



Devon and Cornwall Police and Crime Panel

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DEVON AND CORNWALL POLICE AND CRIME PANEL EXTRAORDINARY MEETING

Friday 30 October 2015
10 am
Council House (Next to the Civic Centre), Plymouth

Members:

Councillor Croad (Devon County Council), Chair.
Councillor Batters (Cornwall Council), Vice-Chair.
Councillors Barker (Teignbridge District Council), Geoff Brown (Cornwall Council), Boundy (Torridge District Council), Philippa Davey (Plymouth City Council), Eddowes (Cornwall Council), Excell (Torbay Council), Mathews (North Devon District Council), Moulson (Isles of Scilly), Mrs Pengelly (Plymouth City Council), Saltern (South Hams District Council), Sanders (West Devon District Council), Mrs Squires (Mid Devon District Council), Sutton (Exeter City Council), Toms (Cornwall Council), Watson (Cornwall Council) and Wright (East Devon District Council).

Independent Members:

Yvonne Atkinson (Devon) and Sarah Rapson (Cornwall and Isles of Scilly).

Members are invited to attend the above meeting to consider the items of business overleaf.

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3. THE ESTATES STRATEGY FOR DEVON AND CORNWALL POLICE (Pages 1 - 10)

The Police and Crime Commissioner will present a report in respect of his plans for Estates Management over the next five years.

4. THE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER'S PROPOSALS FOR CONSULTING THE PUBLIC IN RESPECT OF A POTENTIAL INCREASE IN THE PRECEPT (Pages 11 - 34)

The Police and Crime Commissioner will present to the Panel the proposed consultative process with regard to a potential increase in the precept.



Estate Rationalisation Programme - Phase Two

2015 – 2021

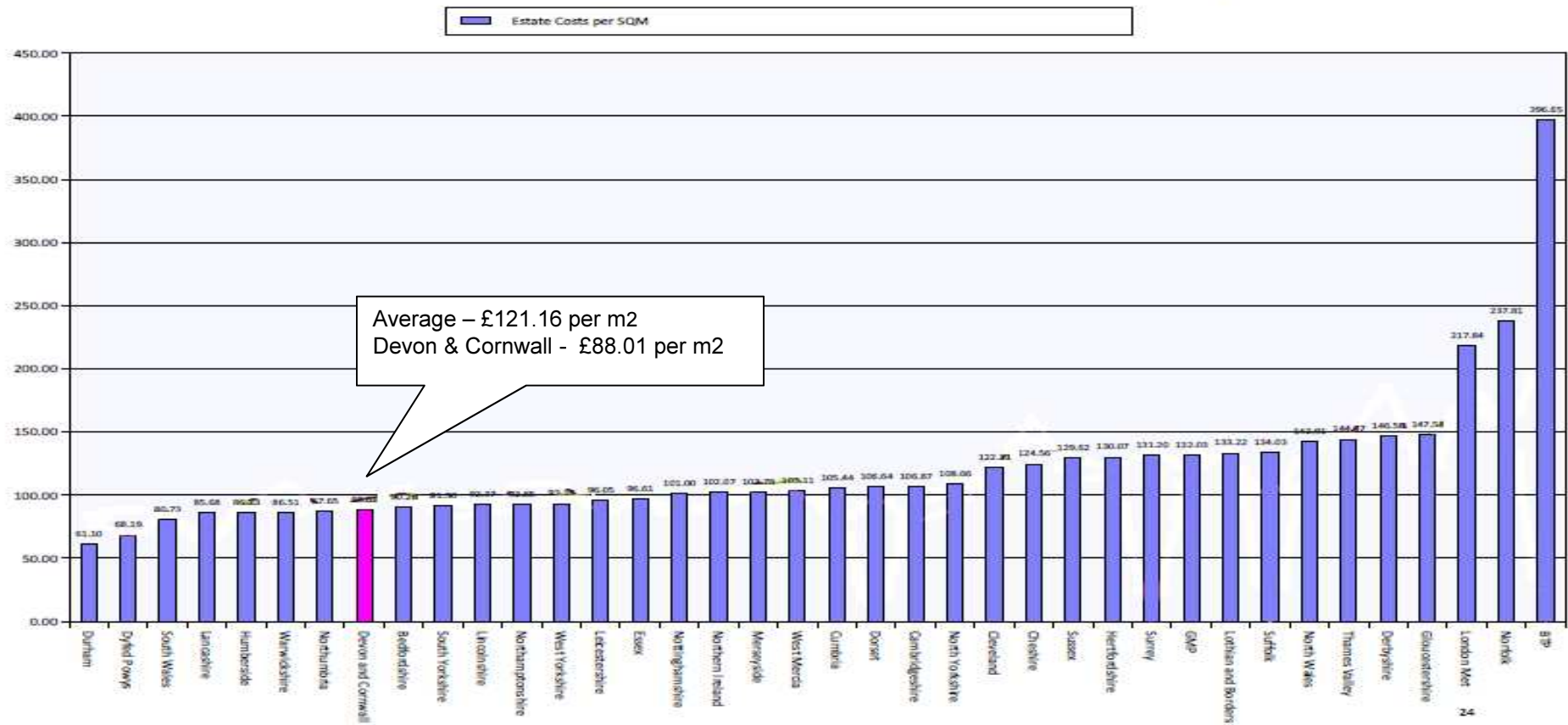
**Andrew White
Chief Executive Officer
OPCC**

Estate Statistics (as at 2015)

- Sites 103
- Buildings 131
- Total internal area (buildings) 110,000 m²
- Average Age of Buildings 45 years
- Backlog Maintenance £15million

