

**JOINT AUTHORITIES – POLICE AND CRIME PANEL
COUNCIL, 19 April 2017**

Mr Mayor,

I am pleased to share an update of the work of the GM Police and Crime Panel meeting held on 27 January 2017.

January's meeting were notified of the Police and Crime Commissioner's precept and budget proposals for 2017-18. The precept was increased by £5 for a Band D property. This increase will raise additional income of £3.6 million which equates to the average costs of 70 police constables.

I am pleased to report that this investment will allow support to continue for innovative projects which both reduce demand on public services including place based integration and also to improve the outcomes for vulnerable people like victims of child abuse, modern slavery, historic abuse cases, female genital mutilation and woman offenders who are often victims of Domestic abuse and suffer with mental health conditions.

The Panel in recognition of cuts to Local Authority budgets have earmarked monies from the Community Safety Fund to maintain the funding for the Community Safety Partnerships across Greater Manchester. Collectively this will make our communities safer and more resilient.

As Lead Member and Chair of the Panel, I continue to work with the Police and Crime Commissioner to deliver the Police and Crime Plan ensuring we work together to put citizens at the centre of everything we do. Recent successes have included:

- Police staff have been provided with Connect 5 training which provides basic awareness of mental illness and suicide to frontline workers
- Integrated custody healthcare, this will include healthcare provision in custody and wider liaison and diversion support – in all of Greater Manchester's custody suites
- A GM missing children project commenced on the 1st February which is designed to enhance the offer of

support that is currently received by children who go missing.

- Collaborative work around hate crime including a fully integrated Greater Manchester wide partnership campaign in February

Other items considered included an overview of Greater Manchester's civil resilience arrangements. During 2016 GM's agencies responded to a wide range of sudden impact major incidents which included the Boxing Day floods. Throughout 2016 the resilience structures in GM have continued to respond to a dynamic and changing risk context. The arrangements and mechanisms in place across local authorities and partner agencies have been proven to enable effective joint working in complex and challenging emergencies.