

Stop and Search Scrutiny Panel

Location: Homer Road, Solihull

Date and Time: June 27th at 18:30

Apologies: Anna Evans

New Members: Natalia Cunningham-Brown

Left group since last meeting:

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

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

mellows, Jim Harte

Apologises:

	Item Discussed	Actions
1.	Review of actions	UOF 1: THE OFFICER STATED THAT THE INFORMATION HE HAD WAS THAT A KNIFE HAD BEEN SEEN AND SHOWN TO THE VICTIMS, HENCE. HE HAD NOT BEEN PASSED THE DESCRIPTION OF WHICH MALE HAD THE KNIFE. UOF 2: THE OFFICERS THANKED THE PANEL FOR THE RESPONSE Stop & Search: BOTH OFFICERS HAVE BEEN SPOKEN WITH. THEY STATED AT THE TIME THEY WERE IN ONE OF THE LARGE PUBLIC ORDER VANS WITH NUMEROUS OFFICERS, THEREFORE THE MALE OFFICER HAD WITNESSED THE POTENTIAL DRUG DEAL, BUT THE FEMALE OFFICER HADNT. THE FEMALE OFFICER STATED THAT SHE ALWAYS ASKS PEOPLE FOR THEIR DRIVING LICENSE FIRST AS IT HELPS BUILD A RAPPORT WITH THE DRIVER AND TO SEE WHAT THEIR TEMPREMENT IS LIKE. THEY BOTH UNDERSTAND THE CONFUSION IT COULD CAUSE, BUT STATED IT WAS MORE OF LACK OF COMMUNICATION
2.	Data – Please prepare questions and share before the meeting	 - 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
3	UOF: 1 Outcome:	No UOF – issue with system/data
4.	Stop & Search	Advised of grounds. Go Wisely was followed.
	SSSH-3D- 23631991 Outcomes:	Very professional, good rapport and treated the individual with respect. Incident was well handled. The officer did imply he was exercising preferential treatment stating that he would leave the individual with his tobacco implying he was going against process, which was raised by the panel.
		Outcome: good rapport during the stop and search. Please provide feedback to the officer regarding the perception if preferential treatment
5.	Stop & Search: SSSH_EX- 237875471 Outcomes:	Advised of grounds. Go Wisely was followed. Rapport built. Offered to provide a referral as the individual said he was homelessness. Handcuffs did come off once rapport was built.
		Officer questions: Handcuffs went on very quickly - was there a reason for this?
6.	Stop & Search: SSBE-FG- 237703107 Outcomes:	The body worn was switched on late in the stop and search so the panel could not see the initial part of the stop and search.
	Outcomes.	Handcuffs were not removed quickly once the search was completed – the removal was considered delayed by the panel. One person was handcuffed, and one person was not. There was no clarity why this happened.
		Outcome: panel unable to determine outcome
7.	AOB	Natile advised that the Panel information pack is slightly delayed and will be shared with the panel once approved
8.	Date and location of next panel	Aug 6th
9.	2024 Panel Dates	Future dates identified:
		• 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 apologises 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.