POLICE COMMITTEE Friday, 24 July 2015

Minutes of the meeting of the Police Committee held at Committee Rooms, 2nd Floor, West Wing, Guildhall on Friday, 24 July 2015 at 11.00 am

Present

Members:

Deputy Douglas Barrow (Deputy Chairman)
Mark Boleat
Simon Duckworth
Lucy Frew
Alderman Alison Gowman
Alderman Ian Luder
Vivienne Littlechild
Helen Marshall
Deputy Joyce Nash
Deputy Richard Regan
Lucy Sandford
Deputy James Thomson

Officers:

Chrissie Morgan Director of Human Resources

Alex Orme Policy Officer
James Goodsell Policy Officer

Katie Odling Town Clerk's Department
Paula Wilkinson Town Clerk's Department
Steve Telling Chamberlain's Department

Doug Wilkinson Department of the Built Environment

City of London Police:

Hayley Williams Chief of Staff

Stephen Head Commander, Economic Crime

Commander Wayne Chance Commander, Operations

Eric Nisbett Director of Corporate Services

CHAIRMAN'S OPENING REMARKS

The Chairman welcomed Lucy Sandford to her first meeting of the Police Committee following her appointment by Court on 21 May 2015.

Commissioner Adrian Leppard was congratulated by the Chairman on behalf of the Committee after he received the Mervyn David Award which recognises the contribution of the force in taking forward the national security agenda, by the UK Chapter of ASIS International.

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Henry Pollard (Chairman) and Ian Dyson (Assistant Commissioner).

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

There were no declarations of interest.

3. MINUTES

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meeting held on 20 May 2015 be approved.

Independent Custody Visiting Scheme – The Commander, Operations advised that Independent Custody Visitors would be consulted on the new custody suites at the detailed design stage.

4. OUTSTANDING REFERENCES

RESOLVED – That the list of Outstanding References be noted.

Police Uniform - It was agreed to submit a report to the Committee on 25 September 2015 to address procurement issues and lessons to be learned.

5. STANDARD ITEM ON THE SPECIAL INTEREST AREA SCHEME

The Chairman reported the successful event on Wednesday 22 July when the Home Office Security Minister, John Hayes visited for the deployment in Tower Bridge to see the tactics first hand alongside the Commissioner of the Police.

6. THE CITY OF LONDON CORPORATION PREVENT STRATEGY 2015/16

The Committee considered a report of the Assistant Town Clerk regarding the 2015/16 Prevent Strategy.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

7. ANNUAL REPORT ON PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS ACTIVITY - 2014/15

The Committee considered a report of the Commissioner of Police which provided a comprehensive overview of activities relating to Police Professional Standards over the year 2014/2015.

The Commissioner expressed thanks to Deputy Nash for her proactive role in assisting with the production of the report.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

8. COMMUNITY REMEDY DOCUMENT

The Committee considered a report of the Commissioner of Police which set out proposals for the Community Remedy document (CRD).

Members raised a number of concerns about the poor response and the limited scope of the consultation exercise. It was therefore agreed that the consultation process should be rerun, this time with a much broader approach.

As part of this further work it was requested that consideration be given that Community Remedies should not apply in the following circumstances –

- Radical and religiously aggravated offences
- Where the individual has received more than one Community Remedy
- When theft is from theft of a person
- Section 4 and 4a of the Public Order Act
- Common assault
- When the victim is otherwise vulnerable or under 16 years of age

RESOLVED – That the consultation process be rerun.

9. REVENUE AND CAPITAL OUTTURN 2014/15

The Committee received a joint report of the Chamberlain and Commissioner of Police regarding the Revenue and Capital Outturn 2014/15.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

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

There were no questions.

11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT

Police Committee Annual Report – The Commissioner commented on the production of the annual report and apologised for the errors. Members were invited to submit any final changes to the revised annual report by close of business on 6 August.

12. 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.

13. NON-PUBLIC MINUTES

RESOLVED – That the non-public minutes of the meeting held on 20 May 2015 be approved.

14. ACTION AND KNOW FRAUD PROCUREMENT

The Committee considered a report of the Commissioner of Police regarding the Action and Know Fraud Procurement.

15. GATEWAY 3 ISSUE REPORT: POLICE ACCOMMODATION PROJECT

The Committee considered a joint report of the Chamberlain, City Surveyor and Commissioner of Police.

16. INTEGRATED SUBSTANCE MISUSE AND TOBACCO CONTROL SERVICES TENDER

The Committee received a report of the Director of Community and Children's Services regarding the Integrated Substance Misuse and Tobacco Control Services tender.

17. COMMISSIONER'S UPDATES

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

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

There were no questions.

19. 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.

20. CITY OF LONDON POLICE CHANGE PROGRAMME

The Committee received a report of the Commissioner of Police.

21. RECRUITMENT OF COMMISSIONER

The Committee considered a report of the Town Clerk.

The meeting ended at 1pm.	
Chairman	

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