

CLEVELAND POLICE AUTHORITY EXECUTIVE

A meeting of Cleveland Police Authority Executive was held on Wednesday 15 December 2010 in the Members Conference Room at Police HQ.

PRESENT: Councillor Caroline Barker, Councillor Barry Coppinger, Councillor Paul Kirton, Councillor Mary Lanigan, Councillor Ron Lowes, Councillor Dave McLuckie (Chair), Councillor Hazel Pearson OBE and Mayor Stuart Drummond.

Independent Members

Mr Ted Cox JP, Mr Peter Hadfield, Mr Aslam Hanif, Mr Mike McGrory JP, Mr Geoff Fell and Mr Chris Coombs.

OFFICIALS: Mrs Julie Leng, Mr John Bage and Mr Michael Porter (CE). Mr Sean Price, Mr Derek Bonnard, Mrs Ann Hall and Miss Kate Rowntree (CC).

293 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Mr Peter Race MBE (Vice Chair) and Miss Pam Andrews-Mawer.

294 **DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**

There were no declarations of interest.

295 **LONG TERM FINANCIAL PLAN SETTLEMENT UPDATE**

The Assistant Chief Officer Finance + Commissioning (ACO F+C) informed Members that at the meeting of the Police Authority Executive on 25th February 2010, Members agreed the Budget proposals for 2010/11 and the Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP) for 2011/12 to 2014/15.

Members were informed that on Monday 13th December 2010, the Government announced Force allocations which gave details of Grant plus RSG/NNDR for both 2011/12 and 2012/13, plus indicative amounts for 2013/14 and 2014/15.

The major points of note were:

- Overall cash reductions of 5.1% and 6.7% in 2011/12 and 2012/13 respectively which is higher than previously announced and therefore anticipated.

- From 2011/12, the Specific Grants of the Rule 2 Grant, BCU Grant and Crime Fighting Fund will be rolled up as part of the overall grant.
- The PCSO Grant will continue to be paid separately for the next 2 years but will form part of the overall grant from 2013/14.

The ACO F+C informed Members that it can be seen from the table in 3.14 to the report, the extent of the pressures and savings are not determined solely by the direct CSR grant settlement. Some of the pressures and savings may be determined by decisions that are outside the Police Authority's control.

Members were informed that the Force will proactively develop options and strategies that would provide the means to reduce the recurring costs of the services that the Force currently provided, whilst maintaining current service levels.

The ACO F+C informed Members that a balanced budget for 2011/12, that maintained the focus on front line policing and performance improvement, will be brought to the February Police Authority Executive meeting for Members' consideration and decision. The extent and front loading of cuts and Governments assumptions around precept levels, create a risk around the delivery of a balanced position in future years which is being actively tackled to seek to mitigate, as far as possible.

ORDERED that;

1. the continuing process to deliver a balanced budget for 2011/12 be noted.
2. further briefings be arranged for January and February 2011, as required, prior to Members being asked to agree a budget for 2011/12 be noted.
3. final proposals would be brought to the February Police Authority Executive Meeting for Members' consideration and decision be noted.

VALUE FOR MONEY STRATEGY

The Assistant Chief Officer Finance + Commissioning (ACO F+C) informed Members that the paper was to update Members

on the Force's approach to Value for Money and its progress in preparing for the HMIC inspections of workforce productivity (Working for the Public) and Value for Money, assessment by the Audit Commission, and addressed the savings challenges raised by the 2010 Comprehensive Spending Review.

Members were informed that the Force had limited resource to carry out structured programmes of activity. As such, all structured service review activity would be carried out under the auspices of a new Futures Working Group. The terms of reference of the Futures Working Group were set out at Appendix A to the report.

ORDERED that;

1. the contents of the report be noted.

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GRANT SETTLEMENT UPDATE

The Treasurer informed Members that the Minister of State for Policing and Criminal Justice had set out proposals for the aggregate amount of grant to Police Authorities and in so doing indicated a cash reduction in funding for each Police Authority of 5.1% in 2011/12 and 6.7% in 2012/13.

Members were informed that the cuts for Cleveland Police were in line with the headline numbers. The Treasurer informed Members that the cuts totaled £12m of reductions in cash over the 2 year period which equates to approximately £17m of cuts in 'Real' terms over the 2 years.

The Neighbourhood Policing/PCSO Grant had been confirmed for the first 2 years of the 4 year period, remaining as a Specific Grant and therefore will need to continue to fund the employment of PCSOs.

The Treasurer informed Members that the cuts over 2 years total nearly £12m, from a Cash perspective, and in Real terms are closer to reductions of £17m. This provided the Authority with significant financial challenges and represented a significant risk for future service delivery.

