

## Stop and Search Scrutiny panel

**Location:** Stetchford Police Station and virtually via Teams

**Date and Time:** 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2023

**In Attendance:** A French (AF) Chair, S Graham (WMP Inspector SG), K Elmi (KE), A Khayre (AK), M Nur (MN), K Mohamed (KM), N Hooper (NH), Matt (WMP), M Williams (WMP), N Cox (NC), M Sharif (MS), N Fletcher (NF) via Teams

**Apologies:** T Bickley, D Madden, Mr Ali, W Mcloughlin, S Rivers

	Item Discussed	Actions
1.	Welcome and introduction Minutes of the last meeting, update on any actions taken from last meeting	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Select body worn video for non compliant handcuffing for the next panel – <a href="#">Update; Cases for January panel chosen by the chair contain non compliant handcuffing.</a></li> <li>2. Instigate a Reward and recognition for the Officer concerned in Stop &amp; Search record 4 <a href="#">Update; Recognition generated through the system.</a></li> </ol>
2.	UPDATE on stop and search data from Inspector Graham	<p>The pack has been emailed to all panel members in advance so it can be pre read and save a little time in the meeting. If panel members have any questions they can raise them at the time.</p> <p>It as noted that the % of Meeting the Required standard for the NPU and the Impact Areas is on a downward trajectory.</p> <p>MS asked about whether the BE NPU knife find rate was related to specific programs being implemented in these wards.</p> <p>AK asked about how long the memory in a BWV device lasts for. SG said until its battery runs out.</p> <p>The panel noted the disproportionally ratios in the data and will keep these under review.</p> <p>NH asked about the frequency of handcuffing when undertaking a Stop &amp; Search. At the moment over half of these interactions result in the nominal being handcuffed.</p>



3.	<p>Dip sample of stop and search</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1) SSBE-HM-52571559. PC H subject C. 9<sup>th</sup> November 2022</li><li>2) SSBE-DF-63581835. PC M subject H. 13<sup>th</sup> December 2022</li><li>3) SSBE-LJ-55236895. PC J subject A. 16<sup>th</sup> November 2022</li><li>4) SSBE-PE-61744687. PC U subject N/K. 7<sup>th</sup> December 2022</li><li>5) SSBE-CU-67823671. PC F subject W. 29<sup>th</sup> December 2022</li></ol>	<p><b>Record 1 chosen by AK</b> The record was signed off within two days. The panel felt that the officer dealt with the nominal in a very professional, clear, calm manner. The nominal's dignity was upheld in all that was said and done. Agreed that this was a positive Stop &amp; Search. <b>Initiate a praise &amp; reward.</b></p> <p><b>Record 4 chosen by MN</b> The officers supervisor had decided that this search did not meet the required standard. It seemed to take a long time to get to the point of searching the two individuals whose car had been stopped in a car park. Neither individual was handcuffed. <b>Why was it declined as not making the standard?</b></p>
4.	<p>Dip sample of Use of Force records</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Log 2806 2764 of 1<sup>st</sup> November 2022. PC H and subject M</li><li>2. Log 1844 of 30<sup>th</sup> November 2022. PC R subject O</li><li>3. Log 251 8<sup>th</sup> November 2022. PC B subject M</li><li>4. Log 80 28<sup>th</sup> November 2022. PC W subject B</li><li>5. Log 1216 24<sup>th</sup> December 2022. PC B subject N/K</li></ol>	<p>As requested by the panel all five videos related to non compliant handcuffing.</p> <p><b>Record 2 chosen by MS</b> There was an eight day sign off for the handcuffed search undertaken by a Motorway unit. A number of officers were present in a car sales lot. The nominal was very vocal and agitated. The panel felt that the officer remained calm and professional in the face of a difficult situation. Agreed that this was a positive Stop &amp; Search and use of handcuffing. <b>Initiate a Praise &amp; Reward.</b></p> <p><b>Record 5 chosen by NH</b> The nominal was handcuffed to the front using two handcuffs. Through out a difficult incident around the said and rear of a house the officer used a professional and appropriate tone, explaining what was happening and what would happen. The nominal was treated with and shown appropriate care at all times. The panel agreed that this was a neutral use of handcuffing.</p> <p>KE asked about the difference between drawn and aimed when reporting on the use of a Taser.</p>



5.	Action noted from discussions for update at next panel	<p>See actions in red font above.</p>
6.	Date and location of next panel	<p><b>Wednesday 15th March @ 6pm</b> <b>Stechford Police Station &amp; on Teams.</b></p> <p>To be chaired by M Sharif.</p> <p>N Hooper to chair May's meeting.</p>

As this was Inspector Graham's last meeting he was thanked for all that he has done to ensure that the panel has been successful. His effort, enthusiasm and wisdom have been much appreciated.