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West Midlands Office for Policing and Crime and West Midlands Police Neighbourhood Watch Action Plan

Action	Owner	Timescale	Additional Information and Progress Updates
[1] Develop a consistent and effective relationship between local schemes, the National Home Watch Network and West Midlands Police			
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Establish Neighbourhood Watch and Street Watch delivery group within WMP	West Midlands Police	Completed April 2014	Delivery Group within the Force has been established with Officer representation from each LPU.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Raise awareness of the Neighbourhood Watch Network structure within West Midlands Police	West Midlands Police	Completed April 2014	Delivery Group has been meeting to establish the structure within the force area
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Re-affirm the steering relationship of Partnership and Engagement Officers to co-ordinators of Neighbourhood Watch groups	West Midlands Police	Completed May 2014	LPU Single points of contact have been shared. There is also a County representative and a Deputy

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Re-affirm the tactical relationship between co-ordinators and neighbourhood teams, including timely and consistent sharing of information 	West Midlands Police	Completed May 2014	Information will be shared with coordinators on an anonymised basis with a consistent approach to data sharing http://www.ourwatch.org.uk/uploads/general/AC_PO_guidance_on_information_sharing_2008.pdf
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Refresh lists of co-ordinators, map them and identify cold-spots 	West Midlands Police	Completed April 2014	Mapping exercise undertaken
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Each LPU to keep a register of all recognised NW coordinators 	West Midlands Police	July 2014	Mapping exercise undertaken
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recruit further neighbourhood watch schemes on each LPU 	West Midlands Police – Local neighbourhood teams and NW	November 2014	There will be a mix of targeted recruitment following the mapping process, with the LPU SPOCs supporting local existing schemes. Areas were involved in activities during National Neighbourhood Watch Week June 18th-22 nd June.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understand which schemes are on priority areas 	West Midlands Police	Completed May 2014	A mapping exercise has taken place to identify schemes on priority areas and look at where there are gaps in priority areas to be targeted and coordinators to be recruited.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> LPUs to identify lead co-ordinators who could come together to problem-solve on a county basis. Raise awareness of them 	WMP	Completed May 2014	Coordinators have been identified on each LPU

locally			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The lead co-ordinators to identify a West Midlands County amongst them to maintain relationship with the centre 	NW	Completed April 2014	Stephen Trefor-Jones is the County representative and Mark Jastrzebski is the Deputy
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirm collective awareness of regional lead, partnership and engagement officers and lead co-ordinators for each area 	WMP LPU/NW	July 2014	Information on single points of contact to be shared with scheme coordinators on each LPU
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WMP, NW and SW to understand age profile and other demographics of existing schemes 	NW LPU/WMP	November 2014	Gaps in representation to be identified and targeted, especially on priority areas where there are BME or emerging communities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WMP, NW and SW to work together to confirm local awareness of other co-ordinators both existing and subsequent schemes 	NW/ WMP/ SW	July 2014	Sharing of information of coordinators – request for coordinators to know what other schemes are in their areas
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WMP NW to identify processes to manage communications, sharing best practice and problem solve 	WMP LPGGB NW	September 2014	WMP will work with the County representatives to share best practice and problem solve. The links below can help coordinators to find out what is happening in their areas and problem solve
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WMP to succession plan transition in neighbourhood teams 	WMP/PCC and NW to plan recruitment and publicity activities	September 2014	Raise the profile of NHW to increase the number of coordinators and schemes on each LPU

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WMP to agree current standard forms and guidance for registration 	WMP – Local Policing Governance Board	September 2014	Introduce standardised forms for registration of schemes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WMP NW to identify a recruitment plan for youth watch – in consultation with PCC Youth Commissioners 	NW/WMP supported by PCC	November 2014	Youth schemes to be developed in consultation with the Youth Commissioners
[2] Define the WMP engagement strategy			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Define strategy - subject to consultation 	WMP	October 2014	Engagement strategy to be developed which highlights the way in which the Force will engage with NHW and other groups of volunteers in policing
[3] Delivery			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivery plan subject to approval by Police and Crime Commissioner and ACC Local Policing 	Office of the PCC and WMP	July 2014	The Action Plan will go to the July meeting of the Strategic Policing and Crime Board for comment. It will then be shared with all attendees at the NHW Summit held in November. Comments can be incorporated through the coordinator representatives group.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WMP to identify a strategic lead 	WMP	Completed June 2014	ACC (Local Policing) delegated silver lead – Supt Bas Javid

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> OPCC to identify strategic leads 	Office of the PCC	Completed April 2014	Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner Yvonne Mosquito Policy Manager, Alethea Fuller as officer lead
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NHWN to provide peer support and training to new and current schemes 	Neighbourhood and Home Watch Network – Sundeeep Gill	November 2014	Support NW associations, and grassroots groups to build on their activities, by helping them to develop within wider community events.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WMP NW to provide mentoring to local schemes 	NW	November 2014	NHW schemes to provide support to each other
[4] Citizens in Policing – Volunteering in Policing Summit to be held Autumn 2014			
Police and Crime Commissioner to hold a Volunteering in Policing Summit as a follow up to the Neighbourhood Watch Summit to look at the wider volunteering in policing agenda	Office of the PCC	November 2014	This Summit will broaden the thinking around the use of enthusiastic and skilled citizens in volunteer roles that add value to policing, as well as developing links with groups in the voluntary sector who can contribute towards policing objectives.