
Council

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Bryn Roberts Director of Governance and Monitoring Officer

Annual Report of the Police, Fire and Crime Panel 2025/26

Summary

1. The Annual Report of the Police, Fire and Crime Panel 2025/26 is attached for information.

Recommendations

2. Full Council is asked to note the content of the Police Fire and Crime Panel 2025/2026 report.

Background

3. Police and Crime Panels were established in England and Wales in 2012 to provide a check and balance function in relation to the performance of Police and Crime Commissioners, who also came into being at that time. Panels have a wide remit to review or scrutinise decisions made, or other actions taken, by the Commissioner in connection with the discharge of the Commissioner's functions. Panels have oversight of some of the Commissioner's key documents, decisions and reports, requiring them to provide information and answer any questions which the Panel considers necessary.
4. With the advent of devolution in York and North Yorkshire in 2024, the policing, fire and crime responsibilities of the area's Commissioner transferred to the Mayor, David Skaith, on 7 May 2024. The Mayor is legally able to delegate policing and crime functions to a Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime and, in this area, this delegation extended to the fire and rescue authority functions which passed to the Mayor. A Deputy Mayor for Policing, Fire and Crime – Jo Coles - commenced in post on 8 July 2024.

5. Formal Panel meetings are held in person and generally rotate venue between Northallerton, York and Selby. The Panel convened in person and in public on five occasions to undertake Panel business in the last municipal year.
6. The Panel reviewed a number of items over the course of the 2025/26 municipal year details, along with details of training, budget and upcoming items are included in the report.

Consultation

7. The Annual Report was considered by the North Yorkshire Police, Fire and Crime Panel at its meeting on 23 April 2026.

Options

8. Members of Council are asked to note the contents of the report.

Implications

9. There are no implications arising from this report.

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Wards affected: All

Background papers: None

Annexes: Police, Fire and Crime Panel Annual Report