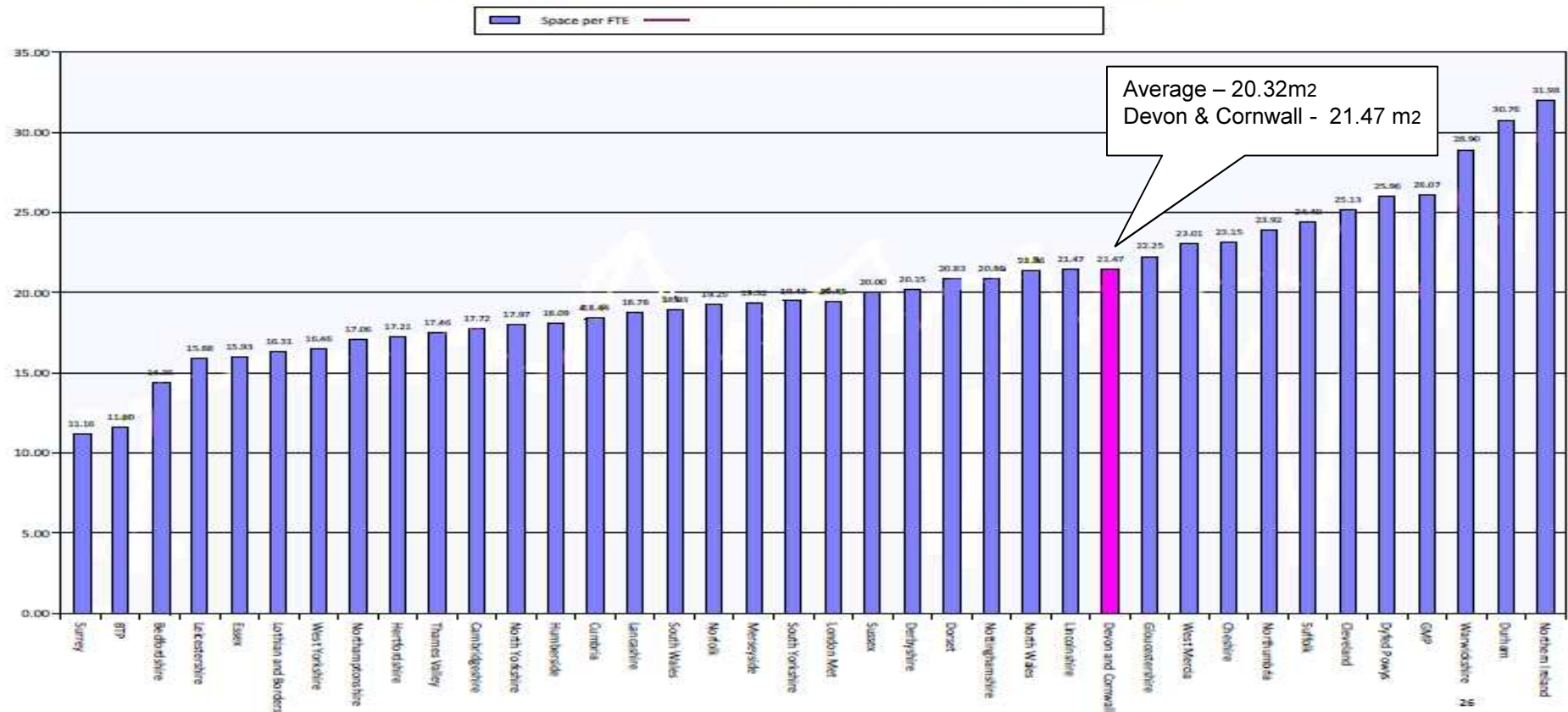
Benchmarking Statistics – Cost Data

2012 - 2013 - Inter Force Summary - Total Estate Costs per Square Metre of Force Total GIA



Benchmarking Statistics - Space Data

2012 - 2013 Inter Force Summary - Space Per Person - FTE (Force GIA divided by Full Time Equivalents)



Estates Activity 2011 – 2015

Building disposals	42
Replacement facilities	22
Space reduction by April 2015	7.8%
Running cost savings April 2015	£640k pa

Estate Strategy Objectives 2015 - 2021

1. To ensure that the police service estate is fit for purpose enabling operational policing to be delivered across the length and breadth of Cornwall, Devon and the Isles of Scilly.
2. To minimise the cost and footprint of the estate whilst ensuring that objective 1 is properly delivered.
3. To seek the maximum financial benefit from the disposal or re-use of any surplus estate.

Implementation of the 2015-2021 Strategy: A robust approach to rationalisation

- Strategic Sites replacement with smaller premises
- Neighbourhood Team Base
- Community Base (one room only)
- No Base / No Replacement

Implementation of the 2015-2021 Strategy: Rationalisation Targets

- Rationalise the estate across Devon and Cornwall and reduce the portfolio footprint by a minimum of 12% by 2021
- Reduce the running cost of the estate by a minimum of £0.9million by 2021
- Reduce the organisational carbon footprint by 15% by 2021

Implementation of the 2015-2021 Strategy: Continue to Focus on Partnering with Others

To provide a more efficient estate, in recent years we have progressed co-location partnership arrangements with:

- Plymouth, Devon and Cornwall Council
- Cornwall and Devon and Somerset Fire Service
- South West Ambulance Service and a number of NHS Trusts
- Numerous Town and Parish Councils
- A school, a Harbour Master's Office, Ports, Airports, a Shopping Centre and a Charity / Trust