ORDERED that;

1. the contents of the report be noted.
2. the Chairman, in consultation with the Chief Executive

and the Chief Constable, to make representations in response to the proposed settlement.

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PROJECT I FINANCIAL UPDATE

The Treasurer reminded Members that they approved at their meeting on the 15th June 2010 to enter into a Strategic Partnership Contract with Steria which would save the Authority £49.8m over the next 10 years. In addition to the contracted savings there was also the possibility to increase these savings by £22.7m, to £72.5m. This was possible through primarily identifying a further 100 Police Officer roles to be outsourced and under taken by TUPE'd support staff.

The report was to update Members on the changes that had been made to this contract since the approval and the financial impact of those changes.

The Treasurer informed Members that since approval by the Police Authority on the 15th June 2010 to enter into the contract and the 'Go-Live' date of the 1st October 2010, certain areas within the original agreement had required slight amendments and/or changes to reflect the changing wants or needs of the organisation.

ORDERED that;

1. the contents of the report be noted.
2. the increased savings on the 10 year contract of £4.1m be noted.
3. the way changes have been managed to deliver significant additional savings in the early part of the contract when the financial pressures on the Authority are the greatest be noted.
4. as with the previous indications of savings on this Project that the outsourcing, as a minimum, of a further 100 FTE Police Officer roles prior to April 2011 underpin all of the calculations of savings and if this doesn't happen in a timely manner there will be a significant impact on the finances of not just this project but the Finances of the Authority as a whole, be noted.

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MINUTES OF THE OPERATIONAL POLICING PANEL HELD ON 23 SEPTEMBER 2010.

OPERATIONAL POLICING PANEL

A meeting of the Operational Policing Panel was held on Thursday 23 September 2010 commencing at 10.30 am in the Police Authority Members Room at Police Headquarters.

PRESENT

Councillor Barry Coppinger (Chair), Mr Chris Coombs (Vice Chair), Mayor Stuart Drummond, Miss Pam Andrews-Mawer, Mr Aslam Hanif, Councillor Carl Richardson, Mr Geoff Fell, Councillor Hazel Pearson OBE and Councillor Mary Lanigan.

ADDITIONAL
ATTENDEES

Councillor Ron Lowes

OFFICIALS

Mrs Joanne Hodgkinson, Mrs Sarah Wilson and Mr John Bage (CE)

ACC Sean White, ACC Dave Pickard and Miss Kate Rowntree (CC).

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APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Dave McLuckie (ex officio) and Mr Peter Race MBE (ex officio).

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DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

There were no declarations of interest

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 22 JULY 2010

Members sought assurance regarding cost recovery for assistance given to a recent incident in Northumbria.

The Assistant Chief Constable Crime Operations, informed Members that full costs would be recovered and that the process would be concluded shortly.

Members then accepted that the minutes were a true and accurate reflection of the meeting.

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OUTSTANDING RECOMMENDATIONS

ORDERED that:-

1. the outstanding recommendations be noted.

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FORCE PERFORMANCE REPORT (APRIL TO AUGUST 2010)

The Assistant Chief Constable presented the report to Members on Force performance to August 2010.

Progress against the Policing Plan Priority was monitored using the Priority Indicator Set. The Priority Indicator Set provided a reduced suite of

performance measures (i.e. 'a performance dashboard'), which aimed to reflect outcome performance in relation to the local policing priority and the Chief Constables vision of Putting People First.

For 2010-11, there are 18 performance measures within the Priority Indicator Set. Of these, 5 are green, 4 are amber, 7 are red and 2 are yet to be assessed.

However, Members were informed that recorded crime continued to fall significantly. The annual target for 2010-11 was a reduction of 5.1%. The actual year to date figures showed an overall decrease of 9.8% (2,061 less crimes) when compared to last year. Reductions were been achieved in the target crime categories of most serious violence, assault with less serious injury, house burglary, vehicle crime, robbery, criminal damage and other theft.

The Chair enquired as to what the actual figures were for the most serious violent crime.

The Assistant Chief Constable Territorial Operations informed Members that the figures for this category across the whole of Cleveland were approx. 27 per month.

Members expressed concern regarding the levels of drunken or rowdy behaviour and queried if the level of drunken or rowdy behaviour was linked to the licensing laws and the availability of cheap alcohol.

Members were informed that there is a link between such and that the Force are committed to combating such activities.

Members were informed that the Force are making good progress in relation to the delivery of the 2010-11 Policing Plan Priority. The Force continued to achieve high levels of public confidence and satisfaction whilst reducing crime significantly and increasing detections.

