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Chief Constable Tim De Meyer
Surrey Police

Dear Chief Constable,

Policing Provision, Developer Contributions and Housing Growth in East and West Horsley

West Horsley Parish Council (WHPC) is increasingly concerned about the level of policing provision available to our communities in light of the significant housing growth that has taken place, and continues to take place, across both West Horsley and East Horsley.

Residents have reported increasing concerns regarding anti-social behaviour, suspicious activity, vehicle-related nuisance, public disorder and other incidents which directly affect the quality of life within our villages. Whilst we appreciate the efforts of local officers and PCSOs, there is a growing perception amongst residents that policing resources have not kept pace with the scale of development that has been approved and delivered across the area.

The Parish Council has reviewed a number of planning consultation responses submitted by Surrey Police in relation to major developments within Guildford Borough, including sites in and around the Horsleys.

In these submissions Surrey Police consistently state that:

- Housing growth places additional demands upon policing services.
- Existing policing resources have limited capacity.
- Additional development risks service degradation if infrastructure is not expanded.
- Developer contributions are required to mitigate the impacts of population growth on policing services.

Given these representations, the Parish Council would welcome a clearer understanding of how policing provision has been enhanced within our area as a result of development-led contributions and population growth. We would therefore be grateful if Surrey Police could provide information on the following:

1. Developer Contributions
 - The total value of policing-related Section 106 and/or Community Infrastructure Levy contributions secured from developments within Guildford Borough since 2015.
2. Contributions Relating to the Horsleys
 - A breakdown of all policing-related Section 106 and Community Infrastructure Levy contributions secured from developments within, or directly serving, East Horsley and West Horsley since 2015, including (where applicable):
 - Manor Farm
 - Oakland Farm / Waterloo Farm
 - Britains Farm
 - Foxbury

- Glenview
- Wisley Airfield (where relevant to local policing provision)
- Other allocated or completed developments within East and West Horsley

3. Local Policing Resources

- The number of police officers, neighbourhood officers and PCSOs allocated to the East Horsley and West Horsley area in:
 - 2015
 - 2020
 - 2025
 - the current year

4. Current Capacity

- Whether Surrey Police considers current policing resources in the East and West Horsley area sufficient to meet existing demand and, if so, the basis upon which that assessment has been made.

5. Future Requirements

- Whether Surrey Police has identified any requirement for additional neighbourhood policing resources as a result of completed and committed housing growth within the Horsleys.

6. Recorded Incidents and Anti-Social Behaviour

- The number of recorded anti-social behaviour incidents and other community safety incidents within East Horsley and West Horsley for each year since 2015.

WHPC fully recognises the financial pressures facing policing nationally and locally. However, where Surrey Police has previously advised planning authorities that housing growth generates additional demand and requires mitigation through developer contributions, residents reasonably expect to see evidence that policing provision has increased alongside that growth.

The Parish Council is particularly concerned that reports of anti-social behaviour and other community safety issues have increased locally whilst visible policing resources appear limited. We are therefore seeking to understand whether the funding and infrastructure secured through the planning process has translated into additional policing capacity for our communities. Our objective is not to criticise Surrey Police but to understand how development-related contributions have supported local policing and whether further action is required to ensure that East and West Horsley remain safe and well-served communities.

We would welcome the opportunity to discuss this matter further with Surrey Police and the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner and look forward to your response.

Yours sincerely

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