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**Items tabled at meeting – Safer Stronger Communities Select Committee, 12 March 2019 - Item 9 – The impact of Prevent Strategy and Stop and Search Policy on community relations.**

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## **Safer Stronger Communities Select Committee – 12.3.19 – Item 9**

### **Possible themes for recommendations from the Chair and Vice-Chair**

#### **Stop and Search**

- The Community Monitoring Network – a recommendation around additional support or possible co-opted Councillor as well as officer support and increased publicity.
- The importance of young people knowing their rights for example distributing the MOPAC cards to schools and youth clubs. S.E.A.R.C.H cards and the videos being available.
- Working with schools/ youth groups to support increased dialogue between Police and young people. Supporting the Youth IAG and helping to raise profile. Police – community relations – more work in schools and with young people and starting from a younger age. (acknowledging the challenges in terms of budget)
- The importance of Police training and understanding the huge importance of the quality of the interaction for young people in particular.
- Acknowledging the disproportionality and concerns around the number of very young people being stopped.
- The stop and search complaints procedure should be looked at and the possibility of a process for a complaint being recorded at the time of search needs to be considered. Complaint statistics are challenging to find and their needs to be more transparency about the figures and trends.

#### **Prevent**

- Recommending the Mayor write to the Home Sec regarding the lack of availability of local data on referrals etc. and the importance of ensuring there are sufficient built-in scrutiny mechanism in which local areas can feed into the Prevent programme.
- Communicating the emphasis on the safeguarding aspect of Prevent to the community.
- Highlighting the work of KIKit and the importance of a community based referral pathway that allows issues to be dealt with by trusted individuals with the confidence of the community.

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