**Dudley Stop and Search Scrutiny panel**

**Location:** Brierley Hill & TEAMS

**Date and Time:** 03/11/2022

**Apologises:**

Michael Bryan (MB)

Aldrich Gonsalves (AG)

Reece James (RJ)

Shaz Saleem (SS)

**In Attendance**:

Inspector Navdip Sandhu (NS)

Sheze Malik – OPCC(SM)

Danny Evans (DE)

Julie Wilkinson (Chair)

Mariann Bayliss (MB)

Lewis Wastell (LW Teams )

Eric Mills (EM Teams )

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| S | **Item Discussed** | **Actions** |
| 1. | Welcome and introduction done by JW and asked panel if there were any matters they would like to raise in regards to the previous meeting/ minutes or anything else. New panel member LW introduced himself to the panel.  Insp NS shared with the panel the importance of increasing our numbers and ensuring diversity is reflected in our panel.  This meeting was set to be face to face/hybrid – all members attended the station apart from SM ,LW and EM whom joined via Teams. | Only one matter to raise the importance of face to face meetings . |
| 2. | UPDATE on stop and search data from 30/06 – 01/11 by Insp Navdip Sandhu | Discussed and updated on performance data including outcome rates and also disproportionately data and total number of searches 9,905 stop and searches across the West midlands .  A great use of BWV 97%.  A discussion was held by the panel regarding the significance of BWV enhancing operations and increasing safety of the officers.  Insp NS explained and gave a brief to the panel and also highlighted impact areas Dudley bus station is a high impact area. 29.6 % positive outcome rates.  A increase of 14% of Dudley officers using section 1 search power.  A 21.1%knife find rate.  The panel agreed the figures are improving in the right direction.  The panel reviewed ethnicity breakdown figures .LW asked for clarity around the N/A in relation to the ethnicity figures .  Insp NS explained those not willing to say. |
| 3. | Random selection of stop and search records | Stop and Search initially selected BWV footage by JW .   1. This was in relation to a section 1 pace search of a man who had been drinking heavily in a high crime area. He was obstructing the highway and was cuffed and searched by PC Hegarty. He was carrying a knife and detained. 2. The panel agreed the search was justified and carried out in a fair manner. 3. The panel agreed acting Sergeant Dan Fox's involvement should be commended. 4. The panel agreed the conversation from the officers involved asking the suspect ..Do you want your stop and search reference number ? is a direct result of the panel and the clarity expected from officers.   2)The police had received intelligence and suspected the number plates were cloned, drugs were in the car.  The vehicle had been linked to drug supply, also driving at speed whilst on the phone.  The drive was wanted on P.N.C in Sandwell  The vehicle was stopped by PC Day on St James Road and the driver detained under a section section 1 Pace.  The car was seized under the road traffic act ,a roadside drugs test followed.  The suspect was wanted for a serious assault.  Insp NS explained to the panel the procedure that would follow at the police station whilst the suspect was in custody.  The panel agreed this incident was fair and justified.  The panel agreed the officers communication was good throughout the process.  The panel commended the officers and agreed Insp NS to feedback positively to his team.    The panel commended the officers engagement.  The search was justified.  Insp NS explained the details in relation to the use of hand cuffs.  The panel agreed the use of hand cuffs and the search was fair and justified.  .  Insp NS explained to the panel the effect of substances on a individual whilst driving impaired and the use of the drugs wipe and roadside drugs test.(£18 per strip.) |
| 4. | UPDATE on Use of Force data from 30/6 – 01/11 by Insp Navdip Sandhu | Snapshot of UoF Force data and DY.  89.3% BWV recorded.  Taser Tactics explained and stated that red dot is main tactic used – compliance without Force being used.  JW shared with the panel officers adhere to strict rules when choosing Tasar and complete extensive training and are carefully monitored. |
| 5 | Random selection of Use of Force records | * Use of Force information tasar tactics policing operations shared and discussed by the panel. * EM raised a concern regarding ethnic disproportionately. * 3.5 % Black UOF and a discussion followed regarding the use of census data from 2011. * The panel scrutinised a double Tasar incident. * The police received a call from a member of the public. * A male with mental health issues entered his sister's house having attacked a neighbour. A child was also at the address. He punched a officer ,threatened officers with a plank of wood. * Officer Dunn discharged a Tsar alongside a 2nd officer who discharged his Tsar.   Insp NS explained to the panel officers do have mental health training. The panel agreed the incident was handled in the best possible way the UOF was fair and neccessary.    Panel thanked Insp NS for his clarity and step by step feedback on his teams work.  It was agreed that UOF Tasar would be automatically scrutinised by the panel. |
| 6. | Action noted from discussions for update at next panel | Also the importance of positive feedback to officers from this meetings slides.  Insp NS to feedback praise to his team. |
| 7. | AOB /Notes | SM agreed with JW the importance of encouraging new members to the panel.  It was agreed that face to face meetings going forward are of the highest importance |
| 8. | Date and location of next panel | Dates for 2023 to be confirmed in the next few weeks.  Brierley Hill Police Station |