2026 Consultation update

Update for SPA

25th May 2017

1 . Update on Consultation

Feedback so far

- The launch of the draft Strategy initiated a 10 week period of formal Consultation with the public, partners and internally. This concluded on **8 May 2017** (extended for **Local Authority** responses until **29 May 2017**).

- **The Consultation period** was divided into themed weeks, designed to maximise responses and enable an inclusive process.

- Responses to the draft Strategy consultation were collated via **'Citizen Space',** an online platform that enables full analysis.

- There were 21,385-**recorded visits** to the consultation webpage and 1715 **completed individual responses.** The breakdown of those completing the consultation is:

  - ✓ Public/ Organisations**: 72%**

  - ✓ Police officers/Police staff: **30%**

  - ✓ Organisational responses total **100,** 55 local organisations, 45 National.

  - ✓ 7 local authorities (deadline 29th May for local Government responses)

Statistical overview of responses received to consultation questions

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- Question 1 - **59% agrees** that the draft **Strategy** identifies the **main risks**, challenges and opportunities, **13% believe that it does not**.

- Question 2 - **77% agree** with the **main** areas of **focus** within the draft Strategy, **9% disagree.**

- Question 3 - **73% agree** with the **methods** proposed to deliver the draft Strategy, **10% disagree**.

- Question 4 - **79% agrees** that **public confidence** should be a key measure of success and the effectiveness of police performance, **7% disagree**.

- Question 5 - **82% agree** that we should **reshape our organisation** with a workforce focused on having the rights skills and capacity to meet future challenges, **6% disagree**.

Conclusions (So far)…

- The **EMERGING FINDINGS**… show **broad support** for the draft Strategy generally across all questions.

- An average of around **20%** of responders elect to make **additional free-text** comment at each question. To date this has demonstrated;

  - ✓ Recognition of the need to invest in technology but concern about cost

  - ✓ Support for the areas of focus, with Communities and Prevention featuring strongly.

  - ✓ Recognition of cyber as an emerging crime but concerns that 'it's a young persons crime, its not relevant to the general population', cost.

  - ✓ Mustn't lose traditional 'visible' policing at expense of emerging issues (Cyber)

  - ✓ Support for workforce modernization – skills, capabilities in the right place.

  - ✓ Partnership working important but other agencies cant rely upon the police to act as a catch all.

- **INDICATIVE AREAS…** within the strategy that **MAY** need **ADJUSTMENT** post consultation;

  - Rural area policing

  - Commitment re 'visibility' of policing

  - Clarification re Police and partner agency roles.

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