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To: Police Accountability Board

From: Detective Superintendent Denise Harper

Subject: Update on Knife Crime Concentration Fund (KCCF)

Date: June 2026

1.0. Command Structure

1.1. Command Structure as of May 2026:

Knife Crime Strategic Lead: Detective Superintendent Denise Harper

KCCF Co-Ordinator: Detective Inspector Clare Daniel

2.0. Knife Crime Concentration Fund

2.1. Area in relation to the KCCF is the pink area. The Hex area in image 1 was not big enough for the 10% criteria set by the Home Office. The pink area in image 2 accounts for 11% of the Force's knife crime offences not including DA offences.



Image 1

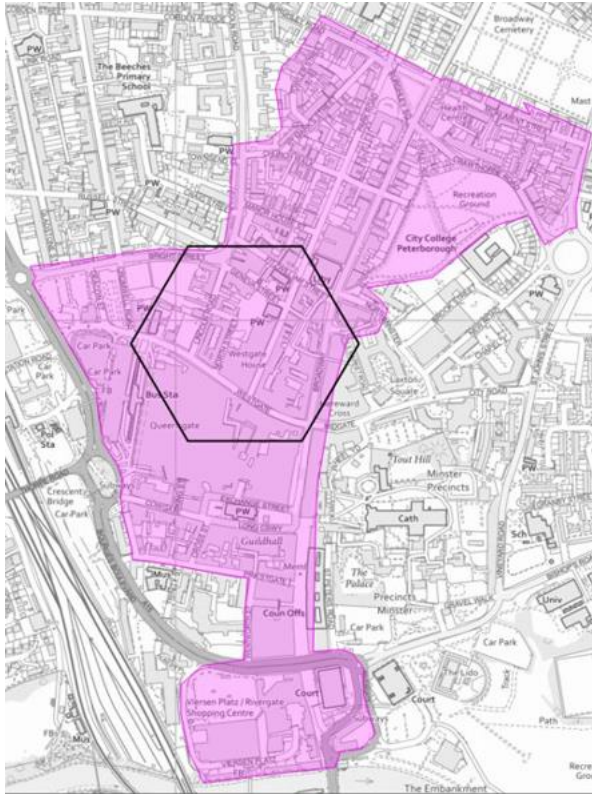


Image 2

3.0 Progress Report

3.1. The delivery plan was discussed with the Home Office and subsequently submitted to, and approved by, the KCCF team.

3.2. The approved funding allocation is set out below:

D/Insp Co-ordinator (cap)	£62,465
Problem Orientated Policing (POP)	£124,932
Ringfenced NPT PC x2 Patrol Activity (cap)	£124,930
Total	£312,327

3.3. NPT patrol activity within the KCCF area commenced on 1 April 2026.

The two ringfenced NPT PCs funded as above have the below activity recorded against KCCF for April and May 2026:

- 306 patrol hours completed within the KCCF area
- 11 arrests

- 8 stop searches
- More than 300 community engagements

4.0. Problem Orientated Policing

4.1. The POP funding amounts to £124,932. Using scanning and analysis we submit a problem solving plan in relation to how we will spend this part of the funding.

4.2. The first version of the scanning and analysis plan is soon intended for submission to the Home Office and the College of Policing. The College of Policing is quality-assuring plans before agreeing progression to the “response stage” which is the proposed plan in relation to the POP funding.

4.3. Introductory workshops were held in early June and chaired by the KCCF co-ordinator. Attendees included Peterborough City Council Head of Youth Services Anna Jack and police representatives. These sessions introduced KCCF and problem-oriented policing, enabled key stakeholders to contribute to the plan development.

4.4. Consultations regarding redevelopment in Peterborough City Centre are currently in progress, focusing on proposed environmental modifications intended to facilitate future problem-solving initiatives.

4.5. The KCCF co-ordinator is also seeking community views in relation to problem solving plans to feed into considered future activity via two routes:

- Redeeming Our Communities is delivering a survey on knife crime for young people, which went live on 5 June 2026.
- A community and professionals survey, supported by interviews, is also under way to gather views on knife crime in Peterborough city centre.

5.0 Returns

5.1. As the KCCF area is bespoke, Corporate Performance has needed to develop new reporting processes to identify and review offences occurring only within that boundary. This capability is essential to the scanning and analysis phase and is expected to be in place by the end of June 2026. In the interim, an analyst is manually reviewing offences and has started to provide insight on locations and the ages of victims and offenders.

5.2. KCCF is now a standing agenda item at the monthly Serious Violence Programme Ops Board.

5.3 Processes are now in place to support timely and meaningful monthly and quarterly returns directly to the Home Office team.