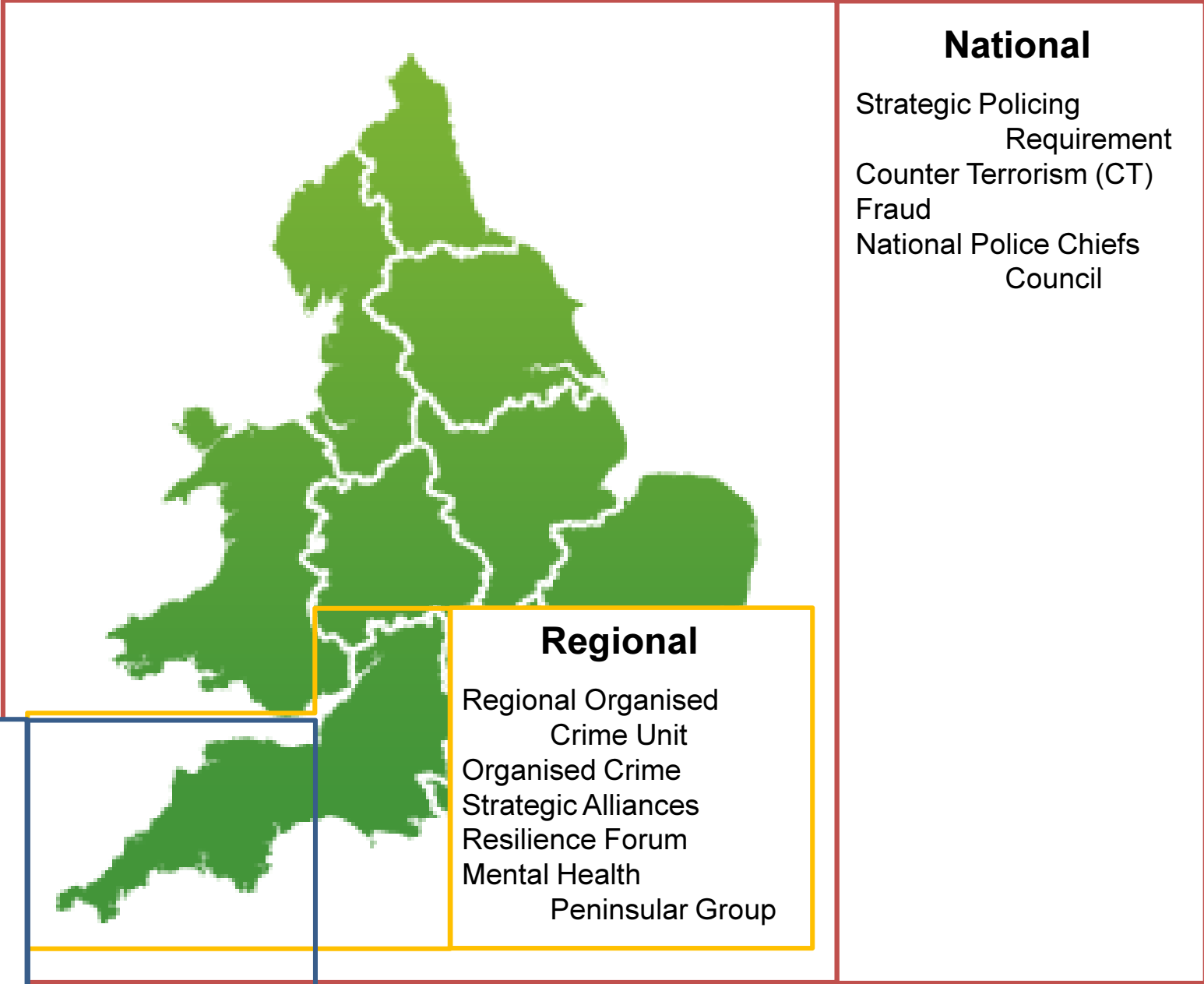
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Devon & Cornwall Police
Building safer communities together

