



Questions from the Board on Matters not on the Agenda

1. Can the Chief Constable comment upon staffing levels with Force Forensics? In particular is Forensics fully staffed to the extent it is able to provide an effective service? If there are staff shortages, what are the reasons for this? Is adequate funding available to ensure effective forensics staffing?

(To be asked by Bhupinder Gakhal)

2. What were the levels of vehicle crime, in particular theft of vehicle, during the Christmas and New Year period? How does the Christmas holiday period impact upon such crime levels?

(To be asked by Bhupinder Gakhal)

3. What are the evaluation results for the WMP DA desk? What are the future plans for the desk?

(To be asked by Dr Cath Hannon)

4. Through Operation Soteria new National Operating Models have been developed to transform rape investigations>

- what difference has Operation Soteria made for rape victims within the West Midlands?
- Are there sufficiently trained officers to respond to critical rape incidents and those not reported recently?
- What are the time scales to train staff to compile with Operation Soteria recommendations?
- How has the Rape Victim Impact Assessment (RVIA) tool been embedded?

(To be asked by Dr Cath Hannon)