**Stop & Search/ Use of Force Meeting**

**Notes of meeting held on Tuesday 20th September 2022**

**Chairperson:**

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| Gloria Smith (GS) |

**Present:**

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| Sergeant Sarah Smyth (SS) |
| Kal Khan (KK) |
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| Natalia Lipiec (NL) |
| Leannah Dacres (LD) |
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**Apologies:**

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| Chester Morrison (CM) |

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| **1)****SS – A**  | **Opening Remarks | Overview of Crime:*** SS Goes through actions from previous meeting.
* **SS Action - address attendees on the panel and update the list of active members.**
* SS presents the overview of crime presentation, explaining graphs and categories.
* Documents from positive outcomes rate on stop and search can be retrieved from crime and commission data.

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| **2)****SS – A****SS – A****SS – A** | **Stop and Search Overview:*** Technical error on "meets the required standard" on PowerPoint.
* Body worn video recorded statistic lower than in previous meeting.
* Action - check if cameras should be worn all the time including when undercover.
* Search mapping – S&S mainly around the city centre and 64.6% resulted in NFA.
* Comparing knife find rate to the last meeting (18.6% currently compared to 76%).
* **SS Action – show statistics from the previous meeting so that comparisons can be made.**
* Disproportionality for black people has gone down from 3.1 to 1.9.
* Body worn footage for young people is lower than peoples’ expectations as it was less than 90%.
* **SS Action – does eastern European class as white? What type of white is “white”?**
* Selections are made from the list of stop and search documents, group is happy with what they’re shown.
* **SS Action – show a blank copy of a S&S record next meeting for a greater insight into various options available when being filled out.**
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| **3)****SS – A**  | **Use of Force Overview:*** SS introduces the PowerPoint.
* Increase in taser tactics and fired (currently 26 taser tactics used and 4 fired compared to the previous meeting where there were taser tactics were used only 3 times and fired once).
* **SS Action – to find out if there is a particular reason behind this increase.**
* Review of S&S Body Worn Video:
	+ Concerns over the safety of the officers (not asking the suspect to disclose any sharp items they may have such as needles and not wearing gloves).
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| **i** | **Actions coming from meeting:*** **SS (A)** **to address attendees on the panel and update the list of active members.**
* **SS (A)** **to** **show statistics from the previous meeting so that comparisons can be made.**
* **SS (A) to find out if eastern European classes as white? To find out what type of white is “white”.**
* **SS (A) to find out if there is a particular reason behind this increase.**
* **SS (A) to monitor the spread of community tensions to the West Midlands.**
* **SS (A) to gather information or statistics regarding referrals to the DIVERT Programme.**
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| **6)****SS – A** **SS – A**  | **Any other business:*** SVRO – Update will be given to CM.
* KK highlighted concerns over the community tensions in Leicester such as the incident at the cricket match and community questions over police response.
* **SS Action – to monitor the spread of community tensions to the West Midlands**
* **SS Action – to gather information or statistics regarding referrals to the DIVERT Programme. How successful are they?**
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| **7)** | **Closing remarks*** Closing thanks from Sergeant Smyth and the Chair. Actions for the next meeting were discussed and all members thanked for the continued support and participation within the group.
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