Scoping the look and feel of Devon & Cornwall Police

Core Responsibilities



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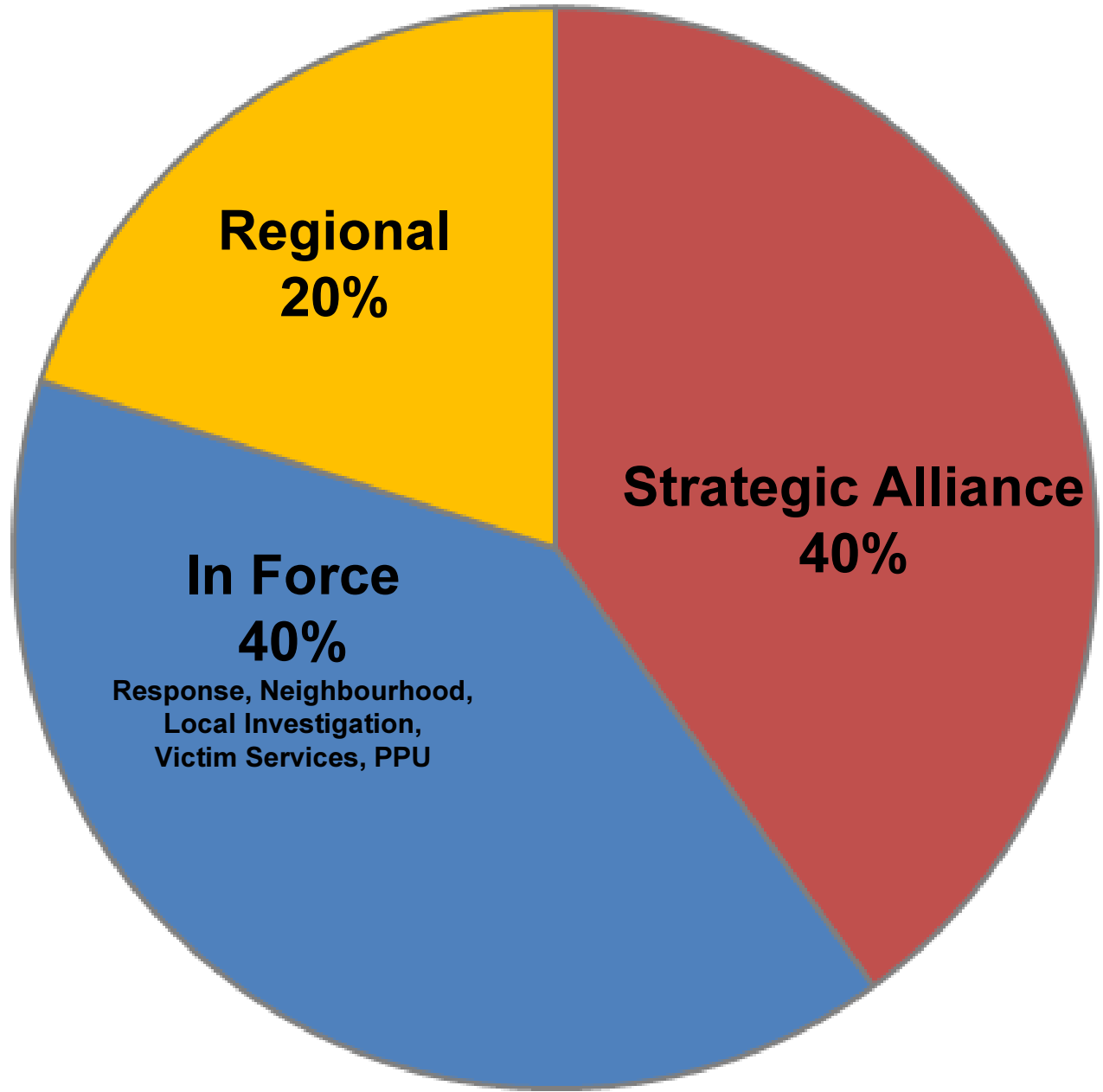
Strategic Policing Requirement
 Counter Terrorism (CT)
 Fraud
 National Police Chiefs Council

Regional

Regional Organised Crime Unit
 Organised Crime Strategic Alliances
 Resilience Forum
 Mental Health Peninsular Group

Force

Cyber
 CT Prevent
 Fraud Investigation
 Organised Crime Local Profiles
 Emerging Threats



Strategic Alliance Business Cases

Ops. Support
Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR)
Admin Services
Transport
Integrated Offender Management (IOM)
Prevention Department
Dogs
Firearms Licensing
Finance
Information Management (Phase 1)
Professional Standards
Resource Management
Firearms/Armed Response Vehicles
Roads Policing
