

POLICE COMMITTEE
Wednesday, 20 May 2015

Minutes of the meeting of the Police Committee held at Committee Rooms, 2nd Floor, West Wing, Guildhall on Wednesday, 20 May 2015 at 11.00 am

Present

Members:

Deputy Henry Pollard (Chairman)
Mark Boleat
Lucy Frew
Alderman Alison Gowman
Alderman Ian Luder
Deputy Joyce Nash
Deputy Richard Regan
Deputy James Thomson

Officers:

Katie Odling	Town Clerk's Department
Alex Orme	Policy Officer
James Goodsell	Policy Officer
Steve Telling	Chamberlain's Department
James Bradshaw	City Surveyor's Department
Doug Wilkinson	Department of the Built Environment
Commander Wayne Chance	

City of London Police:

Adrian Leppard	Commissioner
Ian Dyson	Assistant Commissioner
Eric Nisbett	Director, Corporate Services
Hayley Williams	Chief of Staff
Stephen Head	Commander, Economic Crime
Commander Wayne Chance	Commander, Operations

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Deputy Doug Barrow, Simon Duckworth, Vivienne Littlechild and Helen Marshall.

2. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS UNDER THE CODE OF CONDUCT IN RESPECT OF ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

There were no declarations of interest.

3. APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE

RESOLVED – That the Order of the Court of Common Council appointing the Committee and approving its Terms of Reference be received.

4. **ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**

RESOLVED – That Henry Pollard be elected Chairman in accordance with Standing Order 29 for the ensuing year.

5. **ELECTION OF DEPUTY CHAIRMAN**

RESOLVED – That Deputy Doug Barrow be elected Deputy Chairman in accordance with Standing Order 30 for the ensuing year.

6. **MINUTES**

1a. **RESOLVED - That the minutes of the meeting held on 26 March 2015 be approved.**

Barbican Area CCTV – Members were informed that the responses to the consultation had been positive and a decision regarding POCA funding would be given consideration at the forthcoming Police POCA Board meeting.

2a. **RESOLVED - That the draft minutes of the Professional Standards and Integrity Sub (Police) Committee held on 6 February 2015 be received.**

3a. **RESOLVED - That the draft minutes of the Performance and Resource Management Sub (Police) Committee held on 18 March 2015 be received.**

7. **OUTSTANDING REFERENCES**

RESOLVED – That the list of Outstanding References be noted.

8. **APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THE SUB COMMITTEE**

The Committee considered a report of the Town Clerk which recommended a number of internal and external appointments for 2015/2016.

The Chairman expressed thanks to Deputy Joyce Nash for her invaluable contribution as Chairman of the Professional Standards and Integrity Sub Committee over the last 3 years. He also expressed thanks to Dhruv Patel who has served as the co-opted Member on this Sub Committee for the last year.

RESOLVED – That:-

a) the Terms of Reference be noted;

b) the appointment of the two Sub Committees and the Economic Crime Board be agreed as follows:-

ECONOMIC CRIME BOARD

Mark Boleat

Lucy Frew

Helen Marshall

Simon Duckworth

Deputy Richard Regan

(In addition to the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the Police Committee who are appointed as ex-officio Members).

PERFORMANCE AND RESOURCES MANAGEMENT SUB COMMITTEE

Deputy Doug Barrow
Deputy Joyce Nash
Alderman Alison Gowman
Deputy James Thomson
Vacancy

(In addition to the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the Police Committee who are appointed as ex-officio Members).

PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS AND INTEGRITY SUB COMMITTEE

Deputy James Thomson
Vivienne Littlechild
Helen Marshall
Alderman Alison Gowman
Deputy Richard Regan
Lucy Sandford

(In addition to the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the Police Committee who are appointed as ex-officio Members).

