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Leicestershire Police & Partner Agencies
Adult Out of Court Scrutiny Panel
Minutes
9th August 2019

1. Attendance

Nish Padhiar (NP) (Chair) – Executive Manager PCC Office
Suzi Felstead JP – Chair Magistrates Bench
John Norman (JN) - Leicestershire Police
David Crane – (DC) - Leicestershire Police
D/C/Insp Chris Baker (CB) – Leicestershire Police
Jaspal Hulait (JH) – Probation
Joe O’Callaghan – Turning Point
Insp Caroline Barker - Leicestershire Police
Amit Parmar – (AP) - CPS
Jyoti Chavda – Leicestershire Police

2. Apologies

Angela Perry – PCC Office
Emma Langham - HMCTS
Sally Cook – CPS
Louise Cox – CPS

3. Minutes and Actions from last meeting

The minutes of the last meeting were approved and no matters arising.

John Norman advised the panel that this would be his last meeting and introduced David Crane to the group who will be taking over from him when he retires at the end of this month.

4. Adult Offender Disposal Data

JN gave an overview of the data information provide to the group and made reference to the to an article in the Leicester Mercury – 11th May 2019 – which were the minutes from out last meeting and uplifted from the PCC’s website.

5. Panel Cases for Consideration

The majority of the 15 cases for review were chosen at random by the PCC's office. In line with the agreement at the previous meeting a small number were specially selected by individual panel members. Following review the following results were recorded:

- 6 cases graded as 1 = Appropriate and consistent with policies
- 7 cases graded as 2 = Appropriate but with observations
- 2 cases graded as 3 = Inappropriate and inconsistent with policies
- 0 cases graded as 4 = Panel failed to reach a conclusion

Case No:	Case:	Disposal:	Outcome:	Category:	Comments:
01	Battery	Adult Community Caution	Appropriate and consistent with policies	2	Panel concerned no victim's views recorded. Victim has previous convictions. Hate crime but not flagged as this.
02	Battery	Adult Community Resolution	Appropriate and consistent with policies	2	Panel concerned no victims views recorded.
03	Battery	Adult Community Caution	Inappropriate and inconsistent with policy	3	Panel concerned no victims views recorded.
04	Harassment	Adult Community Resolution	Appropriate and consistent with policy	1	
05	Possess Cannabis	Adult Community Resolution	Appropriate and consistent with policies	2	This should have been a Conditional Caution and have gone to court
06	Damage	Adult Conditional Caution	Appropriate and consistent with policy	1	Panel felt good rational, good conditions, good file and feedback to be given to Officer

07	Battery	Adult Community Resolution	Appropriate and consistent with policies	2	CR for assault only. CR with payment to charity? (This should be used for offence to community)
08	Theft	Adult Community Resolution	Appropriate and consistent with policy	1	Good file
09	Battery	Adult Conditional Caution	Appropriate and consistent with policies	2	Panel concerned no victims views recorded. Lack of evidence & how was the officer going to enforce the ban? (Officer has circulated posters around the city pubs area)
10	Damage (under £5,000)	Adult Conditional Caution	Appropriate and consistent with policy	1	
11	DA Battery	Adult Conditional Caution	Appropriate and consistent with policy	1	Good file and feedback to be given to Officer
12	DA Battery	Adult Conditional Caution	Appropriate and consistent with policies	2	More conditions should have been added, too serious, creditability, needs help, safeguarding

					issue, no offer of alcohol referral
13	DA Damage	Adult Community Resolution	Appropriate and consistent with policies	2	Maybe should have been a Conditional Caution with referral for anger management
14	DA Common Assault	Adult Conditional Caution	Inappropriate and inconsistent with policy	3	Controlling behaviour, not first offence, 2 previous attempts of suicide – needs help
15	DA Damage	Adult Community Resolution	Appropriate and consistent with policy	1	

6. National Out of Court Disposal Pilot Scheme Update

New project underway. Possibly for 12 months, although no timescales were given. This will involve the PCC Office working with Leicester University and CARA on Hate Crimes using CC on DV Cases – on standard risk – together with 7 other forces who are also included in this project.

Our DV Cases for male victims is lower than other forces and JN enquired if we could use this for standard risks but was advised this is not possible.

Looking to relaunch CARA to Officers and DCI Baker will be meeting with D/Supt Matt Ditcher and invited John/Dave to attend to discuss how to take this forward.

7. AOB

- **John Norman – TOR's**

New guidance has been received and some changes need to be made for these meetings.

One of these being the TOR's for meetings

Rotate Chair around panel members

Local Magistrates to be included

CPS inclusion

Police inclusion

YOT inclusion

Victim representative – this would be a member of the public which was discussed previously but this could be problematic due to the sensitivity of content and details discussed around the cases

Statutory and non-statutory advisor – ie: CARA, New Dawn New Day

Voluntary sector advisors

Also recommendations for each quarter we hold a separate meeting for BAME (Black, Asian & Ethnic Minority) and female offenders.

JN suggested David, DCI Baker, and a representative from the PCC's office meet and review the changes that are suggested – although some of them we already have in place.

- **Nish Padhiar – John Norman**

NP thanked John for all his work over the past years in these meeting and wished him a happy retirement.

7. Future Meeting Dates:

Friday 15th November 2019 – Main Conference Room – FHQ

Wednesday 19th February 2020 – Small Conference Room – FHQ