

Essex Police and Crime Panel	<b>EPCP/052/14</b>
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**HMIC's new programme of regular all-force inspections, known as the PEEL (police efficiency, effectiveness and legitimacy) assessments**

Report by the Secretary to the Panel

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**Purpose of report and background**

At its last meeting the Panel received a copy of the response to the HMIC consultation on its new annual programme of all-force inspections. The inspections will provide accessible, annual independent assessments of the performance of police forces. They will make it possible to see from a small number of easy-to-understand categories of police activity and assessment, how well police forces are performing.

The inspections will be called Police Efficiency, Effectiveness and Legitimacy assessments, or PEEL assessments. The PEEL assessment programme will give HMIC a solid baseline to comment on the breadth of policing. It will reduce the need for additional thematic inspections and should, over time, lead to a reduction in the inspection demands placed on forces.

This is to inform the Panel that HMIC will be launching its new PEEL website with limited information to begin with, with effect from 27 November. The following link will take you to the relevant part of the website:

[PEEL assessments](#)