- c) the Chairmen for the two Sub-Committees and Economic Crime Board be appointed as follows:

Economic Crime Board

Simon Duckworth

Professional Standards and Integrity Sub-Committee

Alderman Alison Gowman

Performance and Resource Management Sub-Committee

Deputy Douglas Barrow

- d) the Co-opted Member of the Professional Standards Sub Committee and the Economic Crime Board be appointed as follows –

Economic Crime Board

Nick Bensted-Smith

Professional Standards and Integrity Sub-Committee

James Tumbridge

- e) the appointments to various internal and external bodies be agreed as follows:

Streets and Walkways Sub Committee

Alderman Alison Gowman

Safer City Partnership

Deputy Henry Pollard

Association of Police and Crime Commissioners

Simon Duckworth

- f) meetings be agreed as follows:-
- 8 times a year for the Police Committee;
 - Quarterly meetings for Board and the two Sub-Committees.

9. ATTENDANCE AT SUB COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Committee received a report of the Town Clerk which provided details of attendance by Members at meetings of the two Sub Committees and the Economic Crime Board.

This report was requested following a discussion at the last meeting of the Police Committee regarding inquorate meetings. The Town Clerk would canvass Members following the meeting to establish preferred meeting days and times.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

10. SPECIAL INTEREST AREA SCHEME 2015/16

The Committee considered a report of the Town Clerk which set out the arrangements for the Special Area Interest (SIA) Scheme for 2015/2016 and requested Members to confirm appointments to each of these areas.

Deputy Joyce Nash, former Chairman of the Professional Standards and Integrity Sub Committee expressed gratitude to the Superintendent, Professional Standards Directorate and his team for their excellent work.

The Chairman thanked Don Randall, former External Member of the Police Committee for his work as Lead Member of the Anti-Social Behavior portfolio.

RESOLVED – That report be noted and Lead Members be appointed as follows –

Business Improvement and Change and Performance and Risk Management	Deputy Barrow
Professional Standards and Integrity	Alderman Gowman
Equality, Diversity & Human Rights	Lucy Sandford
Counter Terrorism	Mr Duckworth
Strategic Policing Requirement Overview	Deputy Pollard
Economic Crime /Fraud	Mr Duckworth

Accommodation/Infrastructure	Deputy Thomson
Road Safety	Alderman Gowman
Public Order	Deputy Barrow
ICV Scheme	Vivienne Littlechild
Anti-Social Behaviour and Community Engagement	Vivienne Littlechild

11. INDEPENDENT CUSTODY VISITING SCHEME ANNUAL REPORT

The Committee considered a report of the Town Clerk which updated on the progress of the City of London’s Independent Custody Visiting (ICV) Scheme.

It was suggested that the Force should involve the ICV’s in helping shape the new custody suites. Commander of Operations agreed to investigate alternate ways for ICV’s to enter Bishopsgate Police Station in light of the current security threat level.

The Chairman expressed thanks to Peter Tihanyi for his work as Chairman of the ICV Panel.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

12. STANDARD ITEM ON THE SPECIAL INTEREST AREA SCHEME

1a. Community Engagement Update

The Committee received a report of the Commissioner of Police which provided details of issues raised at Ward level and the Force response since the last report was presented to the Committee in January 2015.

The Commander of Operations expressed thanks to Vivienne Littlechild, Lead Member for her contribution and involvement in the previous year.

At the request of one Member, the Commissioner of Police agreed to contact Westminster Courts regarding disposals made available to Magistrates for lesser acquisitive crimes, as there seemed to be a different approach in the City of London to that in Westminster.

The Committee discussed the *#WeStandTogether* campaign which was launched with involvement from the Prevent Engagement Team and the Volunteer Cadets. The campaign promotes trust, integration and cohesion within communities and police forces across the UK were promoting the message. Members were informed that as part of this Agenda, work was being undertaken around early year’s intervention. The Commander of Operations expressed thanks to the Cadets for their hard work.