Operational Planning
Audit Insurance and Strategic Risk Management
Information Management (IM) (Phase 2)
Intelligence
Call Handling/Command and Control

Information Communication Technology (ICT)
People Services
Criminal Justice and Custody
Force Support Group (FSG)/Emergency
Planning Team (EPT)
Business Change
Corporate Development
Corporate Communications
Estates and Building Services
IM (Phase 3)
Major Crime

In addition, five more business cases for
March 2016.



Mission Statement

We detect and prevent harm; protect the vulnerable and reduce crime

We work together as one team to safeguard communities and neighbourhoods

We are sustainable and resilient and provide a high quality service to the public

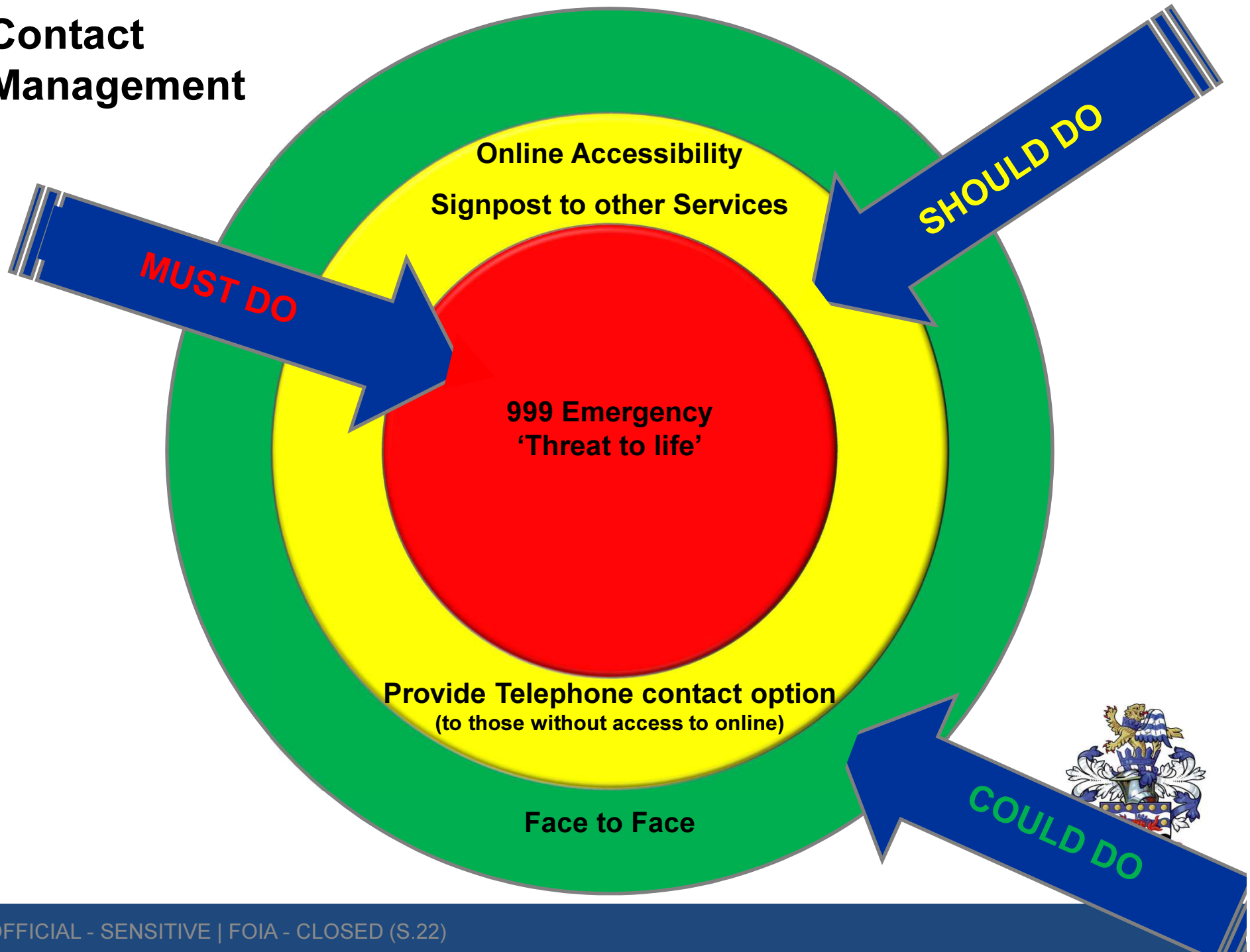
We act in accordance with the national Code of Ethics and our Force standards of behaviour



