

**Report of:** The West Midlands Police and Crime Panel

**Date:** 9 February 2026

## **West Midlands Police and Crime Panel Review of the Police and Crime Commissioner Annual Report 2024 - 2025**

### **1 Introduction**

- 1.1 The West Midlands Police and Crime Panel is required by [Section 28 of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011](#) to review the Police and Crime Commissioner's Annual Report and make a report and recommendations.
- 1.2 On 2 February 2026, the Panel considered the Police and Crime Commissioner's draft Annual Report 2024-2025. The Panel wishes to extend its thanks to the Police and Crime Commissioner and the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for their presentation at the meeting and for responding to questions raised by Members.

### **2 Members Present**

- 2.1 The members in attendance were:
  - Cllr Suky Samra, LLB (Walsall Metropolitan Council) (Chair)
  - Cllr Jilly Bermingham (Birmingham City Council)
  - Ravinderjit Briaah (Independent Panel Member)
  - Cllr David Cole (Solihull Metropolitan Council)
  - Cllr Alex Dale (Dudley Metropolitan Council)
  - Cllr Abdul S Khan (Coventry City Council)
  - Cllr Izzy Knowles (Birmingham City Council)
  - Cllr Sardul Marwa, JP (Solihull Metropolitan Council)
  - Cllr Tersaim Singh (City of Wolverhampton)
  - Cllr Jackie Taylor (Sandwell Metropolitan Council) (Vice Chair)

### **3 Panel Feedback**

- 3.1 The Panel acknowledges the breadth of the activity captured in the Annual Report 2024-2025.
- 3.2 The Panel welcomes the Commissioner's plans to expand consultation through a new trust and confidence survey and encourages the Commissioner to utilise the network of local councillors to further extend his community engagement and communications.
- 3.3 The Panel notes the importance of signposting to the Single Online Home platform where residents can view local policing priorities developed by neighbourhood teams in collaboration with local communities.
- 3.4 The Panel looks forward to the publication of West Midlands Anti-Social Behaviour Policy.
- 3.5 The Panel was concerned that the timelapse between the reporting period and submission of the Annual Report reduces the effectiveness of scrutiny and recommend a maximum timeframe of six months. The Panel welcomed the Commissioner's commitment to bringing forward the timing of future reports.

#### **4 Final Comments**

- 4.1 The Panel hope the Police and Crime Commissioner considers this feedback helpful and looks forward to receiving a response.
- 4.2 A copy of this report and the Commissioner's response will be published on the Panel website [www.westmidlandspcp.org.uk](http://www.westmidlandspcp.org.uk)

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