ORDERED that;

1. the Force performance against targets be noted.

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ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR UPDATE

The Assistant Chief Constable Territorial Operations informed members that Anti-social behaviour is any activity that impacts on other people in a negative way. Anti-social behaviour includes a variety of behaviours covering a whole range of selfish and unacceptable activities that can blight the quality of life within communities.

Most types of anti-social behaviour fit into one of three categories: street problems, nuisance neighbours or environmental crime. The categories cover a wide range of conduct from youths behaving aggressively in shopping precincts to dog fouling and the misuse of fireworks. The full list of categories was at Appendix 1 to the report.

Members were informed that for the current financial year to date there had been 25,479 reported incidents of anti-social behaviour. This compared to 30,389 incidents reported during the same period the previous year, a decrease of 16.2%.

The Assistant Chief Constable Territorial Operations informed members that the Force underwent an Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary (HMIC) inspection of anti-social behaviour in June 2010, during which time the inspectors interviewed a range of members of staff along with representatives from the Police Authority. The Force received a draft report from the inspectors in July and is currently reviewing the content of this report in preparation of the final report being issued. The report was issued on the morning of this Panel meeting.

Members queried whether the late night licensing laws contributed to the levels of anti social behaviour.

The Assistant Chief Constable Territorial Operations confirmed that there was a link between anti social behaviour and cheap available alcohol.

Members requested for future reports, that statistical information produced by the Force should also be accompanied by a data set including the percentage of incidents per population shown by District.

ACC Territorial
Ops.

Members enquired if the Force received complaints from 'serial' complainants.

The Assistant Chief Constable Territorial Operations informed Members that they do receive complaints from some members of the public on numerous occasions, however all calls are logged and recorded, and utilized for intelligence purposes.

ORDERED that;

1. the report be noted

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SPEED AWARENESS COURSE UPDATE

The Assistant Chief Constable Crime Operations informed members that the purpose of the report was to provide Members with a summary of the speed awareness course provision between 1st January 2010 and 6th August 2010.

Members were informed that the national speed awareness element of the National Driver Offenders Rehabilitation Scheme (NDORS) is currently offered to members of the public who have exceeded the speed limit by margins of between 10%+2 and 10%+6. The course is offered as an alternative disposal method to the issue of a fixed penalty notice and penalty points on their licence.

Between 1st January and 6th August 2010, 5,894 clients have attended courses. The average 'take up' rate for clients referred to the Local Authority Road Safety Partnership (LARSP) currently stands at 94%, with only 6% of clients declining a course after the original offer is made. The gender breakdown of those attending the course was shown at Appendix 1 to the report.

The Assistant Chief Constable Crime Operations informed Members that in June 2010, the Department for Transport (DfT) announced a reduction in the area based grant allocations awarded to local authorities for road safety partnerships. This equated to a 26.6% reduction in revenue budgets and the

full removal of all capital budgets.

At a meeting of the Strategic Road Safety Partnership in July 2010, a decision was made to explore the options available to continue with speed enforcement in Cleveland and the processing of clients onto offender re-training courses. The options included:

- Option 1 - Dissolving the partnership
- Option 2 - Continuing with a reduced enforcement capability
- Option 3 - Adopting a local model of offender retraining courses

Members were informed that Option 3 was selected as the preferred option and it was agreed that the scheme be extended to include a series of course options for use by Cleveland Police as an alternative to prosecution for a range of reportable traffic offences i.e. use of mobile telephones, non-wearing of seatbelts etc.

Members expressed concern over the reduction of funding and queried if it were possible to increase the cost of the course to clients.

The Assistant Chief Constable informed Members that considerations had taken place on a number of areas and that the charging for the course was a delicate balance between funding the course at the correct rate to attract clients and raising the charge too much detracting them from attending. There is also considerations being given to extending the course to a full day for those caught at 10% +6.

ORDERED that;

1. the report be noted.
2. an updated report be brought in 6 months be agreed.

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POLICING PLEDGE UPDATE

The Assistant Chief Constable Territorial Operations informed Members that in December 2008 the Home Office introduced the Policing Pledge, in the Policing Green Paper – 'From the neighbourhood to the national: policing our communities together', (Home Office 2008). The Pledge is the police service's commitment to the public and sets out minimum standards of service they can expect to receive.

