementia and their families and carers
- Dementia Cafes offer increased social opportunities and these opportunities are highly valued
- Dementia Cafes offer an opportunity to share experiences with peers and learn from these experiences, which is very important

3.3 In addition to the six Dementia Cafes, the contract also includes the Dementia Support Workers responding to families who require support, information and advice on all aspects of living with dementia or caring for someone with dementia, through a case management approach. This composite role is recognised as an effective way to support families as well as sign posting on to the dementia cafes for further peer support and on-going information. The Dementia Support Workers seek to empower carers and people with dementia to solve problems early, avoid crisis and live as independently as possible.

3.4 The evaluation concluded that these community based services are highly valued by people with dementia and their carers. The impact of not having these services can result in unnecessary admission to hospital; a delay in discharge from hospital or an admission to a care home. Work is now underway to re-commission these services with new contracts being issued by 1 April 2016.

- 3.5 The following statements outline responses received from those who have accessed direct services from Dementia Cafes or Dementia Support Workers:
- *“Cafes helped to improve my confidence after the shock of dementia diagnosis”*
 - *“Being able to come somewhere with mum where I don’t have to worry what people are thinking about her behaviour, because they understand”*
 - *“It’s fantastic. I would have been lost especially on my low times”*
 - *“It took away the fear from a horrible diagnosis”*
 - *“My mum would have been a recluse”*
 - *“Coming to a café is also an opportunity to socialise with other people who are in the same situation”*
 - *“I don’t know what I would have done without the cafes”*
 - *“The best thing about the café is the socialisation”*
- 3.6 In partnership with many local stakeholders such as the University, major retailers, major banks and colleagues from other organisations, the Council has developed a local Dementia Action Alliance (DAA). DAA aims to encourage and support local communities and organisations to bring about a society wide response and practical actions to enable people to live well with dementia.
- 3.7 Engaging people diagnosed with dementia and their carers will be a continuous process in all areas of development. People diagnosed with dementia and their carers will also form part of the Local Dementia Action Alliance.
- 3.8 The Dementia Friendly Communities programme commenced late 2013 included the development of Dementia Friends in towns and cities. The Council commissioned the Alzheimer’s Society to create Dementia Friends and the number grew from 1,435 in October 2014 to 4,876 in October 2015. These figures include people who completed the on-line training from the Alzheimer’s Society. We will continue to promote the training to increase the number of Dementia Friends in the next twelve months across partners, stakeholders and the Dementia Action Alliance.
- 3.9 Over a third of people with dementia are living in care homes and people with dementia represent two thirds of the care home population. All care home staff members should have an ongoing dementia awareness training programme and homes should have nominated dementia champions. Commissioners will build on the development of Dementia Champions and Leaders across care setting and re-launch dementia care champions into all care homes.
- 3.10 In partnership, Wolverhampton City Council and the University of Wolverhampton have obtained Grant Funding to develop a pilot project using Near Field Communication (NFC) smartphone technology to increase awareness of dementia. The “Smart Posters” project has been supported at all stages by services users and other experts in dementia care. The outcomes will be subject to independent evaluation, resulting in a report on the project findings together with a recommendation of future applications. The project is targeted towards people of all ages within the community and the workforce who may be involved in providing universal services. It is planned that the Smart Posters will be

launched within the City with partners from the DAA, local community and local businesses.

4.0 Financial implications

- 4.1 There are no direct financial implications as a result of this report. Any future actions arising from the strategy will have to be funded from existing budgets.

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5.0 Legal implications

- 5.1 There are no legal implications associated at this stage within the report.

[RB/14012016/V]

6.0 Equalities implications

- 6.1 The provider is required to submit regular information in relation to the protected characteristics protected under the Equality Act .
- 6.2 The Care Act 2014 will benefit people with dementia and their carer's, giving them more choice and control over their care, better information and better quality care.

7.0 Environmental implications

- 7.1 There are no environmental implications arising from this report.

