

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
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8. Update on Policing Model

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Kent Police New Model

SEVENOAKS DISTRICT

What the restructure means for Sevenoaks

- Current Organisation
- After 24th June
- Deployment



Reason for the Re-Organisation

- More Officers on the Streets
- Ensuring visible, community policing
- Most effective use of available resources
- To ensure compliance with the Police and Crime Plan (1 April 2013 - 31 March 2017)



What is the Police & Crime Plan?

The Police and Crime Commissioner is obliged to publish a Police and Crime Plan by law. It is a four-year strategy for Kent Police that outlines what priorities for policing and crime and disorder reduction they will be focussing on. Why do we need a Police & Crime Plan? The Plan allows the public to see what Kent Police will be doing to cut and prevent crime in Kent. The Commissioner uses the Police and Crime Plan to hold the Police to account – like a ‘checklist’ – to make sure the agreed priorities are being addressed. In turn, the Police and Crime Plan is an open and transparent way for the public to hold their Police and Crime Commissioner to account.

Police and Crime Plan

The re-organisation which affects Sevenoaks District is in line with the Crime Commissioners 4 year Plan

Main points of the plan:-

Cut crime and catch criminals (including anti-social behaviour)

Ensure visible community policing is at the heart of policing in Kent

Prevent crime, anti-social behaviour and reduce repeat victimisation & offending

Put victims & witnesses at the heart of processes

Protect the public from serious harm

Deliver value for money

Meet national commitments for policing



Kent Police Values

- We will put the public first and deliver a service to be proud of.
- We will serve with integrity and professionalism.
- We will treat everyone with fairness, respect and dignity.
- We will be innovative, use resources wisely and operate as one team
- We will act with humility, compassion and courtesy.
- We will listen, learn and strive to improve.

Policing Priorities (1)

Quality of life

1. Use technology to identify crime trends
2. Focus on crime that causes the greatest harm
3. Tackle the supply and demand for illegal drugs
4. Support safer socialising to prevent night-time economy-related crime
5. Educate young people to divert them from crime and anti-social behaviour

Policing Priorities (2)

Working with Partners

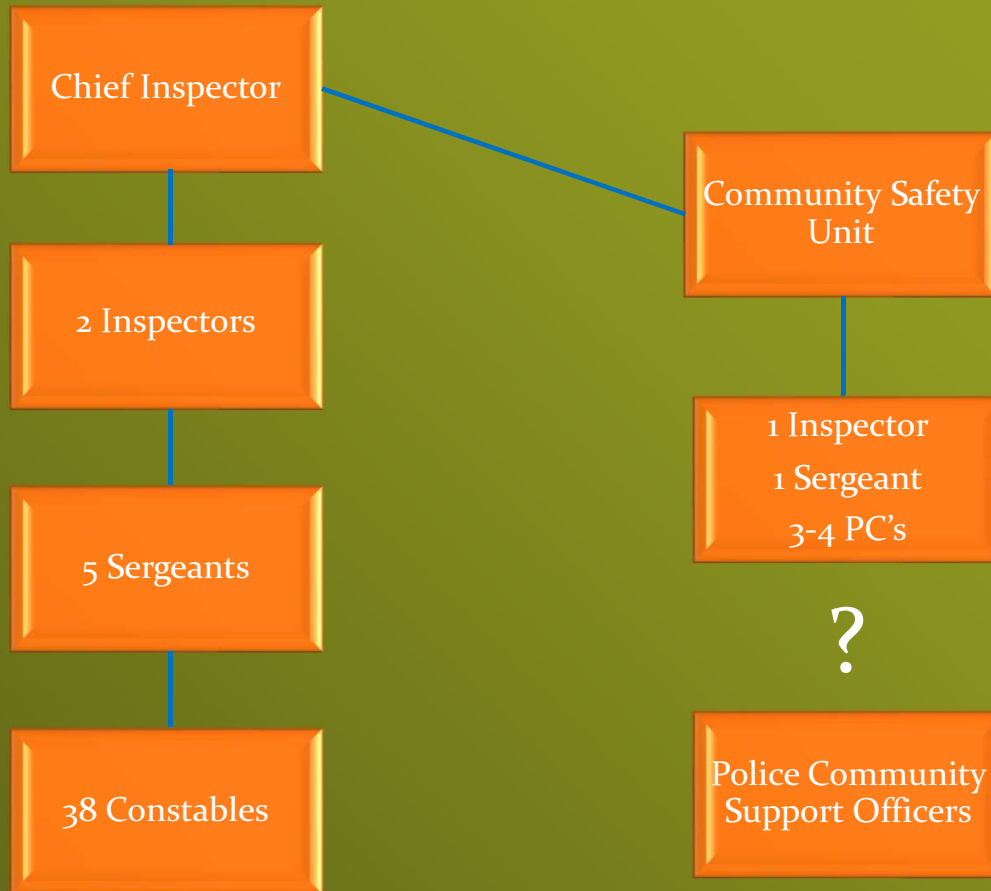
1. Work closely with Community Safety Partnerships and other agencies
2. Prevent, identify and manage repeat victims of offending and victimisation
3. Support community work so it gets to the heart of improving health issues
4. Provide information on how to avoid becoming a victim of crime
5. Develop more positive activities for young people within communities

Policing Priorities (3)

Wellbeing of Communities

1. Disrupt and dismantle serious and organised crime groups
2. Prevent extremism and radicalisation; road safety and domestic abuse
3. Encourage better awareness, reporting and investigation of hate crime
4. Safeguard children and protect vulnerable adults
5. Bring offenders of serious violent crime and sexual offences to justice

