REPORT TO PICKMERE PARISH COUNCIL

6th October 2020

AGENDA ITEM 8.2 - NEW APPROACH TO COMMUNITY POLICING - HIGH LEGH AND MOBBERLEY

1. Report

1.1 The following communication has been received from Cheshire Police.

Cheshire Police has today launched its new approach to community policing, which will see dedicated police officers assigned to each of the county's 122 policing areas to tackle crime and support communities.

The initiative has been developed by Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) David Keane who is striving for Cheshire to be the leading police service for delivering community policing.

It builds on the already successfully delivered initiative to provide a dedicated PCSO and police community base for each area.

The new community police officers will work with their fellow PCSO, the wider policing team, and key partners to build relationships within the community, sharing the same mission to solve problems at their root-cause before they become more serious.

They will spend more time in the heart of their dedicated communities and be given time to deal with issues that matter most to local residents.

Another benefit of the changes is local residents will have more opportunities than ever before to directly contact their officers - either online, through social media, or face-to-face during police surgeries.

The work of the new community policing teams will be supported by a funding package for each community, made available from money seized from criminals under the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002.

This will consist of a £1,000 funding pot for all 122 communities and an additional £10,000 for all eight policing units that local people can bid for to deliver projects which work with the local policing team and key partners to address specific issues.

This now means that you have:

- A local community police base
- A dedicated PCSO
- A dedicated PC
- Regular community policing surgeries
- Funding for your local community

Details of your local police officer, PCSO and community base can be found below:

PC Lawrence Price PCSO Emma Darroch

High Legh Village Hall, West Lane, High Legh, Knutsford, WA16 6LR

2. Recommendation

2.1 That the communication be noted.

J Steel Parish Clerk