



Stop and Search Scrutiny Panel

Location: Homer Road, Solihull

Date and Time: April 25th at 18:30

Apologies:

Left group since last meeting:

Attendance: Insp Mark Heard, Natalie Fox, Jatinder Matharu (Chair), Anna Evans,

Chris Warne (Vice Chair), David Glanfield, Kate Flack, Norwood Jones, Malcolm mellows, Jim Harte

	Item Discussed	Actions
1.	Meeting Etiquette Panel members to sign up to meeting etiquette	
2.	Review of actions	
3	Data – Please prepare questions and share before the meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- 21% decrease in stop and search seems significant, so I'll be interested in hearing the reasons behind that, if you know. Unfortunately, due to the number of incidents reported that needed our attendance it affected our stop and search. Also, for all 21% seems a large amount it was only 22 less searches than December. I have raised our stop and search figures with my Senior Management as February has again seen a decrease (I will explain in April)- I'd also be interested in understanding the reasons for the arrest rate decrease if that can be shared. We saw a large increase in Stop and Search for drugs. Due to this offence type arrests are not commonly used but instead diversary pathways, meaning that arrests would fall- What is 'Neighbourhood Management' on the Outcomes slide? Neighbourhood Management would normally be a Neighbourhood Inspector. If he/she carries out one search, finds a prohibited article and arrests the person, that would show as a 100% outcome rate over the year. Hope that makes sense- Is 22% S&S not signed off a significant percentage? What would be 'normal' or acceptable? This is approximately about 20 stop and search forms. In an ideal world they should all be signed off on the day but unfortunately this is a work in progress
4.	UOF: 1 Outcome:	UOF: Taser and Handcuffs



		<p>The panel felt that the officer conduct was good, and the situation was controlled effectively leading to a positive outcome in a high-risk environment. However, the context for the use of taser was not available in the video footage leading to queries regarding the drive to withdrawal of the taser.</p>
5.	UOF: 2 Outcomes:	<p>UOF:Taser red dot, deployment handcuffs</p> <p>Panel members felt that this was a proportional level of force. The care shown to the individual afterwards was commented on positively.</p>
6.	Stop & Search: Outcomes:	<p>Car stop took place. The grounds initially given were not the grounds for the stop based on the intelligence detailed. The initial reason for the stop shared with the suspect did not reflect the intelligence received and then subsequent grounds were then given which were based on the intelligence received which lead to the individual asking why the grounds changed – which the panel also mentioned.</p> <p>The initial conversation took place whilst the individual was in the car, and the car was left running for quite some time. Initial control of the car was poor, leaving the individual with the opportunity to flee the scene easily, which the panel felt was uncontrolled, especially when the rational for the stop was suspected drug selling.</p> <p>Go wisely adhered to and the officers were courteous.</p> <p>Outcome: the stop and search process were appropriate, and the grounds for the stop and search shared with the individual was confused and not a reflection of the grounds or intelligence received. Therefore, the information shared was deemed by the panel to be incorrect which also made the officers lose credibility. Management of information sharing was poor.</p>
7.	AOB	
8.	Date and location of next panel	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• June 27th
9.	2024 Panel Dates	<p>Future dates identified:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• TBC

Agenda Item 1: Meeting Etiquette

Meeting etiquette is crucial for maintaining a professional and respectful, and is important for several reasons:

Effective Communication: Meeting etiquette improves communication in a meeting. Behaviours such as not interrupting others while they speak and addressing others politely with respect can foster effective communication.

Enhanced Productivity: Meeting etiquette can enhance productivity by ensuring that meetings are conducted in an organized and efficient manner.



Professional Environment: Meeting etiquette helps create a positive and professional environment. It encourages participants to behave professionally and respectfully, which can improve relationships amongst the panel and create a safe place where members can raise their views.

Respect for Others: Meeting etiquette ensures that all participants are treated with courtesy and respect. This includes giving everyone an opportunity to speak and valuing the contributions of all participants.

Efficient Use of Time: By adhering to meeting etiquette, meetings can be more focused and efficient, making better use of everyone's time.

In essence, meeting etiquette is a standard set of behaviours expected from attendees during meetings. It encourages participants to create a professional environment with mutual respect.

Next panel session.

I would like to all panel members to agree and sign-up to the following:

- **Punctuality:** Arrive on time or even a few minutes early.
- **Preparation:** Come prepared with all necessary materials and having reviewed relevant documents or agendas.
- **Attendance:** Attend all meetings. Where you are not able to attend, share apologies in advance of the meeting
- **Active Participation:** Engage in the discussion, ask relevant questions, and provide constructive feedback.
- **Respectful Communication:** Listen attentively when others are speaking, avoid interrupting, and respond in a respectful manner.
- **Professionalism:** Maintain a professional demeanour, use appropriate language, and respect differing opinions.
- **Confidentiality:** Respect the confidentiality of sensitive information discussed in the meeting.