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Dear Mr Jones

**Re: Delivery of the Police and Crime Plan and a refresh of the Police and Crime Plan 2021-2025.**

On behalf of the Lincolnshire Police and Crime Panel I would like to thank you and your colleagues for your attendance at the Panel Meeting on 22nd September 2023 to present your draft Police and Crime Plan 2021-25. In accordance with section 28 (3) of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011, I write to report on the Panel's feedback on the Plan. At the meeting, the Panel asked you a range of strategic questions relating to:

- Community Safety Bid;
- Your effective engagement with levels of Councils across Lincolnshire;
- Cuts to PCSO numbers, particularly in rural communities across Lincolnshire following concerns expressed by residents on Anti-Social Behaviour problems;
- The cost of a PCSO against a warranted officer during their first 5 years of service;
- Council Tax concessions agreed by some Lincolnshire Councils to Special Constables in recognition to their much valued, but totally unpaid service and the current number of Special Constables in Lincolnshire. This included a further discussion on the concept of inviting District Councils to assist with the training costs of voluntary PCSOs resident in their areas and consideration of the inclusion of a Council Tax concession to encourage their recruitment;


- Adoption of practices to assist town centre businesses under pressure from shoplifting, any known links to organised crime and development of preventative measures with businesses;
- Following the recent visit of members of the travelling community to Boston and the great distress caused, what amendments would you make to your plan, to ensure protection of residents by Lincolnshire Police including the confirmation of this as an operational area and that all district councils understand the processes;

Further to this questioning the Panel requested the provision of the following information:

- Provision of a ball-park figure (approximate) cost on the comparison on the cost of a PCSO against a warranted officer on their first 5 years of service;
- An assurance that as an operational matter, District Councils are aware of the need for consistency in managing unauthorised traveller sites in promoting good relations with the settled community.

In summary the Panel is satisfied that the Refreshed Police and Crime Plan 2021-25 meets the legislative requirements and is reflective of the needs of Lincolnshire. The Panel looks forward to receiving your response and update to its next meeting on 17 November 2023.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "C. J. Cook." The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'C' and a smaller 'J'.

Christopher Cook - Chairman - Lincolnshire Police and Crime Panel.