The overall impact of the pledge is expected to be an improvement in public confidence. The pledge is endorsed by ACPO nationally and the Chief Constable signed up to delivering the Pledge commitments on behalf of the Authority and Force. Delivery of the pledge is monitored by HMIC through their inspection process. A sub-group of the Citizen Focus project board was established to develop systems to meet the Policing Pledge. This sub-group reports to and is monitored by the Citizen Focus Project Board chaired by the Assistant Chief Constable (Territorial Operations). The Authority has both Officer and Member representation on the project board.

Members were informed that in June 2010 the new Home Secretary announced that the single measure confidence target and the Policing Pledge were to be scrapped.

The Assistant Chief Constable Territorial Operations informed Members that

whilst the Coalition Government have withdrawn political support for the Policing Pledge. The Force plans to continue to drive performance within the ten key areas of the Pledge and will discuss at a future point the 'positioning' of Cleveland Police around the Pledge.

ORDERED that;

1. the report be noted.

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END OF YEAR AUTHORITY CONSULTATION REPORT

The Consultation & Performance Officer informed Members that the report presented the findings of consultation activities undertaken by Cleveland Police Authority, Cleveland Police and partner agencies from October 2009 to September 2010.

Members were informed that the joint Force and Authority Local Confidence Survey was introduced in October 2009, and replaced the previous Neighbourhood Survey. The survey was conducted via telephone interview by an independent research company. Between October 2009 and January 2010, 2400 interviews were conducted in order to establish a statistically significant and representative baseline sample from each of the four policing Districts. From April 2010 onwards interviews have been conducted on a rolling basis, with 2400 undertaken per year.

Members were informed that the full list of consultation activities carried out over the indicated time periods was found at Appendix 1 to the report.

Demographic data on age, gender and ethnicity was collected, which enabled the Force and Authority to determine if certain sectors of the population are under represented in the survey results. If this was found to be the case, then additional consultation activities were organised with the under represented groups. If results indicate that a particular issue was a concern in a particular area then an additional consultation was arranged to explore the issue in greater depth.

The Consultation & Performance Officer informed members that the Police Act 1996, as amended by the Police and Justice Act 2006, stipulated that the Force and Authority will produce an annual, rolling three year Policing Plan which will be informed by the consultation activities.

Members queried why certain 'crucial crew' type activities were only carried out in two of the four policing Districts.

The Consultation & Performance Officer informed Members that it was difficult to take part in certain areas, as the time periods available were taken up by organisations currently carrying out such.

ORDERED that;

1. cognisance be taken of the consultation findings at Appendix 1 to the report, to assist in setting the local policing priorities for 2011 – 2012, be agreed.

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CONSULTATION STRATEGY 2010 – 2013

The Strategy Manager informed Members that the Joint Consultation

Strategy was last approved by the Community Protection Panel on 22nd April 2009. The Joint Consultation Strategy had been updated to take account of the new 2010 Police Authority Community Engagement and Membership regulations (Policing and Crime Act 2009).

In addition, to ensure the consultation strategy (2009-2012) was fit for purpose and offered value for money an independent evaluation was commissioned in May 2010.

Members were informed that the updated Consultation Strategy (2010-2013) had been received to take into account the key findings of the evaluation report.

The Joint Consultation Strategy will enable Cleveland Police and Police Authority to effectively engage with local people. The strategy will ensure that a structured, well planned programme of consultation activity is integrated into Cleveland Police and Police Authority's planning processes.

The Chair reminded Members that the Neighbourhood Police Teams have on-going consultation with the many communities they serve and queried if this information is fed into the process.

The Strategy Manager informed Members that the information was included into the strategy document and that a report is to be brought to the next Panel meeting on Ward priorities.

ORDERED that;

1. the revised Joint Consultation Strategy be agreed.

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MINUTES OF THE STRATEGIC PERFORMANCE GROUP

Members inspected the minutes of the Strategic Performance Group meetings held on:

- 25 June 2010
- 29 July 2010
- 27 August 2010

ORDERED that;

1. the minutes of the above meetings be noted.

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MINUTES OF THE LEADERSHIP PANEL HELD ON 27 SEPTEMBER 2010.

LEADERSHIP PANEL

A meeting of the Leadership Panel was held on Monday 27 September 2010 in the Members Conference Room at Police Headquarters.

PRESENT:

Miss Pam Andrews-Mawer, Mr Chris Coombs, Cllr Barry Coppinger, Mr Ted Cox JP, Mr. Aslam Hanif, Mr Mike McGrory, Cllr Dave McLuckie (Chair). and Mr. Peter Race MBE
Mr Michael Porter, Treasurer

ADDITIONAL
MEMBERS

Mr Geoff Fell

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APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Mrs Julie Leng.

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DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

There were no declarations of interests.

