



Stop and Search, Use of Force Scrutiny Panel

Location: Solihull Police Station

Date and Time: 03rd June at 18:30

In Attendance: Jatinder, David, Kate, Poonam, Chelsea, Christopher, Shez, Sgt Mitchell

Apologies: Anna, Jim,

	Item Discussed	Actions
1.	Welcome and introduction	
2.	Review of notes from last session	Panel approval for feedback
3.	Section 60	No section 60s
4.	Police Data	Reviewed data Action: review the UoF for Black individuals and feedback on the data
5.	Dip sample of stop and search	<p>1. 1st request – BWF was not saved so panel were unable to review</p> <p>445169945: Details: smell of cannabis coming from the car, go wisely shared, Was a QR code offered?: This was offered. Was GO WISELY followed?: GO WISELY was partially followed; however, the grounds were not recorded in sufficient detail. Grounds: section 23 misuse of drugs act Outcome: NFA Feedback to the officer: The stop and search was conducted in a calm and professional manner. The officer treated the individual with courtesy and kept them appropriately informed throughout. Greater detail should be recorded when outlining grounds to ensure compliance with GO WISELY requirements.</p> <p>445170655 Details: smell of cannabis coming from the car, go wisely shared, Was a QR code offered?: Not recorded.</p> <p>Was GO WISELY followed?: GO WISELY appears to have been followed; however, it is unclear whether all elements were fully provided due to the record being incomplete.</p> <p>Grounds: RTA, section 23 Misuse of drugs Outcome: Feedback to the officer: The stop and search was conducted effectively, with the officer managing multiple demands,</p>



		<p>including the Road Traffic Act matter, engagement with the individual, and supporting/monitoring a newer officer. However, the record remains incomplete, which limits the panel's ability to fully assess compliance. Ensure that all records are finalised promptly and include sufficient detail.</p> <p>445169668 Details: log was insufficient Was a QR code offered?: Yes Was GO WISELY followed?: Yes, the required details were provided to the individual.</p> <p>Grounds: Section 1 Pace Outcome: NFA Feedback to the officer: The officer demonstrated effective rapport-building skills and handled the stop well. Clear information was provided to the individual, and the officer maintained a helpful and professional approach throughout. However, the log details were insufficient; ensure that records are completed fully and accurately to support transparency and accountability.</p>
6	<p>Dip sample of Use of Force records UOF 1.</p> <p>UOF 2.</p> <p>UOF 3.</p>	<p>UOF Used: Compliant handcuffs and Taser Description: Two individuals were located inside a property during a burglary. Panel Outcome: The use of force was deemed reasonable. Officers managed the situation effectively, and the panel agreed that their actions warranted commendation.</p> <p>UOF Used: Compliant handcuffing Description: Response to a report of domestic abuse; the individual did not present any immediate threat. Panel Outcome: The use of force was considered reasonable.</p> <p>UOF Used: Compliant handcuffing Description: The officer refers to the 'use of policy', which does not appear to exist. The officer could have justified the application of handcuffs based on the circumstances without referencing a non-existent policy. That said, the application of handcuffs was appropriate. The officer also demonstrated good communication, built rapport, and treated all individuals in the home with respect. Panel Outcome: While the use of force was considered appropriate, the panel has significant concerns about the officer referencing or applying a policy that does not appear to be formally recognised. This is not acceptable and should be addressed to ensure compliance with approved procedures.</p>
7.	Action noted from discussions for update at next panel	



8.	AOB	
9.	Date and location of next panel	29/07/2026 30/09/2026 25/11/2026