OFFICE OF POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR WEST YORKSHIRE

Record of decision made by the Police and Crime Commissioner

Title/Subject: Community remedy

Summary and recommendations: The community remedy, introduced by the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014, seeks to ensure that victims of certain types of crime or anti-social behaviour are given the opportunity to have a say in the out-of-court punishment of offenders. Out-of-court punishments allow the police to deal quickly and proportionately with low-level, often first-time offending which could more appropriately be resolved without a prosecution at court. The community remedy is a list of actions – many already in existence and currently used by several organisations – that the victim can ask for the offender to undertake in consequence of their behaviour or offending. The actions in the community remedy must be agreed by the Police and Crime Commissioner and Chief Constable following a period of public consultation.

It was recommended, following consultation with the public and discussions with Chief Officers at West Yorkshire Police, that the community remedy document (see supporting documentation) be agreed, and includes specific actions currently available and those that could potentially be developed throughout the year. It was also recommended that the remedy be published on the PCC website.

Police and Crime Commissioner decision

Agreement to the actions to be included as recommended, for the document to be published as presented, and for the remedy to be published on the PCC website.

Signature:

M. B. Willin

Title: Police and Crime Commissioner for West Yorkshire Date: 20 October 2014