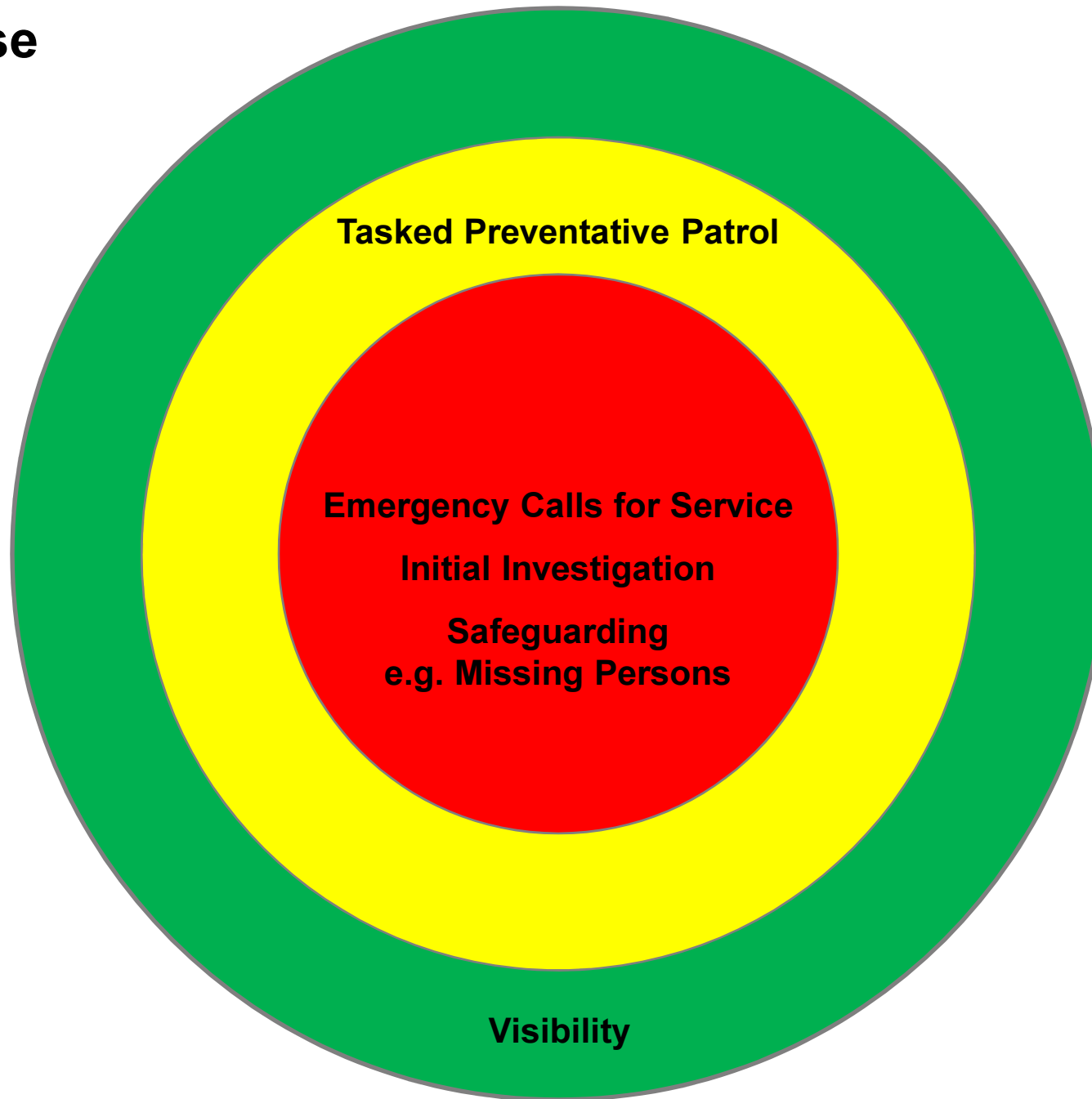
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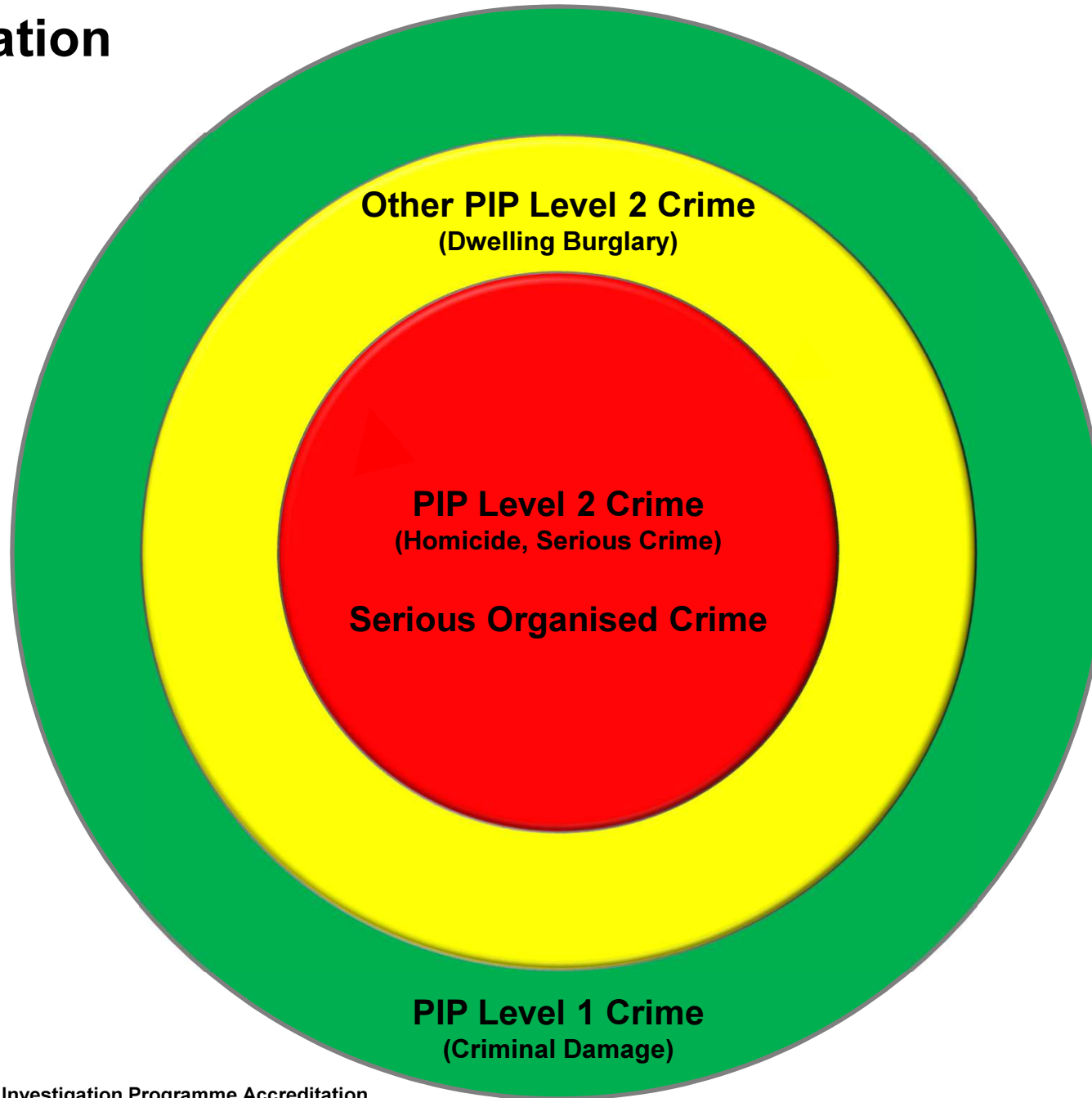
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Response