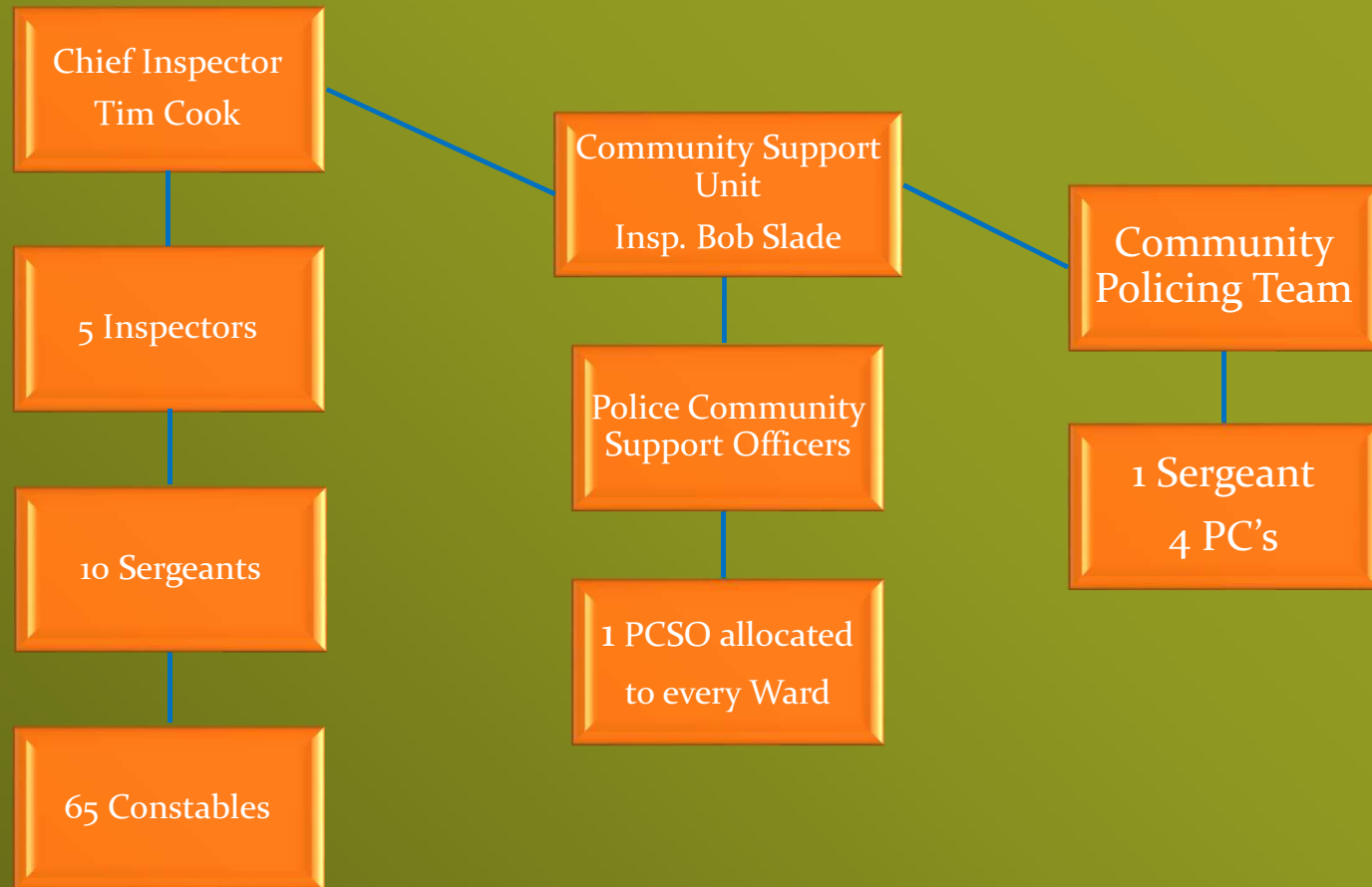
Sevenoaks Division - Current Manpower



Current Situation Regarding PCSO's

- Resources are low and they have had to be taken away to do other duties and have had to balance priorities
- Currently do not always engage with the right people
- Various officers can direct their day to day duties

Sevenoaks Division – After 24th June (working 24/7)



PCSO's Chain of Command

- All PCSO's will be directly responsible to the Community Support Inspector
- Community Support Inspector will direct all the PCSO's across the Wards in Sevenoaks
- Now there will be no ambiguity, PCSO's will not get different directions from different Inspectors or Sergeants.
- Aim is to have a PCSO in every one of the 26 Sevenoaks Wards

Community Policing Team Responsibilities

- Specific Problems
- Local team does not have the opportunity to deal
- PCSO does not have the powers to deal with the problem



Response to call for assistance 999 calls

- Urgent Assistance required



Serious Crime
Crimes in progress
Suspects on Premises
Life in Danger Etc.

Force Communications
Centre Maidstone
5000 calls a day
700 are 999 calls

Response to call for assistance 101 calls

- Report crime that has already happened and other incidents or concerns that do not require an emergency response.
- If your car has been stolen
- If property has been damaged
- If you suspect drug use or dealing
- To report a minor traffic collision
- To report any other incident that doesn't require an immediate response
- To give police information about crime or criminals in your local area
- You can also call **101** if you simply want to talk to your local police officer or a member of police staff - you will be connected to the relevant person via the switchboard.

