



Strategic Policing and Crime Board

28th February 2023

Questions from the Board on Matters not on the Agenda

1. What is the role and current powers for West Midlands PCSO's ? How might the Chief Constable consider enhancing their role?

(To be asked by Cath Hannon)

2. Sexual predators David Carrick and Wayne Couzins operated freely as officers of the Metropolitan Police victimising staff and the public. With this in mind:

How many West Midlands police officers or staff are currently charged and awaiting court hearings?

What are the offences and time scales for hearings?

Given the time delays in the criminal justice system how are victims and witnesses being supported?

(To be asked by Cath Hannon)

3. What would the Chief Constable say to encourage people to be upstanders not bystanders?" what does upstander mean and how can this be done with out triggering negative repercussions?

(To be asked by Charmaine Burton)

4. Can the Chief Constable please outline the performance of the 101 telephone service and explain what he plans to do to improve it?

(To be asked by Bhupinder Gakhal)

5. We've consistently warned that the cost of living crisis risks fuelling crime and exploitation. Does the Chief believe that the recent rise in violence crime in the West Midlands will be partly linked to growing poverty?

(To be asked by Tom McNeil)