

Priority theme	Focus / Research Question(s) development	Current Action (to be updated / refreshed quarterly)	Location / leads	Date (s)
Wellbeing	Police Transformation Funded project on line managers' management of staff wellbeing, involving psychological screening and independent evaluation (Maryland Scale Level 3) managed by Catherine Owens (College of Policing).	Initial discussions hosted by Lincolnshire HQ to seek expertise on psychological screening design. Work is continuing with practitioners, academics and College of Policing to design the physical and psychological screening ahead of procurement later in 2018. Draft evaluation plan produced by College of Policing currently on hold due to internal discussion in the College regarding timescales for the PTF projects. Head of People Development at Lincs reviewing initial and management training to incorporate wellbeing input, including cascading of Mental Health First Aid training.	Lincolnshire Police HQ, hosted a workshop 3/5/18, led by Julie Wilkins. Support from Nottingham Trent, Nottingham, Leicester and Northampton. There is now ongoing work to confirm screening models and the evaluation strategy.	Ongoing
Mental Health	Initial stage: To consider how agencies should work together for best outcomes and challenge presumption that policing should be primary response for many MH incidents	Initial Roundtable, to problematize and explore holistic best practice across agencies. From the roundtable, specific research questions are sought. Dr Laura Knight (Northampton) also offers to integrate evaluation learning on mental health triage studies.	led by Chris Davison, Lincolnshire Police, University of Leicester, University of Nottingham (hosts) & Michael Brown, College of Policing, Laura Knight, University of Northampton. Follow up event involving NHS / Council partners being scoped.	5/9/18 RT report published
Crime harm in EM region	Dr Matt Ashby is seeking access to data (LSOA, date/time, HO offence code) in order to submit a funded ESRC project to map crime harm across the region.	Research bid submission – data access permissions required. DCC Naylor approached forces' DCCs for data permissions – all now given.	Led by Matt Ashby (Nottingham Trent University)	Live
Early intervention	Dr Berni Doran (Northampton) wishing to host a multi- agency and multi-disciplinary roundtable to explore insights for identifying effective interventions for early intervention to offending.	An initial roundtable to coordinate various strands of work across the region and beyond, and include a request to develop more 'holistic data sets' by Insp. Caroline Graham (Leicestershire Police), the purpose being to inform prevention of crime / safeguarding	R/T hosted by Dr Berni Doran (University of Northampton).	DTBF (2019)
Understanding demand	Supt. Mark Housley, Programme Director for Demand Management @ Lincs Police, seeks best practice and innovation for improved practice in understanding and managing demand. Link to HMICFRS statement.	An initial roundtable, to gauge existing knowledge and best practice, e.g. rostering and predictive tools from Loughborough to see what can be operationalised and what further research might benefit.	Lincolnshire Police HQ. Roundtable 6/6/18 has now generated an Insight Report (published EMPAC web). The report was used to inform an NPCC workshop on demand on 26/6/18. Follow up RT being scoped to involve council / blue light partners etc	6/6/18 RT report published
Custody risk	Insp. Duncan Collins, Custody Manager @ Notts Police seeks existing best practice and knowledge for scoping / implementation and identifying any gaps for future research to improve custody practice and efficiency	A new custody suite is being developed by Notts Police. Prof Lisa Jackson (Loughborough University) is working with Insp Collins to map existing knowledge that could be operationalised. Knowledge gaps to be identified for further research.	Loughborough University with Custody Management	Live
Citizens in Policing	Dr Laura Knight (University of Northampton) has existing funded research piloting across 19 settings for PSVs and Specials and is seeking to deliver workshops across EM region to deliver impact on professional practice	Workshops to deliver improved professional practice across region. Also, findings from existing work by University of Derby on police cadets to be integrated (Tony Blockley, University of Derby).	Dr Laura Knight & Dr Matthew Callender, University of Northampton. Supporting EM regional lead for PSV / Specials.	January 2019



Intelligence & Analytics	Informed by previous EMPAC Roundtable (12/12/17 @ EMSOU), purpose being to stimulate innovation and best practice efficiency in policing's use of analytics.	Further developing the R/T workstreams and working with NPCC (Dr Ian Stanier) on a review of NIM, Prof Andy Newton (University of Leicester) is scoping a follow-up R/T for coproduced research with EM region's DoI's (SPOC - D/Supt Dave Kirby, Derbyshire FIB). RT report on Analytics published (EMPAC web).	Prof. Andy Newton (University of Leicester), Dr Ian Stanier, NPCC (Intell), D/Supt Dave Kirby. Roundtable on Analytics & intelligence being organised for January 2019 @ University of Leicester.	RT report published. DTBF January 2019