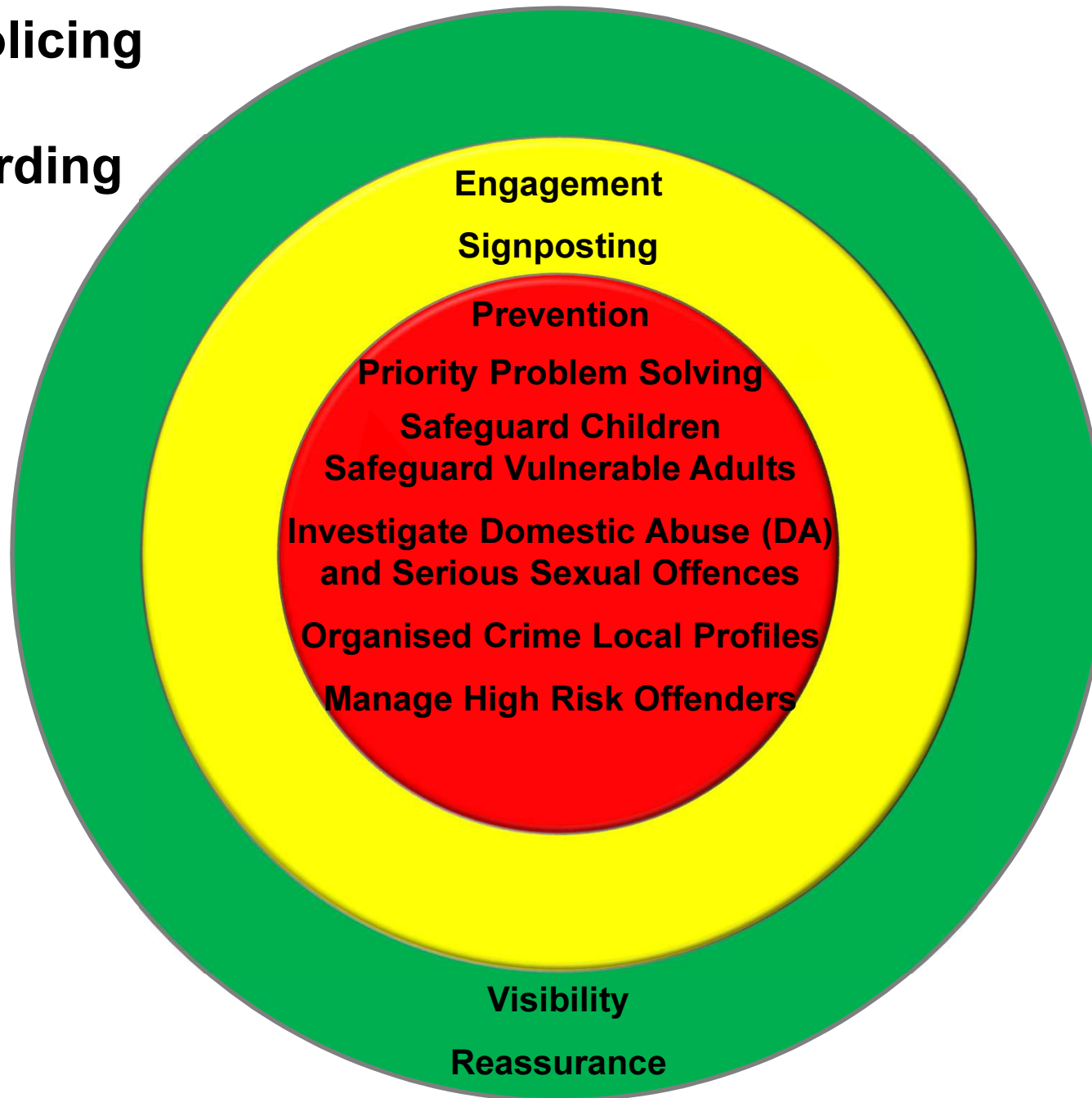
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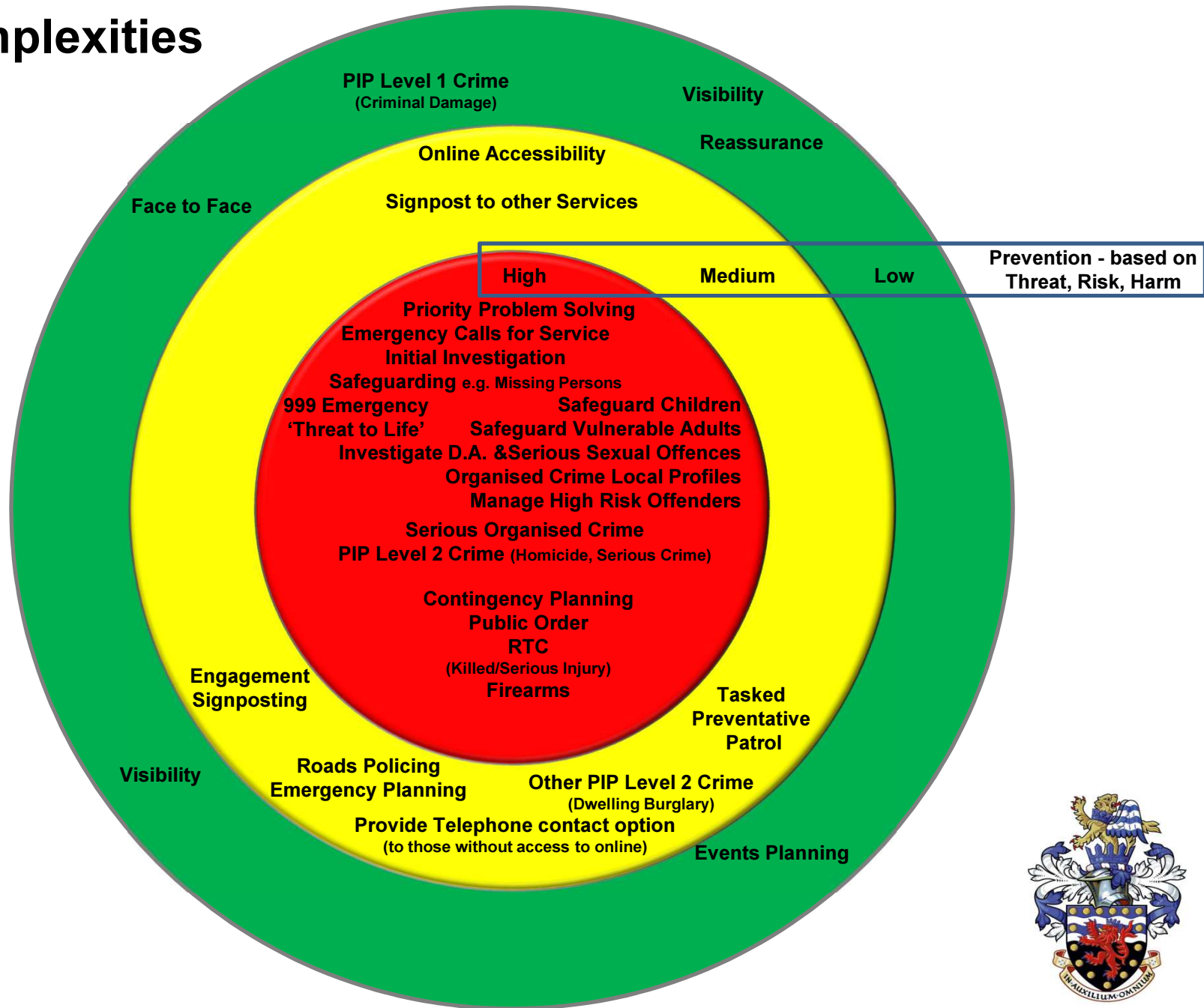
PIP: Professionalising Investigation Programme Accreditation



