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Police to Outline End of Year Report at Next Public Meeting

Would you like to see an improved Police Service in you area?

Do you have any ideas about how this could be achieved?

Do you have any questions you would like to ask the Police District Commander?

If you answer yes to any of these questions then why not come to the next meeting of Cookstown District Policing Partnership in public which will be taking place on Thursday 22 June at 7pm in the Hanover House, Coagh.

The newly appointed DPP Chairman Cllr McCrea said, "Partnership meetings in public are only one aspect of our work which enable us to do our business in the most transparent and open manner possible".

All members of the public are invited to attend to hear the local PSNI District Commander deliver his 05/06 end of year policing report for the district. This report will detail how his officers have undertaken their duties and the impact this has had on crime within the district

Cllr McCrea, said, “it is an important aspect of the Partnerships role to ensure the Police Service is delivering a service which is appropriate for the needs of the local community. This can only be achieved by ensuring local accountability in policing, with the DPP persistently monitoring and influencing district policing priorities”.

The local District Policing Partnership is made up of councillors nominated from Cookstown District Council and independent members’ appointed by the Northern Ireland Policing Board.

Cllr McCrea added, “with senior police officers now required to attend our meetings in public, a mechanism has been set in place for the community to take part in shaping and having a say in how they are policed”.

There will also be an opportunity for members of the public to highlight crime problems affecting their community during the meeting, and an officer from the Coagh & Moneymore Neighbourhood Policing Team will be in attendance to give an overview of their work within the area providing everyone with an opportunity to find out more about the policing and occurrence of crime in the area.

Ends.

For further information please contact

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Note to the Editor

1. Members of Cookstown DPP:

Cllr Mary Baker
Mrs Elizabeth Baxter
Cllr Peter Cassidy
Mr Eoin Doyle (Vice-Chairman)
Cllr Samuel Glasgow
Mr Paddy Mellon
Cllr Ian McCrea (Chairman)

Mrs Ursula Marshall
Mrs Alision Scott-McKinley
Cllr Samuel McCartney
Mrs Ita Pickering
Cllr Tony Quinn
Cllr James McGarvey
Cllr Trevor Wilson

Mr Phonsie Eastwood

3. Functions of Cookstown DPP

Cookstown DPP is a partnership between Cookstown District Council and representatives of the local community, and has been established to:

1. Consult with the community to help establish local policing priorities
2. Monitor the performance of the police against local policing plans
3. Act as a forum for discussion on matters affecting the policing of the district
4. Gain the co-operation of the public in preventing crime