

Warwickshire Police Authority – 28 June 2010

General Report of the Chief Constable

Recommendation

The Authority is recommended to note the contents of this report

1.0 SENIOR STAFF MOVES

- Superintendent Adrian McGee, Corporate Development (Disestablished post) – Customer Contact.
- Superintendent Neil Hewison, Judicial Services – Special Planning (Temporary posting - Papal visit).
- Chief Inspector Mike Wylde – T/Superintendent Judicial Services (Public confidence responsibilities retained).

2.0 FORCE VISITS

- 2.1 For the week commencing 21 June, the Force hosted the International Commanders Programme, sponsored by the NPIA. Senior Officers from Bermuda, Canada, Oman, Saudi Arabia & Bahrain have had the opportunity to observe the variety of management and operational aspects of policing Warwickshire, as part of their developmental training programme.

3.0 AWARDS

3.1 The Chief Constable's Award Ceremony

- 3.1.1 The ceremony was held on Wednesday 23 June, with the Guest of Honour, The Lord Lieutenant of Warwickshire, Martin Dunne JP, presenting the following awards:
- 19, Long Service & Good Conduct Medals
 - 12, Chief Constable's Commendations
 - 7, Neighbourhood Watch Awards
 - 1, Police Authority Neighbourhood Watch Award

4.0 FORCE GOVERNANCE

4.1 Force Attendance Management

- 4.1.1 A Force Attendance Management Group (FAMG) has been formed, Chaired by Richard Elkin, to address the issue of staff sickness and provide an oversight of the force approach to the management of this performance area. The FAMG recognise that the biggest single influence on attendance levels is good management action, which should lead to increased attendance, improved productivity and higher morale. This ethos is being promulgated through policy and the provision of an 'Attendance at

Work toolkit' to assist and support supervisors and managers with all aspects of the application of the policy for which they have responsibility for.

4.2 Child Rescue Alert

- 4.2.1 Child Rescue Alert was relaunched on 25 May as part of International Missing Children's Day. It is now nationally coordinated by the National Policing Improvement Agency. A Child Rescue Alert (CRA) is activated with the aim to rescue an abducted child and is an effective partnership between the police, media and public. Providing the criterion is met, the Senior Investigating Officer will take advice from the NPIA and then decide if a CRA should be activated. If so, the circumstances of the child's disappearance will be given via the press office to local broadcast media, so they can promptly begin to publicise the alert.

4.3 Local Public Confidence Survey 2010/11

- 4.3.1 The Force commenced the above survey on 17 May, which will continue through to March 2011. The telephone survey is being conducted on behalf of Warwickshire Police by County Council staff.

4.4 Visible Results Campaign

- 4.4.1 On Monday 17 May the Force launched a twelve-week campaign to promote the visible results achieved, in areas such as vehicle crime and anti-social behaviour.
- 4.4.2 The campaign will run at force, borough/district and local level, ensuring that the messages are relevant wherever people live in Warwickshire. During the twelve weeks the visible results, achieved last year, will feature on posters and postcards, in leaflets and will be promoted prominently on buses, trailers, billboards and phone boxes, to increase public awareness of the protection we deliver.
- 4.4.3 In terms of public confidence, which is measured through the British Crime Survey, Warwickshire Police is now ranked 20 out of 42 forces. This is a rise of 20 places compared to June 2009.

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