Community Engagement	Dr James Hunter (NTU) has existing, funded research ready for roll-out impact on tackling ASB.	Extended piloting of funded existing project and roll out for improved professional practice across EM region. The research has been adopted nationally by the College of Policing. National launch of the community engagement classification tool to be held at NTU on 30 th July'	Dr James Hunter, Nottingham Trent University	Live as 30/7/18
Digital Policing: Prevention	Identified need in digital crime prevention. Exploring prevention principles and techniques applicable in digital setting.	R/T to integrate existing blue light 'interoperability' knowledge, including work by Nick Howe and Dr David Hicks (University of Derby) that has been applied in W/Mids Police area and identify next steps in impact and / or further research.	Prof. Matthew Hall, University of Lincoln Inspector Steve Johnson, Derbyshire Police HQ	16/1/19
Digital Policing: Investigation process	The nature and scope of the proposed research is a mapping exercise to study the inputs, intelligence and investigative process, decision-making junctures, and outputs with respect to cyber-dependent criminality. The specific aims of the research are to study a digital forensics live triage tool in the context of its integration within effective and defensible investigative practice.	Research will be interdisciplinary project; involving Derbyshire Police colleagues in the cybercrime unit and related areas such as the economic crime unit as well as the combined specialisms of University of Derby colleagues below (alphabetical order): Dr Dimitrios Delimpasis (law, cybersecurity, data protection) Dr Virginia Franqueira (computer science, digital forensics) Dr David Hicks (criminology, cybercrime, financial crime) Mr Craig Hughes (financial investigation, financial intelligence) Prof. Fatih Kurugollu (computer science, cybersecurity)	Dr David Hicks, University of Derby D/Supt Dave Kirby, Derbyshire HQ Force Intelligence Bureau (FIB)	Live
Transformation using a restorative framework	Prof. Kerry Clamp (University of Nottingham) seeks EM region piloting, using existing expertise from Terry O'Connell (New South Wales Police), working with DCC Gary Knighton (Derbyshire).	Survey and pilot across EM to be scheduled – liaison with EM forces SPOCS, and R/T to coordinate activity (28/9/18). Workshop 28/9/18 will update on findings so far and stimulate discussion on how restorative dialogue can help transform policing culture.	Prof. Kerry Clamp (University of Nottingham) To support <i>Local Policing 2025 Vision</i> and EM CJB.	28/9/18
Domestic Abuse	Sarah Norburn, DA coordinator (Lincs Police) seeks evaluation of DVPN/Os. Linked to regional DA forum, chaired by D/Supt Jan Helm (Northamptonshire Police)	Sarah Norburn (Lincs) and D/Supt Helm (Northants) having discussions with interested universities.	Sarah Norburn, Lincolnshire Police HQ, supported by Universities of Derby & Leicester	DTBF
Hate Crime	Prof. Neil Chakraborti (University of Leicester's national Hate Crime Centre) to host R/T to coordinate best practice application in the EM region and identify knowledge gaps.	The R/T is scheduled for Monday 28th of January 2019 13:30 - 16:30. will support the national portfolio on Hate Crime (PCC Hardyal Dhindsa) and will include disability hate crime and social media abuse. The RT will explore recent findings by HMICFRS.	Prof. Neil Chakraborti , University of Leicester, supported by Nottingham Trent University	28/1/19



Rural Crime	Prof. Rob McCusker (DMU) offers to host a R/T to draw	Roundtable. To support the National Rural Crime Network and NPCC	Jim Holyoak, De Montfort University, supported	DTBF
	together existing knowledge and identify research gaps.	national portfolios (DCC Naylor) (includes wildlife crime)	by University of Nottingham	
Modern Slavery	New East Midlands Police Modern Slavery Forum, to	Previous R/T at the University of Nottingham 26/3/18) identified	Forum including EMSOU, Universities of	Next
	coordinate best practice and research effort to improve	coordination benefits of a regional forum. Next forum meeting to be	Nottingham and De Montfort, supporting the	regional
	professional practice and identify new research to fill	chaired by DI Harry Dick (EMSOU). Support from Roger Bannister,	NPCC portfolio on Slavery.	meeting
	knowledge gaps. Coordinated via the NPCC portfolio on	CEO of GLAA (Nottingham) to complement GLAA research capacity.		21/11/18
	Slavery and regional lead (DCC Haward @ EMSOU).	To integrate data sets developed in Essex Police. Inaugural meeting		
		8/8/18 chaired by regional coordinator DI Harry Dick, (on behalf of		
		DCC Haward).		
