



THE POLICE & CRIME PLAN FOR WEST MERCIA 1 April 2013 – 31 March 2017

Summary Document

'Forward Together'


One of my first tasks since taking up office as West Mercia's Police and Crime Commissioner has been to develop a Police and Crime Plan for the period 1 April 2013 - 31 March 2017. The Plan is a formal legal document which serves to steer the Chief Constable in the priorities West Mercia Police should deliver. It also sets out my approach to working with other partnership bodies such as Community Safety Partnerships and my aspirations for working with the Criminal Justice Bodies.

The Plan has been prepared in the light of the best available financial information but the plan and the objectives it contains will always remain open for revision in the light of future financial changes. I am anxious to preserve so far as resources allow, the visibility and availability of front line police services. To this end I am proposing to adopt a policy of reassurance to police officers that so far as possible during my period of office police constables will not be subject to enforced retirement, that Police Community Support Officers (PCSOs) will not be made redundant and the numbers of specials will be increased.

This summary document briefly outlines my vision, strategic aims and objectives. A full copy of the draft plan is available to view on my website www.westmercia-pcc.gov.uk. The draft plan contains much more detail on my aims and objectives as well as success measures and how I intend to contribute to achieve them (my role).



I would very much welcome your views on my draft police and crime plan. Comments may be submitted either by email to: opcc@westmercia-pcc.gov.uk or in writing to OPCC West Mercia, PO Box 487, Shrewsbury SY2 6WB or via my website www.westmercia-pcc.gov.uk.



Bill Longmore
Police and Crime Commissioner

My Vision

‘A new community spirit with people working together to improve society and prevent crime and disorder in partnership’

AIM: To Ensure an Efficient and Effective Police Service

Objective 1: To ensure value for money and continuous service improvement through the implementation of the alliance with Warwickshire Police

Objective 2: To provide an effective neighbourhood policing model, with a focus on areas of greatest need

AIM: To Reduce Crime and Disorder

Objective 3: To reduce the volume of violent crime with an emphasis on addressing the harm caused by alcohol through partnership working

Objective 4: To reduce the harm caused by drugs with a focus on treatment, and targeting those that cause the most harm

Objective 5: To reduce the volume of anti social behaviour incidents

Objective 6: To bring offenders to account and reduce re-offending

Objective 7: To develop and implement a business crime strategy

Objective 8: To develop a strategy to empower local communities to actively engage in preventing crime and disorder

AIM: To Protect Communities from Harm

Objective 9: To work in partnership to protect the most vulnerable people in our society

Objective 10: To deliver a supportive and effective response to victims and witnesses

Objective 11: To work with the Safer Roads Partnership to reduce the number of casualties on our roads

Objective 12: To meet the requirements of the Strategic Policing Requirement

AIM: To Provide a Strong and Powerful Voice for the People and Victims of Crime

Objective 13: To develop and implement a public engagement strategy

A copy of the full draft Police and Crime Plan is available on my website www.westmercia-pcc.gov.uk. If you do not have access to the internet and would like a copy of the draft plan please ring 01743 264690.