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MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 20 JULY 2010

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 20 July 2010 were accepted as a true and accurate record.

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POLICE AUTHORITY BUSINESS PLAN UPDATE

The Treasurer advised Members that there were no additional updates since the last meeting. It was anticipated that the next impact on the Business Plan would be the Comprehensive Spending Review which was due on 20 October 2010.

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POLICE AUTHORITY RISK REGISTER – SEPTEMBER 2010

The Treasurer provided Members with the opportunity to review and authorise changes to the Cleveland Police Authority (CPA) Risk Register and Action Plan.

The Cleveland Police Authority Risk Register is updated after scrutiny by the monthly Joint Risk Management Group and the Audit and Internal Control Panel.

At the July meeting of the Joint Risk Management Group and the agreed August meeting of the Audit and Internal Control Panel it was agreed to insert relevant items from the Cleveland Police Authority Baseline Assessment – a risk identification exercise first carried out in January – onto the CPA Risk Register. In addition to this various partnership risks have been identified around funding of PCSOs and the Sexual Assault Referral Centre (SARC), and the Police Authority Inspection highlighted a perceived weakness in the scrutiny of protective services. This was further discussed at the August Joint Risk Management Group meeting and the CPA Risk Register attached at Appendix A to the report and the Action Plan at Appendix B have been amended accordingly.

Members were asked to note that Project I risks were considered on an emerging risk register maintained by the Project Team and that at the July Joint Risk Management Group it was agreed that these risks would be refined and assessed in order to migrate them to the Force Strategic Risk Register or the CPA Risk Register in the near future.

Future risks associated with new Government Polices on Policing will have to be considered as and when proposals are forthcoming for inclusion in legislation and regulation. It was noted that future funding risks were already included in the Risk Register together with an indication that there are potential governance risks. A further area for consideration would be the impact of Government proposals for VfM initiatives, such as central

procurement and forced collaboration, on the Project I contract.

This report is part of the ongoing process within both the Authority and the Force to embed risk management in every aspect of the business.

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EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

ORDERED that pursuant to the Local Government Act 1972 the press and public be excluded from the meeting under paragraphs 1 and 3 Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

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POLICE AUTHORITY BUDGET 2010 / 11 and SAVINGS FOR FUTURE YEARS

The Treasurer provided Members with an update on expenditure to the end of August 2010 against the 2010/11 budget and also set targets for future savings and highlight areas where these saving could potentially be developed from.

The spreadsheet attached at Appendix A to the report detailed the Outturn for 2009/2010, the original budget for 2010/11 and progress to date against the 2010/11 budget.

This report updated Members on the progress against the 2010/11 budget and to involve Members in future plans and options to reduce spend in the future in line with the expected reductions in grant funding.

Members were aware of the expected budget cuts that were likely to impact from 2011-12 onwards. The current estimate of the size and phasing of these reductions was summarized in Appendix B in terms of forecast reductions in the Net Budget Requirement (NBR).

The proposal was that the Authority set targets to deliver savings from its current budget that are in line with the expected reductions in NBR over the next 4 years.

Appendix A detailed the 201-11 budget and actual expenditure so that Members could consider which areas they feel were appropriate to make savings and/or reductions in.

This report was part of the ongoing process within the Authority to improve governance in every aspect of the business.

ORDERED that:-

1. The budget to the end of August was slightly under spent after removing the impact of the one off expenditure relating to the previous redundancy be noted.
2. The methodology, as per paragraphs .3. and 3.4, for setting the savings targets for future years' budgets be approved.
3. The areas where future savings were expected to be developed be noted and that it would require difficult decision on where to reduce spending for all areas within the Authority's budget.

ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE

The Treasurer sought Members approval to extend the current Acting arrangements in relation to the Chief Executive post on a ongoing basis until May 2012.

Following the Leadership Panel meeting on 23 February 2010 and subsequent report to the Police Authority Executive on 25 June 2010 Members agreed that the Deputy Chief Executive should fulfill the position of Chief Executive on an Acting basis for a period of six months commencing on 1 July 2010 during which time the role would be reviewed and advertised.

Since that decision was taken the Government has put forward proposals to change the current Governance arrangements with a view to implementing any new arrangements from May 2012.

During this consultation and period of uncertainty it was felt that it would be inappropriate to advertise the role of Chief Executive as any contract would have to be offered on a short fixed term contract or risk facing a redundancy situation in May 2012.

It was proposed that the current Acting Chief Executive should remain until May 2012 when the new Governance arrangements are introduced. This similar decision has been taken in other Police Authority's. This would ensure that the Authority continues to be appropriately management during the transitional arrangements.

