**NPU Stop and Search Scrutiny panel**

**Location:** **Date and Time:**

Wolverhampton Central Police Station, Bilston street, City Centre, WV1 3AA and TEAMS

21/05/2024 at 18:30-20:30pm

**Apologies:**

Adrian Roberts

Beth Cooke

Dr Mathew Ojo

Gloria Smith

Michael Hough

Neil Hubbins

Pamela Walker

**In Attendance**:

WMP Force Rep

Stephen Edwards– Inspector (SE)

OPCC Rep

Shezè Malik (SM)

Panel Members

Chester Morrison - Chair (CM)

Esther Douglas (ED)

Kal Khan (KK)

Leannah Dacres

Michael Bryan (MB)

Natalia Lipiec (NL) – YP panel Chair

Ruby Smith (RSm)

Ruth South (RSo)

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|  | **Item Discussed** | **Actions** |
| 1. | **Welcome and introduction done by Chair CM**  **New SPOC Insp SE introduction** | Introductions carried out and by Chair CM and welcomed new panel members, RSm and MB.  MB previously DY panel member for 4 years.  Insp SE introduced himself as the new SPOC for the WV panel. |
|  | **Concerns/ Issues** | Insp SE assured the panel of consistency in meetings as last two meetings had been cancelled due to WMP dates and SPOC portfolio change. |
|  | **Update by Insp SE** | Video update viewed on new requirement from 20th May 2024 around the recording of compliant handcuffing by ACC O’Hara |
|  | **Data update by Insp NK**  Snapshot 1st March – 31st May 2024 | Discussed and updated on performance data including outcome rates, disproportionately data and total number of searches across the West midlands and Wolverhampton.  Panel discussed the search mapping hotspots areas and enquired about when most searches by police can take place.  Serious Violence Reduction Orders (SVRO) in WV were discussed and the panel were given brief information by Insp SE |
|  | **Stop and Search Records**  Dip sampling  SSWV-2P-223817295 from 26/04/24 | 1 search record dip sampled:  This footage showed the ‘Guardian’ team specifically there to address under 25 serious youth violence/knife crime. It would appear they were on routine patrol when they saw someone they have described as concealing something and then actively evading police. As such 2 persons were detained for the purpose of stop and search - nothing recovered. The person searched was of previous interest to police following intelligence checks. The panel did not have concerns over the actions of officers but did highlight that the search to the other individual could be heard in the background and were interested to see how that search was conducted. |
|  | **Use of Force** | No UoF data and footages viewed due to time limitation.  Panel members have reviewed UoF data sent prior to the meeting |
| 5. | **Actions** | Action noted from discussions for update at next panel or send via email   * Insp SE to bring back information as to why officers of the footage viewed did not have their cameras switched on * Insp SE to try and locate the other search at the same time for the panel to view at the next meeting. * SM to send data of stop and searches grouped by the time of day they occurred in WM * SM to send ethnic makeup of WV * SM to send panel information re SVRO * SM to arrange with PRAP lead to visit the panel in upcoming meetings. * SM to send Cranstoun info to new panel members |
|  | **AOB /Notes** | Panel members reminded to review data content prior and to bring questions to meeting to save time to view more footages/records. |
| 6. | **Date and location of next panel** | Tuesday 16th July 2024  18:30-20:30pm   * Wolverhampton Central Police Station, Bilston street, City Centre, WV1 3AA. * TEAMS |