**Stop and Search Scrutiny panel**

**Location:** Virtual

**Date and Time:** 26th May 2021

**In Attendance**: (Alex French (AF) Chair) Natalie Cox (PCC Office NC), Simon Graham (WMP Inspector SG), Zulekha Ali (ZA), Tina Bickley (TB), Delroy Madden (DM)

**Apologies: Mr Ali**

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|  | **Item Discussed** | **Actions** |
| 1. | Welcome and introduction  Minutes of the last meeting, update on any actions taken from last meeting | This is the first meeting since before lockdown in March 2020 and many attendees are new to this panel. SG gave an overview of how the panel is run including what is included on the presentation as directed by WMP. Also updated panel on new Body Worn Video being issued to staff in the coming months.One aspect of the new equipment is an ability for a supervisor to remote view an officers BWV live. TB asked if the officer would know their camera was being remotely viewed. SG took this question as an action. |
| 2. | UPDATE on stop and search data from Inspector Graham | SG had prepared a slide show for data covering the last 6 months (Nov 20-Apr 21). AF queried why ethnicity had not been recorded on some use of force records. SG recorded this as an action.  AF also asked whether gender could be included on the next presentation for stop search and use of force. Action for SG. |
| 3. | Dip sample of stop and search   1. SSBE-YQ-130501. Search of MY by PC 22784. 16th March at 1608hrs. No log. 14 minutes duration. 2. SSBE-6M-132215. Search of MS by PC 22843. 6th April at 1951hrs. Log 3993/6/4/21. 9 minutes duration. 3. SSBE-LA-133792. Search of ZR by PC21195. 26th April at 2101hrs. No log. 17 minutes duration. 4. SSBE-8J-133776. Search of MZ by PC 24484. 26th April at 1430hrs. Log 2432/26/4/21. 15 minutes duration.   S16/3/21 at 16 | 1. Not viewed 2. Chosen by DM. Vehicle stopped containing two males who had been acting suspiciously and officers could smell drugs when vehicle stopped.Panel members were happy with the officers conduct and attitude towards the person searched. They were happy with the esearch form with grounds and outcome. 3. Not viewed 4. Chosen by AF. This search was intelligence led due to a planned disorder. Search was conducted professionally and led to the arrest of the person who had a hammer in their bag. A question was asked about the time lag between the incident and completing the esearch record. |
| 4. | Dip sample of Use of Force records   1. Log 1602/3/4/21. PC 23642. 6 minutes long 2. Log 3648/7/3/21. PC 21905. 30 minutes long. 3. Log 2502/18/4/21. PC 23621. 10 minutes long. 4. Log 3011/27/3/21. PC 22630. 30 minutes long. | 1. Chosen by ZA. This was a male at hospital who had been arrested and needed treatment but was showing aggression to staff. Very minimal use of force by officers who just controlled the subjects arms whilst handcuffed but recorded correctly as force was used. Panel had no issues with the conduct of officers. 2. Chosen by DM. This was a firearms incident where officers had information occupants of vehicle had been involved in an incident in another part of the country. Armed officers sighted vehicle and with authorities had used force to remove occupant from vehicle at gun point. Panel felt the incident was dealt with well by officers. Action was to establish what happened to the male. 3. Not viewed 4. Not viewed |
| 5. | Action noted from discussions for update at next panel | 1. Are officers aware when a supervisor is live remote viewing their BWV 2. Query why ethnicity had not been recorded on some use of force records from the presentation provided. 3. Can gender be included on the next presentation for stop search and use of force. 4. Outcome of the Firearms incident in the use of force section. 5. Why is the time stamp different on the footage from the body worn camera to that recorded on the esearch form? |
| 6. | Date and location of next panel | Proposed 21st July 2021 at 6pm.  Meeting can possibly be held at the police station but to be decided nearer the time depending on lockdown rules. |