

## Summary of requirements re crime & disorder scrutiny

1. The Council's constitution has established this Committee as the Council's Crime & Disorder Committee as required by the Police & Justice Act 2006. This Act enables the Committee to review or scrutinise decisions made or actions taken, in connection with the discharge of crime and disorder functions, by Responsible Authorities external to the Council but operating within the County Borough.
2. The role of crime and disorder scrutiny is **to scrutinise the Partnership as a whole and the partners who comprise it insofar as their activities relate to the Partnership itself**, as opposed to scrutinising the individual work of each responsible authority.
3. The Welsh Government Guidance on Crime and Disorder Scrutiny has been previously circulated to Members of this Committee; Members' attention is drawn to the following sections in particular:
  - a. 1.4 - defines the role of the responsible authorities
  - b. 3.3 - the role of the Crime & Disorder Committee.
4. The legislation requires that the reports and recommendations following crime and disorder scrutiny be sent to the local authority Cabinet and to all community safety partners. The WAG guidance states that:

*'in practice, the nature of the committee and its work should mean that recommendations will be directly for responsible partners as well.'*<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Welsh Assembly Guidance - page 20