ORDERED that:-

1. the current Acting Chief Executive arrangements be extended until May 2012 subject to satisfactory performance reviews.
2. the remuneration package detailed within the report be agreed.
3. the job description attached at Appendix 1 to the report be agreed.

MINUTES OF THE POLICE AUTHORITY EXECUTIVE HELD ON 29 SEPTEMBER 2010

ORDERED that the minutes of the Police Authority Executive held on 29 September 2010 were submitted and approved and signed by the Chair as a true and accurate record.

MINUTES OF THE AUDIT & INTERNAL CONTROL PANEL HELD ON 21 OCTOBER 2010**AUDIT AND INTERNAL CONTROL PANEL****ACTION**

A meeting of the Audit and Internal Control Panel was held on Thursday 21 October 2010 commencing at 10.30 am in the Members Conference Room, Police Headquarters.

PRESENT

Mr Mike McGrory JP (Chair), Mr Peter Hadfield (Vice Chair), Mr Geoff Fell, Councillor Mary Lanigan, Mr Chris Coombs and Councillor Caroline Barker, Mr

Ron Lowes, Mayor Stuart Drummond and Councillor Dave McLuckie (ex officio)

OFFICIALS Mr Michael Porter, Mrs Julie Leng and Mr John Bage (CE).
Mr Derek Bonnard, Mrs Ann Hall and Miss Kate Rowntree (CC).

AUDITORS Mrs Sue Turner, Mr Ian Wallace – Internal Auditor (RSM Tenon),
Mr Paul Heppell and Ms Lynne Snowball – External Auditor (Audit Commission)

322 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Mr Peter Race MBE (ex officio).

323 **DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**

There were no declarations of interest.

324 **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD 10 AUGUST 2010**

The minutes were agreed as a true and accurate record.

325 **OUTSTANDING RECOMMENDATIONS**

ORDERED that:-

1. the Outstanding Recommendations were noted and updated.

326 **EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC ACCESS**

The Acting Chief Executive informed and updated Members on the contents within the Code of Corporate Governance which determine the instances where it is appropriate for Members to consider passing a resolution to exclude the press and public from Police Authority Meetings.

Members were informed that the Code of Corporate Governance contained within it, the Standing Orders which regulate the proceedings of Cleveland Police Authority. Standing Order No. 10 which was attached at Appendix A to the report regulated the instances when the Exclusion of Public Access is appropriate and where reports may be considered 'Below the Line'.

A Member proposed a Motion that the issue of Public Access be brought to a full Police Authority Executive for consideration, citing that all agenda items should be in the public domain.

Members expressed their content that the business debated by Panels, which have plenary powers, is sufficiently and effectively controlled and agreed that there may be occasions when Members should have the authority to debate issues in private.

A Member suggested that the report should go to the Police Authority Executive unless the Monitoring Officer for the Police Authority indicated

otherwise. Members were informed that there was a duty of care to the public for openness and that the 'public interest test' needed to be applied.

The Secretariat Support Manager informed Members that exemptions are permitted by statute under the Local Government Act 1972. He informed Members that the reason they are in place is to protect individuals and / or organisations and also because the Police Authority must ensure that the public interest in maintaining any exemption, will always outweigh the public interest in disclosing the information.

The Chair asked the Member if they wish to proceed with the proposed Motion.

The Member withdrew the proposed Motion.

ORDERED that;

1. the report be noted.
2. the contents of Standing Order No 10 – Exclusion of Public Access be noted.

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INTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT

The Internal Auditor informed Members that the periodic internal audit plan for 2010/11 was approved by the Audit and Internal Control Panel on 03 June 2010.

Members were informed the report summarised the outcome of work completed to date against that plan. Appendix A to the report outlined the detailed internal audit plan approved by the Panel, whilst Appendices B and C provide cumulative data in support of internal audit performance.

Members were informed that a meeting had taken place on 25 August 2010 with representatives from both the Authority and the Force to ascertain whether Project I would have an impact upon the Internal Audit Plan for 2010/11. The outcome of this meeting was that there are no changes required to the Internal Audit Plan.

ORDERED that;

1. the report be noted.
2. the proposed amendments made in para 6.1 of the report be agreed.

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CONTRACT MONITORING / MANAGEMENT

The Internal Auditor informed Members that the fundamental responsibility for the selection and formation of contracts for Cleveland Police Authority lies within the central Commissioning Unit. The recently implemented Procurement Transformation Project sought to improve the overall management of contracts through the use of Category Management.