Local Policing and Safeguarding



The Complexities

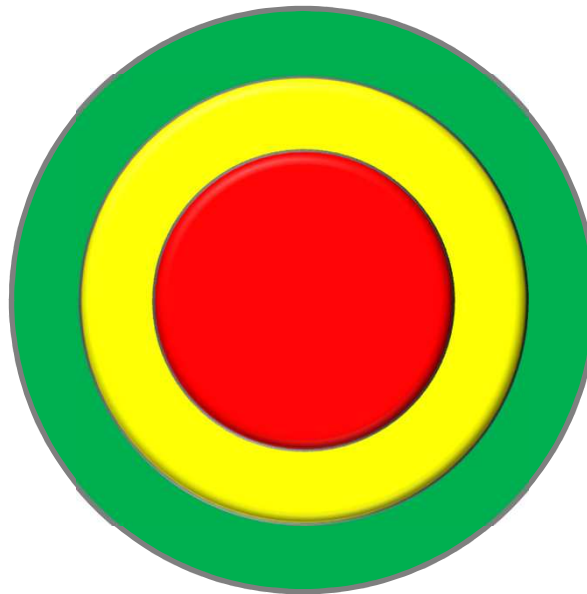


Next Steps

Compare to the different perspectives



Police



Public



Partners



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Police and Crime Commissioner Devon and Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly

**Proposals for consulting the public in
respect of a potential increase in the
precept**



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- The statutory process for any referendum proposal
- The preliminary ‘informal ‘ consultation to inform PCC’s decision about whether to commence the statutory process
- PCC seeking advice and guidance from the Police and Crime Panel to inform key questions, messages and process for preliminary ‘informal’ consultation.



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The Statutory Process

- PCC required to present a precept increase to Police and Crime Panel
- If PCC proposes an “excessive council tax increase” that breaches the principles set by the Secretary of State (DCLG) then a referendum is triggered
- Last year the Secretary of State capped levels at 1.99%



The Statutory Process

- If the PCC proposes an “excessive” increase then two budgets must be presented to PCP
 - The “excessive” increase
 - An increase that meets the principles
- Budget will be presented to Panel on 5 Feb 2016
- If vetoed by the panel then PCC must present a revised increase for 19 Feb 2016. This increase cannot be vetoed.



The Statutory Process

Format of ballot question is prescribed by statute

“For the financial year beginning on 1st April the Police and Crime Commissioner for Devon, Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly has decided to increase the amount it charges by x%.

Do you agree with the Police & Crime Commissioner’s proposal?”



The Statutory Process

- A Referendum would be held 5 May 2016 alongside PCC elections and any other local elections
- OPCC would bear cost of up to 50% of the total election process
- Total D&C election costs for 5 May 2016 (all elections) is estimated at £2.7m
- Council tax payers will have been billed by this date so defeat will necessitate either:
 - Full rebilling
 - Refund process on application with adjustment in 2017 for those people that did not apply for refund
 - Estimated rebilling costs are up to £0.6m
- Some other statutory costs (publication of official notices etc)

Total estimated cost could be £2 million



Informing the PCC's decision about whether to commence statutory process

Preliminary Consultation

- Significant period of consultation
- Will run over November/December (before any decision)
- The PCC intends to recommend that the public support his proposition to increase council tax to offset the unfair budget reductions being imposed on Devon and Cornwall
- Purpose of preliminary consultation is to seek views on that proposition



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Public Consultation

- PCC will communicate to and with the public through a variety of different mediums
 - Broadcast media e.g. TV and radio interviews, phone-ins etc.
 - Written media. Placed pieces, press releases
 - Public meetings
 - Social media and web engagement
- Public will be able to express view by post, through web and social media and in person at events or through media



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Wider Support

- Letter from PCC and “Chief Constable” to movers and shakers
- PCC restricted by ‘pre-election period’ restrictions but no one outside the precepting authority (OPCC) is subject to the same restrictions
- Will be looking for others to provide support pro-actively and to counter those that might oppose the increase



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Independently run insight and polling

- The PCC is currently holding focus groups to help him explore people's likely views on a proposed increase and its size
- In December the OPCC will commission a professional market research company to assess how the public might be likely to vote in any referendum



Informing the PCC's decision about whether to commence statutory process

Final Decision Making

- The Commissioner will make his decision on the budget proposals based on the following factors
 - Confirmed scale of budget reduction once Comprehensive Spending Review outcome known
 - Feedback from public and private consultation
 - Feedback from other sources
 - Feedback from the Police and Crime Panel
 - Continuing force assessment of likely impact of reductions



Key Messages

- *Devon & Cornwall are being additionally penalised by funding formula changes that are unfair*
- *Pay a little more and protect your policing*
 - *10% could offset up to 220 police officer reductions*
 - *15% could offset up to 350 police officer reductions*
 - *20% could offset up to 480 police officer reductions*
 - *25% could offset up to 620 police officer reductions*
- *Deployment of police officers would be a matter for Chief Constable*