

Meetings between the PCC + CC

10th October 2013 – PCC, DPCC, OPCC CEO, CC, DCC, ACO McCardle, Treasurer, DLS, Force Solicitor.

- 1 The PCC outlined to the CC and her team the current arrangements between her office and Gateshead Council Support Services Agreement.

A discussion followed to consider options for 2014/15 when the current agreement came to an end and new staffing arrangements for the PCC's Office would be required.

- 2 HMIC Debrief – Domestic Violence, the Police Response

The lead officer for HMIC provided a hot debrief to the PCC and CC following an inspection into how Northumbria Police respond to Domestic Abuse conducted in the preceding week

The feedback was positive and included; a good understanding of vulnerability, good prioritisation of incidents, good understanding and oversight by supervision and good use of safety plans by officers for victims.

There was some concern over the increasing number of high risk victims and the capacity of Crime Department to investigate them and that perpetrator programmes were limited, though by comparison this is a national issue.

A full report would be published in 2014.