POLICE COMMITTEE

FRIDAY, 18 JANUARY 2013

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

By virtue of paragraph 3 of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

12. NON-PUBLIC MINUTES

The non-public minutes of the meeting held on 7 December 2012 were approved.

MATTERS ARISING

(1) **Police Accommodation Project: Visit** (p39) – The Town Clerk advised that the afternoon of 28 February was currently being looked at as a potential date for a visit, and Members would be contacted with further details in due course.

13. POLICE LEADERSHIP TEAM NOTES

The notes of the meeting held on 17 December 2012 were received.

14. COMMISSIONER'S UPDATES

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

The Commissioner echoed the Deputy Chairman's earlier congratulations to Frank Armstrong on the award of his QPM and in response to a Member's query with regard to the communication of relevant information after incidents undertook to ensure appropriate Lead Members were provided with more information as appropriate.

15. COLLABORATION UPDATE

The Committee received a report of the Commissioner providing Members with an update on progress made to date in exploring opportunities for increased collaborative working.

The Deputy Chairman noted that the reference in the summary to collaborative legislation was slightly inaccurate, in that such arrangements were actually governed by Section 22a of the Police Act 1996, as amended by the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011.

The Committee was also reminded of its responsibilities under the Police Act 1996 to keep the effectiveness of collaboration agreements under review and that there was an expectation the agreements would contain mechanisms to ensure that the Committee was involved in the governance and oversight of collaboration arrangements.

The Assistant Commissioner noted that collaboration was a means to an end, namely, either improving services or cutting costs. As a result of the challenges

and scrutiny placed upon existing services whilst looking at potentially collaborating with the British Transport Police in some areas, the City Police had been able to identify ways to improve and cut costs without needing to collaborate and so the desired outcome had nevertheless been achieved.

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16. RENEWAL OF CCTV SUPPORT AND MAINTENANCE CONTRACT

The Committee approved a report of the Commissioner concerning the extension of the support and maintenance contract of the current digital video storage system Synectics Systems Ltd.

It was noted that this was the second such extension, with the Commissioner advising that the Force was currently exploring a refresh of the way in which automatic number plate recognition and CCTV systems in the City were configured to ensure the best levels of security for the Square Mile. There would of course be large capital costs associated with the projects and he was hopeful that the business community would be willing to contribute given the tangible benefits to policing and security in the City that would accrue. Members noted that a report on the refresh of the system was to come to the April meeting of the Committee.

RESOLVED: That Members:-

- Approve an extension of the Digital Video Storage System maintenance contract for a further one year period to allow progress to be made on a replacement project; and,
- Agree a waiver of the City of London Corporation's Procurement Regulations, as permitted under Regulation 15, to allow a contract to be placed for one year period at a cost of £90,500.00.
- 17. QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE COMMITTEE

There were no questions.

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

There were no urgent items.

The meeting ended at 12.45 pm

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