Practitioner	Workstream is to develop best practice in policing	R/T proposed to further develop senior practitioner development, &	Dr Rebecca Thompson, Nottingham Trent	EMPAC
Research	practitioner research and accreditation, supporting advanced	CPD (linked to PEQF) and Student Fellowships to support a modern	University, supported also by Kate Strudwick,	Fellows
	practitioner roles to support a modern workforce, building on	workforce, being explored by Karolina Zalewska, Equality Unit,	University of Lincoln (e.g. 3 rd year dissertation	Cohort 1
	existing expertise in EMPAC Fellowships.	Leicestershire Police HQ. Level 7 research being aligned to risk,	topics)	Graduation
		threat and harm (i.e. PG Cert). January 2019 join Fellowships to run		event
		if 10 candidates. Level 8 scoping (pathways to professional doctorate etc).		26/9/18
		doctorate etc).		
Innovation	Existing force-level development led by DCC Gary Knighton	Existing force-level work, suitable for regional expansion.	DCC Gary Knighton, Derbyshire Constabulary	Linked to
IIIIIOVation	(Derbyshire) to develop a more innovative workplace culture	Derbyshire has been supported by the national NHS 'The Edge' team	HQ supported by Simon Moser, University of	28/9/18
	in policing.	prof Simon Moser (University of Nottingham Ingenuity Lab).	Nottingham and The Edge Team. Interest in	Restorative
	in poneing.	Interface with Restorative Practice workstream (Kerry Clamp, UoN).	exploring how to enable a culture that	Framework
		Event 12/7/18 to be followed up with further events (after the	accelerates innovation / 'Centre of Excellence	event.
		Restorative Practice event 28/9/18 – see above). Possible follow up	in Policing Innovation'.	
		event (17/10/18) open to the region to target innovation being		
		considered.		
Informing	Peter Ward, EM regional lead for L & D and national chair for	Regional R/T being scoped to help inform regional and national	Peter Ward, Leicestershire Police HQ.	RT 5/11/18
learning and	L & D, seeks to develop best practice through research to	reviews of L & D involving MOPAC, Open University and lessons	Supported by G4S (Lincs), Universities of	
development	deliver PEQF CPD and Fellowships (complements Practitioner	learned from other professions. R/T proposed topic – 'how can L & D	Derby, Lincoln & NTU. RT planned for 5/11/18.	
	Research workstream), including 'community of practice'	help enable professionalising policing?'. Level 4-6 undergraduate	@ Joint Training Centre.	
	networks (to develop best practice in professional network	projects are being aligned to risk, threat and harm (recognised by		
	support), within the national context of the professionalising	College of Policing as national best practice). This workstream is		
	of policing, led by College of Policing.	aligned to PEQF workstreams, including CPD and Fellowships development.		
Policing	Dr Claire Davis (University of Leicester). Focus under	Area for specific application being considered by Dr Davis, pending		
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