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Dear Brian,

POLICE AND CRIME PLAN 2016-21

I refer to your letter dated 7 December 2016 in relation to the Police & Crime Plan 2016-21 which I presented to the Cheshire Police and Crime Panel at the meeting held on 18 November 2016.

I have noted that the Panel has agreed to support the draft plan and requested a recommendation is taken into account. In line with s5(6) of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 I have considered the Panel's recommendation and I have detailed my response below.

Recommendation: That the draft Police and Crime Plan be noted and that the Police and Crime Commissioner be requested to include a suite of performance measures to support the delivery of the Plan, in order to measure performance in the future.

The development of key performance measures to support the Plan will be crucial in enabling me to hold the Chief Constable to account for the delivery of the plan and to measure its success. As discussed with the Panel at our informal meeting in November, I am working with the Chief Constable to develop the measures and they will be made publicly available through my website. I will also hold the Chief Constable to account for performance against the measures at regular Scrutiny Board meetings which are open to the public to attend. This will ensure a high level of transparency and allow Cheshire residents to assess the performance of policing in the county.

I do not intend to detail fixed performance measures within the Plan as the intention will be for the measures to be flexible and enable me to monitor emerging trends. The measures will be my basis for holding the Chief Constable to account and may not necessarily be the same means the Panel wishes to use to scrutinise my work as Commissioner.

I am of course happy to work with the Panel to support them in developing the measures they wish to use.

I look forward to the Panel's support as I implement the Police & Crime Plan and hope we can work together to deliver even safer communities for the whole of Cheshire.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Keane', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

David Keane
Police & Crime Commissioner