



# COTSWOLD DISTRICT COUNCIL

Council name	<b>COTSWOLD DISTRICT COUNCIL</b>
Name and date of Committee	<b>OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – 1 DECEMBER 2020</b>
Report Number	<b>AGENDA ITEM 12</b>
Subject	<b>TERMS OF REFERENCE – CRIME AND DISORDER COMMITTEE</b>
Wards affected	ALL
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Summary/Purpose	The Council's Constitution, Article 7 for Overview and Scrutiny Committee states that the Committee has all the powers and functions, powers and duties conferred by Section 19 of the Police and Justice Act 2006 and to act as the Council's Crime and Disorder Committee.
Annexes	Annex A – Draft Terms of Reference Annex B – Proposed amendment to the Council's Constitution Annex C - Cotswold Community Safety Partnership Action Plan 2019-2021.
Recommendation/s	To approve the terms of reference for the Crime and Disorder Committee and recommend them to Council for adoption.
Corporate priorities	Encourage resilient, well-connected and active communities that take responsibility for their own health and wellbeing goals.
Key Decision	NO
Exempt	NO
Consultees/ Consultation	Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Committee Senior Management Team

## **1. BACKGROUND**

A briefing note, attached as Annex B to this report, was presented to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 28 July 2020. This provided an overview of the Council's responsibilities for Crime and Disorder and outlined the main activities of the Community Safety Partnership, in relation to the discharge of the authority's duties on Crime and Disorder.

The Committee has powers, functions and duties conferred by Section 19 of the Police and Justice Act 2006 to act as the Council's Crime and Disorder Committee.

Attached as Annex A to this report are the proposed terms of reference for the Committee's Crime and Disorder Committee.

## **2. MAIN POINTS**

- 2.1** The Council's Corporate Plan, adopted at Council, on 23 September 2020, sets out the action in relation to Community Safety and reducing the fear of crime; 'Continue to raise the profile of the Community Safety Partnership to reduce the fear of crime and ensure residents know how, and where, to get support'.
- 2.2** Section 19 of the Police and Justice Act 2006 sets out the powers and duties for the Committee to act as the Council's Crime and Disorder Committee.
- 2.3** It is proposed that an annual report be presented to the Crime and Disorder Committee, on the performance of the Cotswold Community Safety Partnership together with the Action Plan be presented at the Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting in June 2021, to support the role and decision making of the Crime and Disorder Committee.

## **3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 3.1.** This report has no financial implications.

## **4. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 4.1.** Save that the report has no legal implications.

## **5. RISK ASSESSMENT**

- 5.1.** There are no key risks expected to arise from this item.

## **6. EQUALITIES IMPACT (IF REQUIRED)**

- 6.1.** Not required.

## **7. CLIMATE CHANGE IMPLICATIONS (IF REQUIRED)**

- 7.1.** No implications arise from this report.

## **8. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS**

- 8.1.** None

## **9. BACKGROUND PAPERS**

- 9.1.** None