

**STAFFORDSHIRE POLICE FIRE AND CRIME PANEL – 6
February 2023**

**NATIONAL CONFERENCE FOR POLICE, FIRE AND CRIME
PANELS and NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF POLICE FIRE AND
CRIME PANELS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - 11 NOVEMBER
2022**

1. Report of the Secretary

Your Chairman, Councillor Peters, Vice-Chairman, Councillor Cox and Support Officer Mandy Pattinson, attended the National Conference for Police, Fire and Crime Panels hosted by Warwick University on 11 November 2022.

Councillor Cox attended in person and Councillor Peters and Mandy Pattinson attended online. This was the 11th National Conference organised by Frontline Consulting. Representatives of most Panels in England and Wales attend this event as it is recognised as a valuable opportunity to update on the national picture for Panels.

2. National Conference – 11 November 2022.

The event had a number of keynote speakers and a question and answer session during the morning and a selection of themed workshops during the afternoon.

Morning session - Changing Culture. Moving things forward

Chaired by Vicky Newbury, Chair, Derbyshire Police and Crime Panel

3.1 Keynote Speech's from:

- a) Dr Sarah Charman, Professor of Criminology at University of Portsmouth and Editor-in-Chief, International Journal of Law, Crime and Justice.

Dr Charmans research has centred on Police identity and identification formation both individual and group identity.

[Sarah Charman – Research outputs — University of Portsmouth](#)

- b) Chris Excell, exChair, Black Police Association at Metropolitan Police (2021-2022) & Police Inspector at Metropolitan Police.

Mr Excells experiences as a police officer particularly culture and change.

- c) Sal Naseem, Regional Director for London, Independent Office for Police Conduct (IOPC).

Mr Naseems experiences in the IOPC and views on changing attitudes.

PM - Workshops attended

1. Being a critical friend. Joining the dots.

Facilitated by Jim Haylett, Chief Executive, Cambridgeshire and Peterborough OPCC

Mr Hayletts experience of heading a Commissioners Office and support staff was discussed. Suggestions on a clear distinction between operational issues and the role of the Panel and how to ask questions on the Commissioners scrutiny of the Chief Constable, which could provide the panel with valuable information.

2. Measuring Panel Performance Facilitated by Colin Copus, Emeritus Professor of Local Politics, De Montfort University

Very general discussion on what individual panels considered and some of the stumbling blocks e.g. Councillors being appointed for a 1 year term, attendance, training, the line between operational issues and holding the Commissioner to account.

Councillors B Peters and R Cox and Mandy Pattinson