

Subject: Police and Crime Committee Work Programme

Report to: Police and Crime Committee

Report of: Executive Director of Secretariat

Date: 25 February 2016

This report will be considered in public

1. Summary

1.1 This report sets out the work programme for the Police and Crime Committee.

2. Recommendations

2.1 That the Committee notes its work programme, as set out in this report.

2.2 That authority be delegated to the Chair, in consultation with the party Group Lead Members, to agree:

- The Committee's report arising from its scrutiny review of the Impact of Alcohol on Policing London's Night-Time Economy; and
- Any output arising from the Committee's discussion of crime and anti-social behaviour on London's roads.

3. Background

3.1 The Committee's work programme is intended to enable the Committee to effectively fulfil its roles of holding the Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime (MOPAC) to account and investigating issues of importance to policing and crime reduction in London. The Committee's work involves a range of activities, including formal meetings with MOPAC, the Metropolitan Police Service (MPS) and other stakeholders, site visits, written consultations and round table meetings.

3.2 The Committee usually meets twice a month. One of the monthly meetings is usually used to hold a question and answer session with the Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime. The Commissioner of the MPS has been invited to these meetings. The Committee will primarily use question and answer (Q&A) meetings to investigate topical issues and review MPS performance, including consideration of MOPAC's approach to holding the MPS to account.

- 3.3 The Committee's other monthly meeting is used to consider a particular topic or aspect of policing and crime in greater detail. These investigations will be conducted either by the full Committee or working groups. Working groups will have delegated authority to prepare reports on the Committee's behalf in consultation with party Group Lead Members. Final reports will be approved and published by the full Committee. Where possible, working groups will make use of the dates scheduled for the Committee's 'thematic' meetings.

4. Issues for Consideration

- 4.1 The work programme has been designed to proactively examine issues of interest but also allows for flexibility to respond to topical issues and for the Committee to react to MOPAC's work programme. Topics will be added to the timetable for Q&A meetings as they arise. The Committee's work programme for the remainder of this municipal year is outlined below. The Committee will begin a new work programme in May 2016 following the re-establishment of the Committee at the Annual Meeting of the Assembly on 13 May 2016.

March	Thursday 3 March 2016 Thematic meeting – victims and vulnerability	Thursday 17 March 2016 Q&A meeting
April	No meetings	

Current investigations

- 4.2 The Committee will use its thematic meeting in March to consider victims and vulnerability. It will use this meeting to follow-up on the work the Committee has previously undertaken on rape case handling; mental health; and child sexual exploitation. It will consider how the Mayor, in his capacity as occupant of the Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime (MOPAC), is working with key partners to prevent these issues and review progress made.
- 4.3 The Committee used its thematic meeting slots on 3 December 2015 and 14 January 2016 to undertake an investigation into the Impact of Alcohol on London's Night-Time Economy. The Committee discussed with invited guests the levels of alcohol fuelled crime and anti-social behaviour in London, and the demand it places on policing. It also discussed how the provisions in the Licensing Act 2003 are being applied across London, and what role the Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime (MOPAC) has in helping to tackle alcohol fuelled crime. The Committee will produce a report arising from its scrutiny investigation and it is recommended that the Committee delegates authority, in consultation with the party Group Lead Members, to agree the Committee's report arising from the scrutiny investigation.
- 4.4 The Committee used its thematic slot on the 11 February 2016 for a discussion with invited guests from the Metropolitan Police Service, Transport for London, RoadPeace and the London Cycling Campaign for a discussion on crime and anti-social behavior on London's roads. It is recommended that the Committee delegates authority, in consultation with the party Group Lead Members, to agree any output arising from the discussion.

5. Legal Implications

5.1 The Committee has the power to do what is recommended in this report.

6. Financial Implications

6.1 There are no financial implications arising from this report.

List of appendices to this report: None

Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985
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List of Background Papers: None.

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