

POLICE AND CRIME PANEL - Meeting to be held on 7 June 2013.

Item 10: Commissioner's response to Operation Newgreen

1. Introduction

- 1.1. In May 2013 West Yorkshire Police Service published a public facing report, Operation Newgreen, on all contact between West Yorkshire Police and Jimmy Savile. This report has been provided in full to Police and Crime Panel members and this paper seeks to provide clarity on the involvement of the Police and Crime Commissioner on his involvement in and his response to the report in advance of the Police and Crime Panel meeting on 7 June.
- 1.2. This paper does not seek to extract elements or summarise the report as the report itself provides relevant sections on the key points but also contains the detail for discussion at the Police and Crime Panel. The report is part of an ongoing process to better understand the relationships between West Yorkshire Police and Savile, to make sure the victims of Savile's crimes and other victims of abuse are fully supported and to learn lessons for the future.
- 1.3. This is an open and transparent report aimed at building trust and confidence across communities in West Yorkshire.

2. Context for Operation Newgreen

- 2.1. The report has been produced in the context of Operation Yewtree the Metropolitan Police Service's investigation into allegations of sexual abuse committed by Savile and Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary (HMIC) report 'Mistakes were made' that assessed the police knowledge of and response to allegations made against Savile. HMIC provided its view to West Yorkshire Police and to the Police and Crime Commissioner in February 2013 and this was considered and reported on as part of Operation Newgreen.
- 2.2. The then Temporary Chief Constable John Parkinson and the Police and Crime Commissioner determined that in the interests of openness and transparency there should be a public facing report, Operation Newgreen, to make available to the people of West Yorkshire and elsewhere all West Yorkshire Police's information regarding Savile at this time.
- 2.3. It should be noted that West Yorkshire Police have referred aspects of Operation Newgreen to the Independent Police Complaints

Commission (IPCC) and this remains an ongoing discussion between West Yorkshire Police and the IPCC.

3. Response of the Police and Crime Commissioner to the report

- 3.1.** The full response of the Police and Crime Commissioner will follow the completion of all the necessary inquiries, and no action by him or his office will in any way interfere with the work of the IPCC.
- 3.2.** The Police and Crime Commissioner called for and therefore welcomed the public facing report Operation Newgreen. West Yorkshire Police has sought to provide answers and reassurance to the community. It is an open and transparent report that clearly and comprehensively sets out all the information currently known by West Yorkshire Police in relation to Savile, but also and importantly identifies where further work needs to be done to understand what happened and outlines the lessons that need to be learnt as a result of the investigation.
- 3.3.** The Police and Crime Commissioner will now work closely with West Yorkshire Police to make sure that victims have a strong voice but also the trust in West Yorkshire Police and other agencies that when they do come forward they can have the confidence that something will be done about it and they will be supported.
- 3.4.** We will never fully understand the totality of Savile's offending and everything that happened during that time but the Police and Crime Commissioner will work closely with the Chief Constable to make sure the lessons learnt are implemented and such a situation could never happen again.
- 3.5.** In particular the Police and Crime Commissioner will make sure the following actions set out in Operation Newgreen are implemented:
 - 3.5.1.** West Yorkshire Police will develop its current policy to ensure that associations and relationships with high profile individuals receive the same level of scrutiny and management as relationships with other individuals to ensure effective safeguarding measures are in place to protect the public and maintain public confidence
 - 3.5.2.** West Yorkshire Police will continue to work with Victims of recent and non-recent sexual abuse and support organisations to gain a better understanding of why Savile's victims did not report their abuse to WYP.
 - 3.5.3.** West Yorkshire Police will continue to ensure that it is compliant with the National Intelligence model in relation to the recording, classification and dissemination of intelligence that may relate to a high profile individual.
 - 3.5.4.** West Yorkshire Police will develop a process to ensure that when important information or intelligence is received verbally it is assessed and a record is made on the intelligence systems.
 - 3.5.5.** West Yorkshire Police will review current training programmes for those engaged in research and analysis to ensure that a profile of sexual violence and sexual offenders is maintained in West Yorkshire.