Each member of the Commissioning Unit had been assigned a number of categories from which to assist contract owners in monitoring the performance and compliance of contractors. This aimed to drive contract owners to establish their own system of controls to ensure contracts were delivered efficiently, while freeing resources in the Commissioning Unit.

Members sought assurance that the indicated reductions in staffing posed no risk to the organisation.

The Assistant Chief Officer Finance & Commissioning informed Members that the suggested reductions in staffing included abstractions of staff to Project I and the MPR process. She further informed that 94% of the Forces contracts are part of a national contractual arrangement. This then ensured that a degree of work in relation to checking viability had already been carried out prior to arriving at Force.

ORDERED that;

1. the report be noted.

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COMPLIANCE WITH CONTRACT STANDING ORDERS

The Internal Auditor informed members that the Force's Procurement Transformation Programme commenced in February 2009 and had reviewed the entire procurement process across the Force.

This had realigned to modern best practices; this had been completed in March 2010. Strategic Procurement sat within the Commissioning Service Unit at the Authority's Headquarters and dealt with high value/high risk and EU procurement. In addition, they provided support, advice and guidance to Service Units with regard to procurement issues.

Members were informed that the organisation had introduced an E-Procurement system in mid-2005 and the use of Blue Light E-Tendering in April 2009 in order to streamline the procurement process.

Relevant training had been provided on the systems in place to staff involved in the procurement process. The organisation had provided additional training to ICT and Estates where strategic procurement had devolved responsibility for quotations up to £50,000. Procurement expenditure focused on the value spent with supplier and this expenditure amounts to £46 million.

ORDERED that;

1. the report be noted.

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DATA QUALITY REPORT

The Internal Auditor informed Members that the Incident Control Room is often the first point of contact for members of the public when dealing with the police. The Force's ability to communicate effectively with the public is a critical factor in achieving their goals of reducing crime and making people feel safer, while protecting and enhancing the reputation of the Force.

Members were informed that the Communications Department is split into

three parts: the Incident Control Room, Dispatches, and the Crime Bureau. The Incident Control Room deals with all emergency and non-emergency calls from members of the public who call to report crimes and incidents and make general enquiries. The centre receives an average of 1000 calls per day and aims to answer these calls within 30 seconds for non 999 and within 10 seconds for 999 calls.

All calls received by the Incident Control Room are entered onto ICAD (IntergraphCAD) and information is transferred to IRIS (Integrated Records Information System) at set intervals throughout the day. The IRIS system records details of people, organisation, businesses, property, location, events, association, vehicles and the sophisticated relationship between them to create a profile of an individual.

The Force is governed by a number of quality standards which include the National Crime Records Standards (NCRS), the National Standards of Incident Recording (NSIR) and the Home Office Counting Rules.

Members sought assurance regarding the time delay in the switching of data from the iCAD system to the IRIS system.

The Deputy Chief Constable informed Members that there was currently an on-going project and are working with Steria to consider this. In addition this area of work is currently on the Risk Register to ensure that strategic governance of the Force is adhered to. Currently the present delay is not an operational problem.

ORDERED that;

1. the report be noted.

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ANNUAL AUDIT LETTER

The External Auditor informed Members that the audit of the financial statements and the Audit Commissions assessment of the Police Authority's arrangements to achieve value for money in your use of resources formed the basis of the report.

The Audit Commission referred Members to page 4 of the report where Members were given the conclusions of the report.

The Audit Commission informed Members of a specific issue arising during the audit, the Audit Commission suggested that members should consider recommendations to improve any decision making process, namely;

- ensure that Committees and Panels of the Authority only consider issues within their terms of reference and the Authority's scheme of delegation;
- ensure appropriate professional advice, including financial, legal and human resource advice as appropriate for all reports, with all relevant information reported to ensure an informed decision making process.

The Chair of the Police Authority thanked the Audit Commission for their extremely helpful and enlightening report. He informed the meeting that the Police Authority can build on the positive aspects of the report in the

challenging times ahead. He confirmed to the Audit Commission that the Police Authority do ensure that every penny spent is done so as effectively and efficiently as possible.

The Chair of the Police Authority informed Members that in response to the Audit Commission's review of a specific issue, he could not at this stage agree with their findings. He informed the Panel that the Police Authority always ensures that its Panels consider issues within their Terms of Reference and always takes the appropriate professional advice.

The Chair of the Police Authority then explained to the Panel, in detail, the process that was taken regarding this matter, this included the full legal and financial positions for which advice had been sought. He informed Members that Counsel were very clear in their position that Panels with "Delegated Powers" can make their own decisions.

