Police Scotland ward update noted.

3 There was heard a report by Sergeant Chris Daly, Police Scotland, advising the Partnership that

(1) the new Divisional Commander, Chief Supt Lynn Ratcliff, was now in post;

(2) Police Scotland had publicly announced plans to close several of its properties across Scotland and although 8 properties were in the Greater Glasgow Area, none of them were in the Newlands/Auldburn area.

(3) the new Hate Crime legislation, https://www.scotland.police.uk/hate was implemented on the 1st April 2024, with all Police officers having been trained on how to deal with any complaints;

(4) the funding allocation for 2024-25 allowed Police Scotland to restart police officer recruitment and as a result, at the end of March 2024 around 200 new recruits had been welcomed into Police Scotland and would be allocated to divisions across the country;

(5) fortnightly housing meetings at Pollok Police office had been reintroduced, which gave an opportunity to strengthen its collaborative approach and information sharing;

(6) a divisional investigation was currently running in relation to fraud, whereby suspects were phoning victims purporting to be police officers, with a structured response having been put in place by CID to investigate any recorded incidents; and

(7) Newlands/Auldburn division had received 1314 calls with incidents that involved noise, public nuisance, domestic abuse and thefts from the 1st February to 11th April 2024.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the report; and

(b) raised a number of concerns and questions that were addressed by Sergeant Chris Daly.