With regards to the ‘Hotelwatch’ Scheme in the City, Members were informed that there has been an increase in communication between hotels and it was anticipated that eventually hotels would manage this process themselves.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

2a. Equality Diversity and Human Rights (EDHR) Update

The Committee considered a report of the Commissioner of Police which provided an update on the key Equality, Diversity and Human Rights (EDHR) related activities conducted by the Force since the last report.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

13. NATIONAL LEAD FORCE STRATEGIC DOCUMENTS

The Committee received a report of the Commissioner of Police concerning the National Lead Force Strategic Documents.

Commander Economic Crime congratulated Town Clerks for their work in securing pan- London funding from the MOJ for victims of fraud.

The Chairman expressed thanks to Commander Economic Crime and his team for the delivery of the EDHR related activities.

The Committee noted that the Economic Crime Board had requested that further work on the format of the report was needed and suggested images should be altered to avoid potential stereotyping.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

14. CITY OF LONDON POLICE ANNUAL REPORT 2014-15

The Committee received the draft City of London Police Annual Report for 2014/15.

RESOLVED – That the report be approved subject to any final comments to be submitted by 1 June 2015.

15. PUBLIC SECTOR PENSIONS REFORM

The Committee considered a report of the Chamberlain regarding the establishment of a Local Pensions Board: Police Pensions Scheme.

RESOLVED – That a Police Pensions Board as a Sub Committee of the Police Committee be established, comprising 3 Employer and 3 Scheme Member representatives, in accordance with the Police Pension Scheme Regulations and the draft Terms of Reference.

16. POLICE ICT COMPANY

The Committee considered a report of the Chief Information Officer which proposed that the City of London Corporation joined the national Police ICT Company.

RESOLVED – That authority be delegated to the Town Clerk, in consultation with the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of Police Committee, to join the

national Police ICT Company at the cost of £25,000, subject to the agreement of suitable terms and final signoff by the Comptroller and City Solicitor.

17. SERIOUS CRIME ACT

The Committee received a report of the City Remembrancer which provided an overview of the main provisions of the Serious Crime Act 2015.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

18. QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE COMMITTEE

There were no questions.

19. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT

There were no items of urgent business.

20. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

RESOLVED – That under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act.

21. NON-PUBLIC MINUTES

1a. **RESOLVED - That the the non-public minutes of the meeting held on 26 March 2015 be approved.**

2a. **RESOLVED - That the draft minutes of the Professional Standards and Integrity (Police) Sub Committee held on 6 February 2015 be received.**

22. REPORT ON ACTION TAKEN

The Committee received a report of action taken under Urgency procedures since the last meeting in relation to the provision of Custody Healthcare.

RESOLVED - That the report be noted.

23. CITY OF LONDON POLICE- FUTURE OF THE MOUNTED BRANCH

The Committee considered a report of the Commissioner of Police regarding the future of the Mounted Branch.

24. LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

The Committee considered a report of the Commissioner of Police regarding the procurement of services for the Leadership Development Programme.

25. GB GROUP CONTRACT AND WAIVER OF PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS

The Committee received a report of the Commissioner of Police regarding the GB Group contract and waiver of procurement regulations.

26. **NHS COMMISSIONING OF HEALTHCARE IN POLICE CUSTODY UPDATE**
The Committee received a report of the Commissioner of Police regarding the NHS Commissioning of Healthcare in police custody.

EXTENSION OF THE MEETING

At this point, the time limit for Committee meetings as set out in Standing Order No 40 had been reached, but there being a two-thirds majority of the Committee present who voted in favour of an extension, the Committee agreed to continue the meeting.

27. **SALE OF BERNARD MORGAN HOUSE, 43 GOLDEN LANE, LONDON EC1Y 0RS**

The Committee received a report of the City Surveyor regarding the sale of Bernard Morgan House, 43 Golden Lane.

28. **COMMISSIONER'S UPDATES**

The Commissioner of Police was heard concerning on-going and successful operations undertaken by the City of London Police.

29. **QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE COMMITTEE**

There were no questions.

30. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT AND WHICH THE COMMITTEE AGREE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED WHILST THE PUBLIC ARE EXCLUDED**

There were no items of urgent business.

The meeting ended at 1.10 pm

Chairman

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