LGA Special Interest Group Annual Report to LGA Leadership Board

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Aim

The National Association of Police and Crime Panels (NAPCP) is a body that supports Police and Crime Panels (PCP) in England and Wales and aims to be nationally recognised as representing and promoting their views and best interests and so influence change for the better.

The following are the agreed NAPFCP terms of reference confirmed at the annual meeting of members in November 2018.

- To provide a forum for collaborative discussion of issues relating to and impacting on Police and Crime Panels and Police, Fire and Crime Panels (PCPs / PFCPs)
- To share ideas and experience in response to the expanding role of PCCs and PFCCCs and thereby PCPs / PFCPs
- To create a mechanism for direct liaison between PCPs / PFCPs and the Home Office
- To provide an opportunity for dialogue with relevant bodies such as the Association of Police and Crime Commissioners, Association of Police and Crime Chief Executives and others
- To support the development of joint PCP /PFCP responses to relevant consultations
- To promote professional standards
- To share good practice and create guidance and other supporting materials for PCPs /PFCPs
- To ensure stability and collective memory in a landscape where PCPs / PFCPs can have significant changes in membership
- To provide capacity for horizon scanning across all PCPs / PFCPs.
- To promote better public understanding of the role of PCPs / PFCPs

Key Activities / Outcomes of work undertaken

**Activity / Outcome** – Establishment of Executive Committee of the Association / progression of the management / governance functions of the Association that do not require the input of the wider group. The Executive will shortly meet to agree a training provider, with the intention of establishing a development programme for the wider membership.

The executive committee comprises representatives from 10 differing member panels with representation from at least one panel that has fire as well as police governance.

Production and agreement of key process documents including a constitution, financial process, expense claim form etc.
**Activity / Outcome**
Establish liaison with additional key partners including the Home Office, and Chairman/CEO of the Association of Crime Commissioners and National Police Chief Council

**Activity / Outcome**
Engagement with the LGA, CFPS and Frontline Consulting in providing input to the revised Guidance for Police & Crime Panels

**Activity / Outcome**
Production and delivery of sector related articles for inclusion in the Policing Insight magazine and responding to feedback from readership.

**Activity / Outcome** – Development of the National Association’s website / a developer and hosting service has been identified and this work is underway. The website will be used to promote the role and work of the Association, and to support increased membership.

It is fair to say that, despite the concerted efforts of the Chairman and the Executive group, the Association is still finding it’s feet in terms of defining it’s role and how this may best be progressed. Work to take this forward is underway, and the support required to the Association in order to do so is also being considered.