

Committee(s): Police Authority Board	Dated: 30 June 2022
Subject: Commissioner's Update- June 2022	Public
Which outcomes in the City Corporation's Corporate Plan does this proposal aim to impact directly?	1- People are safe and feel safe
Does this proposal require extra revenue and/or capital spending?	N/A
If so, how much?	N/A
What is the source of Funding?	N/A
Has this Funding Source been agreed with the Chamberlain's Department?	N/A
Report of: Commissioner of Police Pol 45-22	For Information
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Summary

At the April Police Authority Board, it was agreed that the Commissioner's verbal updates would now be presented to the Board as formal written updates.

The *public* updates for the Commissioner of Police, the Assistant Commissioner Operations and Security and Assistant Commissioner Economic and Cyber Crime are attached.

These give highlights of activity since the last update to your May Board

Recommendation(s)

Members are asked to note the report.

Appendices

- Appendix – Commissioner's and Assistant Commissioners Public Updates



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Police Authority Board – Commissioner’s Update –

Public Update – Operations and Security

Queens Platinum Jubilee Policing Operation

- Friday 3rd June saw Her Majesty the Queen’s Thanksgiving service at St Paul Cathedral. Many dignitaries were in attendance and the joint operation between the MPS and CoLP under Operation Benbow arrangements, was successful. The subsequent reception at the Guildhall also proceeded to plan. A great display of collaboration and a moment in history for all. The Commissioner has messaged all Officers and Staff thanking them for their support for this event, and a special thanks go to Chief Superintendent Dai Evans who led as CoLP Gold Commander.

CT-

- The UK Threat level remains at SUBSTANTIAL (means an attack is likely)

Local Policing Task Force-

- As above a large focus on the Jubilee and dedication of a number of specialist resources.
- On Wednesday 7th June Op Niven commenced in response to phone snatches, so far, the operation has seen a reduction in phone snatch occurrences in the City of 50%

Sector Policing –

- Operation Rocotto a high visibility and engagement event held in collaboration with the City Security Council provided crime prevention advice and support to City workers. Officers linked up with Security Professionals to conduct reassurance patrols. Plans are underway to increase the influence of this Operation.

Professionalism & Trust-

- The National Police Chief’s Council (NPCC), and College of Policing, published the national Police Race Action Plan. The plan sets out commitments and actions which will work to build trust and confidence amongst our Black Officers and Staff, and within our Black communities. We are already designing an internal Race Action Plan which consolidates recommendations from several internal reports and surveys, thereby ensuring that the Action Plan remains relevant to our workforce. A performance benchmarking exercise has been completed to provide us with a baseline to track our continuous improvement.

Notable Work

- Officers from the Proactive Crime Team (PCT) were recently on patrol in Watling Street when they recognised a suspect wanted in connection with thefts in the City. The suspect was arrested on suspicion of numerous thefts from licensed and on suspicion of conspiracy to steal. The PCT worked through the night to progress the investigation. This resulted in the suspect being charged with eight counts of theft from licensed premises and possession of cannabis. He was remanded into custody until 17th July.
- The latest Operation Reframe was a success with 40 checks conducted on Licensed Premises and 5 arrests including one arrested on suspicion of administering a substance with intent following the great work of the Reframe team helping a vulnerable female they suspected to be the victim of a spiking incident. Through investigative work with the female’s friends the Reframe team tracked a possible suspect at a local venue and arrested them, the suspect was interviewed and released under investigation.
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Public Update – National Lead Force

National Co-Ordinator's office

- AC O'Doherty attended the House of Lords Committee as part of the Fraud Act Inquiry. This was alongside the National Crime Agency (NCA) and the PCC lead on Fraud. The Committee covered several areas including Action Fraud, National Policing, victim care and private sector working. The Committee went well, and the Members were happy with the answers given and information supplied.
- Four PECTS (Regional Proactive Economic Crime Teams) are now in place and two more in early stage of recruitment.
- 26 of 43 force engagement visits are now complete and an interim best practice report has gone to all participating forces.

DCPCU (Dedicated Card and Payment Crime Unit)

- The PROTECT team opened a conference for the annual counter fraud and forensic accounting conference in Portsmouth to a large audience of counter fraud professionals.

IFED (Insurance Fraud Enforcement Dept)

- IFED presented to an international audience of special investigation units in Sweden regarding case studies of insurance fraud investigations and joint working with the private sector.

PIPCU (Police Intellectual Property Crime Unit)

- Operation Phenom involves joint working with Border Force and will give innovative solutions and new ways to intercept fake goods before hitting the UK market and give new PURSUE opportunities against importers.

ACTION FRAUD

- There is now vetting prioritisation for Acton Fraud staff/recruits to make sure vacancies do not affect the front-end support of victim's, and we have 85 full time employee's in place as contact handlers.

LFOR (Lead Force Operations Room)

- Launch of Crimestoppers campaign to educate the public around romance and courier fraud which also provides an anonymous reporting platform for intelligence (without undermining Action Fraud as a crime reporting tool).
- First Crown Court conviction by a PECT investigation (Eastern Region), male sentenced 8 years for a serious investment fraud.

NLF Teams (National Lead Force)

- Sentencing for Operation Rasalhague, £4million fraud repeat victim. Subject arrested at airport and now sentenced for two years. This victim had seen their case closed by other forces and the NLF team used covert and innovative policing techniques to get a result.

ECVCU (Economic Crime Victim Care Unit)

- Workshops with staff have been held regarding the planned national expansion to another 37 forces. This will help a plan be put together for recruitment that will be needed of the expansion.

NFIB (National Fraud Intelligence Bureau)

- A new domestic abuse risk assessment is now in place so that every cyber-crime reported is reviewed for Domestic Abuse risks and appropriate action taken where required.
- The enhanced cyber reporting service is now live, the performance framework to demonstrate return on investment, this should be producing data by Q2.

Notable Work/Media

- Good news coverage of the Police Intellectual Property Crime (PIPCU) conviction for two males who sold fake Bio-Oil skin products, targeted at pregnant women.
- National coverage of two charges against teenagers who were members of a criminal hacking group. Each male has three charges of hacking made out against them.
- DCPCU – Operation Lorus – Bank insider selling access to over 1000 victim bank accounts sentenced to 4 and a half years in prison.