

COSLA Scrutiny Conveners' Forum – Update noted.

3 The partnership heard and noted a verbal update by the Chair regarding the the COSLA Scrutiny Conveners' Forum, advising of

- (1) an update provided by the SPA Chair and Police Scotland regarding upcoming budget decisions, the growing threat that serious and organised crime posed in Scotland and the new Chief Constable's focus on frontline services;
- (2) the implications of the 2023/24 budget on service delivery;
- (3) an overview of Police Scotland's Local Policing Service Delivery Review and highlighted the key drivers as an increased demand on policing and the constant and evolving nature of crime and enhancing community confidence;
- (4) an update on the progress of the Modernised Contact and Engagement Programme that comprised a series of technical projects that included the enhancement of direct crime recording, delivery of the Mental Health Pathway and the THRIVE model;
- (5) an update in relation to the progress of the Public Progress Development Programme (PPDP) and that the PPDP team had been fully established in February 2022 with the initial task of determining Police Scotland's current response to Public Protection; and
- (6) an update on the progress and direction of the Police Scotland Policing Together Strategy launched in September 2022 that sought to set out a clear strategic direction for the equality, diversity and inclusion ambition of Police Scotland.