8.0 Human resources implications

- 8.1 There are no Human resource implications arising from this report.

9.0 Corporate landlord implications

- 9.1 There are no corporate landlord implications arising from this report.

10.0 Schedule of background papers

- 10.1 The Joint Dementia Strategy has previously been considered by Adult and Community Scrutiny Panel on 8 July 2014 and Health and Wellbeing Board 3 September 2014.

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26 January 2016

Report title	Update on Wolverhampton's Local Police and Crime Plan 2015/16 – April 2015 to December 2015
Originating service	West Midlands Police Wolverhampton Local Policing Unit
Accountable employee(s)	Chief Inspector Tracey Packham

Recommendation(s) for action or decision:

The Panel is recommended to:

1. Consider the West Midlands Police update attached relating to the Wolverhampton's Local Police and Crime Plan for the first three quarters of the performance year from April – December 2015.

Update on Wolverhampton's Local Police and Crime Plan 2015/16 – April 2015 to December 2015

1.0 Background

1.1 The Wolverhampton Police and Crime Plan focuses on the following three main objectives:

- Reduce Crime
- Reduce harm and vulnerability
- Understanding and responding to community concerns

2.0 Reduce crime

2.1 We will strive to have our lowest ever crime levels, reducing total recorded crime. We will reduce burglaries, robberies and violence with injury in a public place. We will reduce business crime and strengthen our relationships with business. With partners we will tackle the locations and people that contribute the highest crime levels and achieve continued low rates of reoffending.

3.0 Reduce harm and vulnerability

3.1 Whilst all crime and anti-social behaviour causes harm, there are those 'hidden crimes' such as domestic abuse, sexual assault and exploitation and hate crime, which cause significant harm to individuals. With this in mind, we will work with partners to encourage the reporting of crimes from those vulnerable victims.

4.0 Understanding and responding to community concerns

4.1 Listening to what people of Wolverhampton want and need is important to us but equally important is that we respond and deliver a service that the community expects and deserves. We will improve confidence in policing by improving satisfaction with our service both in dealing with crime and anti-social behaviour and reduce the number of police conduct complaints.

4.2 This report provides an update on Wolverhampton's Local Police and Crime Plan for the first three quarters of the performance year from April – December 2015.

5.0 Reducing Crime

5.1 The diagram at 1.1 highlights the progress made to reduce crime levels year to date.

5.1.1 Total recorded crime has reduced from 12,820 offences in 2014/15 to 12,782 offences in 2015/16 which equates to 38 fewer victims.

5.1.2 Burglary Dwellings has reduced from 787 offences in 2014/15 to 686 offences in 2015/16 which equates to 101 fewer victims.

5.1.3 Robbery offences has reduced from 334 offences in 2014/15 to 251 offences in 2015/16 which equates to 83 fewer victims

5.2 The number of knife crime offences has seen an increase from 101 offences in 2014/15 to 122 offences in 2015/16 equating to an additional 21 offences year to date, whilst gun related offending has reduced from 28 offences in 2014/15 to 22 offences in 2015/16.

6.0 Priority Area Update

6.1 Crime and ASB levels have shown a continual decline across Priority Areas. Current year to date performance¹ is as follows:

Figure 1.2

Priority Area	Total Recorded Crime	Anti-social Behaviour
All Saints and Blakenhall	-20.6% (121 fewer offences)	-48.6% (109 fewer incidents)
Heath Town and Park Village	+15.5% (52 more offences)	-44.2% (104 fewer incidents)
Low Hill and Scotlands	-5.4% (32 fewer offences)	-6.6% (16 fewer incidents)
Pennfields	-15.1% (39 fewer offences)	-2.4% (3 fewer incidents)
Whitmore Reans	-1.0% (4 fewer offences)	-29.8% (77 fewer incidents)
City Centre	-9.6% (163 fewer offences)	-21.1% (103 fewer incidents)

6.2 Summary of recent activity

6.2.1 Priority Areas continue to focus as a key area of business for partners and is governed through the city level partnership tasking meeting. Crime and ASB have shown a continual decline across priority areas with the exception of Heath Town and Park Village

¹ As at 12/01/16 (Performance Portal)

which has seen a slight increase in crime levels.

