



**To: Safer and Stronger Renfrewshire Thematic Board**

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**Update on Scottish Government Review of Strategic Police Priorities**

**1. Summary**

- 1.1 At its meeting on 3 February the Thematic Board received a presentation by the Scottish Government regarding work on the pre-consultation phase of their Review of Strategic Police Priorities.
- 1.2 The initial pre-consultation stage centred around the question 'What are your priorities for your police service?' and was originally scheduled to run up to 12 February 2016, but was later extended to run up to 29 April 2016. The Scottish Government were keen to continue the consultation process to ensure they capture the full breadth of views and make sure that redrafted priorities take account of wider work around planning for police services in Scotland. The extension of the pre-consultation phase has delayed the start of the formal consultation phase, which will now take place during the summer.
- 1.3 As the Council and Community Planning Boards are in recess over the summer, the Scottish Government have been advised that the Council will not be in a position to approve and submit a formal response until the end of August 2016. A Renfrewshire response will be drafted during the summer in consultation with members of the Safer and Stronger Renfrewshire Thematic Board and submitted to the Housing and Community Safety Policy Board for approval on 23 August 2016. A copy of the full response will be brought back to the next meeting of the Safer and Stronger Renfrewshire Thematic Board for information.

**2. Recommendations**

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Board:
  - a) Notes the delay in progress of the Scottish Government's review of Strategic Police Priorities,
  - b) Requests a copy of the final response be brought back for the information of the Board at its meeting on 31 August 2016.

### 3. **Resources**

The Safer and Stronger Renfrewshire Action Plan identifies the resources requirements for each individual action.

### 4. **Prevention**

The Action Plan framework allows the Safer and Stronger Renfrewshire Thematic Board to plan resources and direct investment towards prevention and early intervention.

### 5. **Community Involvement/Engagement**

The Action Plan has been developed through the Safer and Stronger Renfrewshire Thematic Board and sub groups whereby the third sector is widely represented.