

NORTH YORKSHIRE POLICE, FIRE AND CRIME PANEL

10 October 2024

Progress on Issues Raised by the Panel

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To advise Members of:

- (i) progress on issues which the Panel has raised at previous meetings; and
- (ii) any other matters that have arisen since the last meeting and which relate to the work of the Panel.

2.0 BACKGROUND

2.1 This report will be submitted to the Panel as required, listing the Panel's previous resolutions and/or when it requested further information to be submitted to future meetings. The table below provides a list of issues which were identified at previous Panel meetings and which have not yet been resolved. The table also indicates where the issues are regarded as completed and will therefore not be carried forward to this agenda item at the next Panel meeting.

2.2 The Panel is asked to consider whether any further follow-up is required.

	Date	Minute number and subject (if applicable)	Panel resolution or issue raised	Comment / date required	Status
1	25 July 2024	21 / Draft Policing and Crime Annual Report 23/24	Information sought on how long it took for the NYP Complaints and Recognition Team to deal with complaints in 23/24.	30.09.24	Completed See Appendix A
2	25 July 2024	21 / Draft Policing and Crime Annual Report 23/24	Reassurance sought on the build progress for the Sexual Assault Referral Centre in York.	30.09.24	Completed See Item 7
3	25 July 2024	22 / Draft Fire and Rescue Annual Report 23/24	Panel to receive details of the investment made into prevention and protection teams as a result of the changes at Huntington Fire Station.	30.09.24	Completed See Appendix A
4	25 July 2024	22 / Draft Fire and Rescue Annual Report 23/24	Panel requested further detail regarding FRS response times from Huntington post-RRM (to be compared with pre-RRM where available).	30.09.24	Completed See Item 9

5	25 July 2024	22 / Draft Fire and Rescue Annual Report 23/24	Panel requested that the October FRS report includes (i) appliance availability across the area; and (ii) an update on the position as regards the FBU critical safety notice.	30.09.24	Completed See Appendix A
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3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 There are no significant financial implications arising from this report.

4.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1 There are no significant legal implications arising from this report.

5.0 EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

5.1 There are no significant equalities implications arising from this report.

6.0 CLIMATE CHANGE IMPLICATIONS

6.1 There are no significant climate change implications arising from this report.

7.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

7.1 It is recommended that the Panel:

- (a) notes the report;
- (b) considers whether any of the points highlighted in this report require further follow-up.

APPENDICES:

Appendix A: Updates against issues from the York and North York Yorkshire Office for Policing, Fire, Crime and Commissioning (YNY OPFCC).

Appendix B: Investment into protection and prevention across fire and rescue staffing Structure.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS: None.

