

STAFFORDSHIRE POLICE, FIRE AND CRIME PANEL – 27 June 2022

QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC TO THE POLICE, FIRE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER

Report of the Secretary

The Panel's Constitution provides for questions to the Commissioner from members of the public. Questioners can choose to either attend the meeting and ask the question themselves or have the question dealt with in written form and the reply forwarded to them.

The following question has been received (questions are listed in order of receipt):

1. Mr W Read – question received April 2022

"30 plus Police officers were deployed recently to escort Oldham Athletic FC supporters to Port Vale FC. Who paid, the clubs or Staffs council tax payers?"

The Commissioner has been asked to provide a written reply to the question which is attached to the report (Appendix a). A copy of the reply will be forwarded to any questioner not in attendance at the meeting.

2. Mr N Dodd – questions received May 2022

*"Concerning the HMIC inspection findings highlighting Staffordshire Police '**not effectively safeguarding children**'. What **exactly** is the PFCC doing about this to '**bring the force to account**'?"*

*What **significant, specific, measurable, publicly accountable, actions are being taken** by the PFCC. We don't want to hear from the Chief Constable, as this is irrelevant due to the understandable widespread mistrust of the police, as recognised by the government, Home Affairs Inquiry, etc.*

*We have seen no **proportionate** response locally. HMIC's conclusions, even with their restrictions, come after previous inspections assessing our police force as falling short in their care for the vulnerable, therefore leaving this for them to resolve is unacceptable. Particularly concerning is that with Stoke-on-Trent*

*Childrens services still in 'special measures' after 6 consecutive Ofsted inspection failures, **the city now has no agencies capable of keeping children and families safe.** We need visible, concerted action, urgently."*

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