

Report of the Director of Neighbourhood Services

Consultation response to the Home Office green paper on the future of Policing

Summary

1. To approve a response to the Government Green paper “From the neighbourhood to the national: policing our communities together”.

Background

2. In July 2008, the government released a green paper on policing and is currently consulting on the proposals within it. The green paper can be found on line at: http://files.homeoffice.gov.uk/police/policing_green_paper.pdf. The consultation process is being conducted in accordance with the Government’s code of practice on consultation, and responses are required by Friday 10th October.

Consultation

3. City of York Councillor representatives were invited by the North Yorkshire Police Authority to a meeting on proposed responses to the green paper at Northallerton on Thursday 25th September. The chair of the North Yorkshire Police Authority (NYPA) subsequently attended a Leaders and York NYPA members meeting in York on 29th September to seek the views of the City of York Council. The proposed response to the green paper is a consensus view of the members at that meeting, and is attached at Annex One. If approved, the response would be incorporated into a letter from the Leader of the Council on behalf of the City of York, and forwarded electronically.

Options

4. Members can approve, amend, or reject the proposed consultation response at Annex One.

Analysis

5. Not relevant.

Corporate Priorities

6. The response supports the 2007-11 City of York Council corporate priority to *“Reduce the actual and perceived impact of violent, aggressive and nuisance behaviour on people in York”*.

Implications

- **Financial:** There are no financial implications.
- **Human Resources (HR):** There are no HR implications.
- **Equalities:** There are no equalities implications.
- **Legal:** There are no legal implications.
- **Crime and Disorder:** This is a response to the green paper.
- **Information Technology (IT)** There are no IT implications.
- **Property** There are no property implications.
- **Other:** There are no other implications.

Risk Management

7. There are no risks associated with this report.

Recommendations

8. Members are asked to consider the response attached at Annex One.

Reason: To respond to the Government green paper within the relevant timescale.

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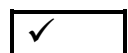
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Specialist Implications Officer(s): None

Wards Affected: All



For further information please contact the author of the report

Background Papers:

Government green paper: “ From the neighbourhood to the national: policing our communities together

Annexes

Annex One: Proposed response to the Green paper