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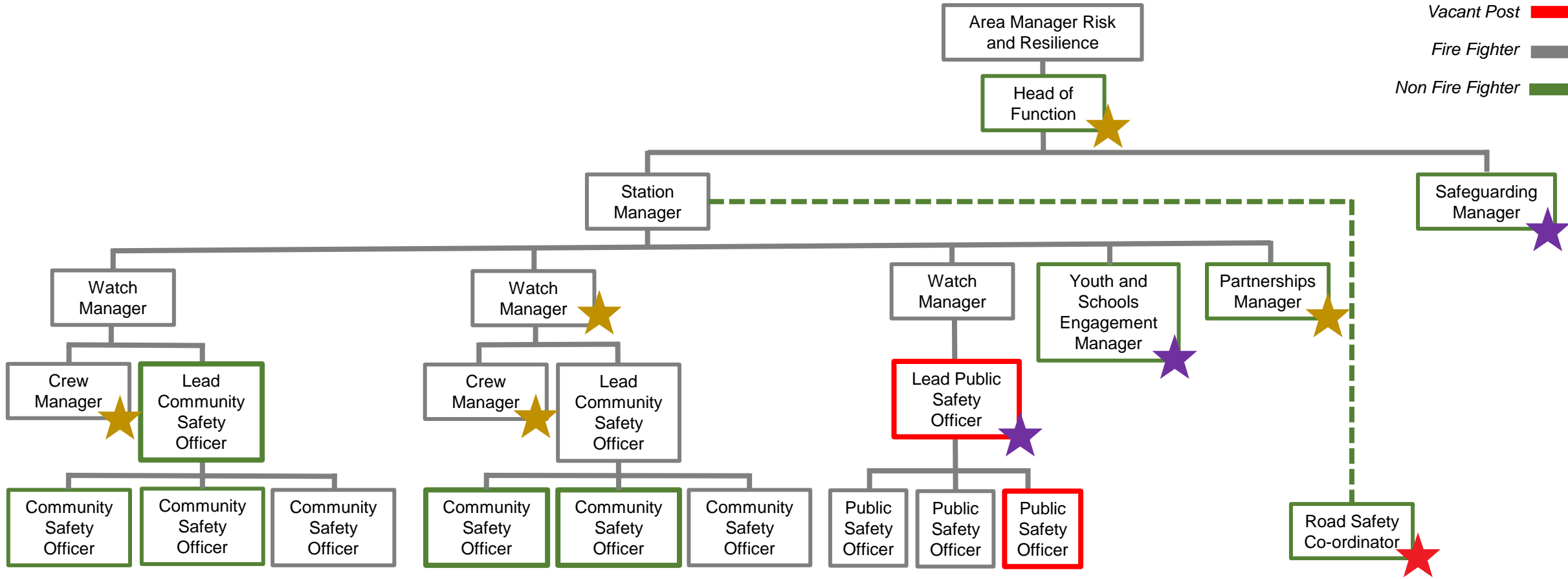
	Query raised	Response from YNY OPFCC
1	<p>Pages 5-6 of the draft Police and Crime Annual Report 2023/24 highlight volumes of complaints received. The Panel highlighted that a previous recommendation was for the report to include detail on the average time take to handle complaints. It was agreed that this information would be provided to the Panel.</p>	<p>Here is the Q1 IOPC report Police-complaints-information-bulletin-North-Yorkshire-Q1-24-25.pdf (policeconduct.gov.uk)</p> <p>To give this some context the way complaints are logged on centurion changed on 29 January 2024. This now provides a more robust set of data and bring us in line with the IOPC national reporting model and other police force areas.</p> <p>Part of the success of service recovery and following the informal process is the ability to recover cases in a less formal but nevertheless thorough way. On advice from the IOPC complaints are now robustly assessed based on the allegation and not on the merit of the complaint. Where there has been no merit in the past, we have worked to resolve these through the informal process; these are now referred to Professional Standards for a formal assessment in line with IOPC requirements.</p> <p>At day 28 where enquiries cannot be completed or the matter is not resolved informally consideration is now given to referring these to the police Professional Standards Dept (PSD) under the formal process. These are decided on a case by case basis, for example where the case is nearing completion there would be little benefit referring these cases.</p>
3	<p>Page 11 of the draft Fire and Rescue Annual Report 2023/24 stated <i>“The changes at Huntington fire station have allowed investment into prevention and protection teams creating additional specialist, permanent prevention and protection roles,”</i></p> <p>Panel requested details of the investment made into prevention and protection teams as a result of the changes at Huntington Fire Station.</p>	<p>Whilst the change to Huntington Fire Station has allowed investment into Prevention and Protection functions, this was not the key driver for this change; resourcing to risk was.</p> <p>Further information on the investment is contained within the NYFRS Risk and Resource Model update at Item 9. Appendix B also provides an overview of how the investment has enabled the service structure to evolve in terms of both protection and prevention.</p>

<p>5</p>	<p>Panel requested that the October fire and rescue service report includes info on: (i) appliance availability across the area; and (ii) an update on the position as regards the FBU Safety Critical Notice.</p>	<p>(i) This information is covered under Item 9 on the agenda.</p> <p>(ii) Reference to the Fire Brigade Union’s Safety Critical Notice (SCN) pertaining to staffing levels and fire engine availability was made. At the 25th July meeting, Panel Members stated that the Chief Fire Officer at the start of this year had assured Panel that the Notice would be dropped by the FBU. At this previous Panel on 5 February 2024 the Chief Fire Officer had informed Panel members that the FBU had stated an intention to remove the Notice and that he was therefore hopeful of its removal (but this was not guaranteed). The Chief Fire Officer explained the need for the FBU to define the legal basis for issuing the Notice and that he was looking to hold workshops with the FBU to define, discuss and resolve the issues internally.</p> <p>Discussion of any ongoing internal industrial relations matter should not be held at Panel and/or in the public domain since it has the potential to undermine the Industrial Relations Protocol between the Service and representative bodies.</p>
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Prevention: our evolved structure

APPENDIX B

- New Post ★
- Expanded Post ☆
- Temporary Post ★
- Vacant Post ■
- Fire Fighter ■
- Non Fire Fighter ■



Protection: Our New Structure with Operational & Non Operational Pathways

- New Post ★
- Temporary Post ★
- Vacant Post
- Fire Fighter
- Non-Fire Fighter