7.0 Reduce Harm and Vulnerability

- 7.1 We continue to see an increase in reporting by Domestic Abuse victims from 4,034 offences in 2014/15 to 4,306 offences in 2015/16. Whilst the number of Domestic Abuse offences is high, the increase in reporting is seen as a positive indicator that more victims are willing to come forward and report this type of crime. The numbers also include Domestic Abuse 'non-crimes' where police officers attend reports of domestic incidents where no recordable crimes have taken place but further work is required, often with support from partners, to ensure the victim is adequately safeguarded.
- 7.2 There has also been a rise in the number of serious sexual reports from 264 offences in 2014/15 to 349 offences in 2015/16 representing increased confidence of victims to report this type of offence. To date, 30 per cent of these types of crime result in a criminal justice outcome.
- 7.3 There continues to be a small number of Forced Marriage crimes reported with just 2 offences recorded this year to date. The number of so called Honour Based Violence crimes, whilst relatively small, has seen an increase from 7 offences in 2014/15 to 20 offences in 2015/16. Similarly to last year, there have been no reports of Female Genital Mutilation.
- 7.4 Hate crime offences have remained consistent with 240 offences reported in 2014/15 compared to 238 offences reported for the same period in 2015/16.
- 7.5 We continue to build on our knowledge gained under Sentinel to improve the service we provide with partners to victims in Wolverhampton who feel vulnerable, especially due to:
- a lack of confidence to engage with statutory agencies, meaning they remain hidden and/or silent;
 - their cultural beliefs and behaviours; or
 - fear for their safety.
- 7.6 Our specific focus will be around incidents of child abuse, child sexual exploitation, domestic abuse and modern day slavery areas of business that have already merged into '**business as usual**' and, supported by the WM Crime Commissioner who remains committed to increasing reporting of hidden crime during this financial year².

² WMP PCC Deliverables 2015-16

8.0 Understanding and responding to community concerns

- 8.1 Through our Neighbourhood Teams we continue to engage with communities via PACT meetings at a local level to understand and listen to their concerns. Priorities are identified for each neighbourhood and include local issues of concern such as speeding and inconsiderate driving, prostitution, drugs as well as anti-social behaviour. We continue to work with communities to address such concerns undertaking community speedwatch, working with schools to address inconsiderate parking and focussing patrols in the areas of most concern.
- 8.2 Following the success with partners in securing a Black Country High Court injunction to prevent car cruising across the region, we continue to undertake enforcement activity to ensure the injunction is effective and have recently seen successful prosecutions by Wolverhampton Legal Services against individuals who have breached the injunction.
- 8.3 We continue to hold ourselves accountable to the community around our use of stop and search and attend bi-monthly stop and search scrutiny panels. We regularly provide detailed information about the number of searches broken down by ethnicity and geography to enable the community scrutiny panel to ask relevant questions on our performance in this area. These are open to the public to attend and the minutes and dates for such meetings are publicised on the website of the Office for Police and Crime Commissioner.
- 8.4 We have worked closely with Wolverhampton Homes and Wolverhampton City Council utilising powers under the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 to secure two Public Space Protection Orders intended to deal with a specific nuisance or problem in a particular area that negatively affects a community's daily life. They impose conditions on the use of the area that apply to everyone and have been utilised in two areas of the city that have suffered long term anti-social behaviour problems which has blighted the lives of local residents. We are currently monitoring the impact of this new legislative power to determine its effectiveness before considering further use of it on other areas.

Chief inspector Tracey Packham

Wolverhampton Local Policing Unit