Members were informed that with reference to the request for additional audit fees, the Chair of the Police Authority explained to the Panel that any auditing body would expect the Police Authority to request a detailed breakdown of why there was a necessity for additional fees. The Police Authority do not feel it unreasonable to request information for this level of scrutiny

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EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

ORDERED that pursuant to the Local Government Act 1972 the press and public be excluded from the meeting under Paragraph 7 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

333

STRATEGIC RISK MANAGEMENT & SERVICE CONTINUITY PLANNING – REPORT OF THE CHIEF CONSTABLE

The Deputy Chief Constable informed Members that the purpose of the report is to provide Members with an update on progress in implementing both risk management and service continuity planning in the Force and to increase awareness of the strategic risks facing the Force.

Members raised a number of queries on the Risk Register which were answered by the Deputy Chief Constable to the satisfaction of Members.

Members sought assurance regarding the issue of both the Force and Steria mitigating Risk.

The Deputy Chief Constable informed Members that both organisations implement risk management processes and that a number of staff had been transferred to aid continuity.

Members were informed that the Force's integrated approach to strategic risk management and service continuity planning is progressing on a systematic basis with the intention of developing robust risk management and service continuity plans and embedding a risk management culture by March 2011.

ORDERED that;

1. the report be noted.

CLOSE OF MEETING

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MINUTES OF THE PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS PANEL HELD ON 27 OCTOBER 2010

PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS PANEL

ACTION

A meeting of the Professional Standards Panel was held on Wednesday 27th October 2010 in the Members Conference Room at Police Headquarters.

PRESENT: Mr Ted Cox JP (Chair), Mr Peter Hadfield, Mr Aslam Hanif, Cllr Mary Lanigan (Vice Chair), Mr Mike McGrory, Cllr Hazel Pearson OBE, Mr Peter Race MBE.

OFFICIALS: DCC Bonnard, Inspector Ian Kelly (Professional Standards), Mrs Jacqueline Chaffey (Legal) and Miss Kate Rowntree (CC)
Mrs Jayne Harpe (CE)

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APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Caroline Barker, Cllr Ron Lowes, Cllr Dave McLuckie (ex officio), Superintendent Martin Campbell and Mrs Joanne Monkman.

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DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

There were no declarations of interests.

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MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING 2 FEBRUARY 2010

The minutes of 29th July omitted apologies from Cllr Hazel Pearson OBE and Superintendent Martin Campbell. The minutes to be amended accordingly.

338

OUTSTANDING RECOMMENDATIONS

The Chair had requested a verbal update on the statistics pertaining to TASER usage. A verbal update was given by Inspector Kelly. This item now discharged.

339

CIVIL CLAIM STATISTICS

The Legal Advisor presented the Civil Claim Statistics for the period 1st April 2010 – 30th September 2010. The Panel was informed of the number and types of civil claims against the Force received during that period, the amount paid out for those claims finalised during the period and the amount recovered. The report also detailed a comparison between the Basic Command Units.

The Deputy Chief Constable asked Members if they would like the format of the report changing to incorporate trend information, this was welcomed by the Panel.

ORDERED that:

1. Members noted there had been a 4.22% (3) decrease in number of claims received when compared with the same period last year. Public liability was the leading category.

2. There had been a 48% increase in the number of claims finalised when compared with the same period last year.
3. 44.15% (34) of finalised cases during the period were successfully defended which was to be compared with 28.85% successfully defended during the same period last year.
4. The 43 cases settled during the period cost the Force £302,690. This was to be compared with the 37 cases settled during the same period last year at a cost of £164,610.
5. Headquarters was the area with most claims. These included claims connected with public, motor, Custody and Roads Policing Unit.
6. The contents of the report be noted.

340

COMPLAINTS AGAINST POLICE

An representative from Professional Standards Department presented the Complaints Against Police for the period 1st July 2010 to 30th September 2010. The Quarterly Progress Report on Complaint Issues for Cleveland Police for the period 1st July to 30th September 2010 was attached to the report. The report was produced in this format to be National Intelligence Model (NIM) Compliant.

There had been a 5% decrease in the number of cases recorded during that period (129 to 122), with a 12% increase in the number of complaints (198 to 221).

Complaints of "other neglect/failure in duty" and "Incivility" continued to outnumber those of "Assault" allegations, 42 and 44 complaints respectively, compared to 37 in the "Assault" categories.

33% (51) of completed complaints had been locally resolved. During that period 80% (41) of locally resolved complaints had been by District and 20% (10) by the Professional Standards Department.

There had been a decrease in the number of cases, and an increase in the number of complaints during the reporting period. Lessons continued to be learned from the complaints raised which were identified in the report.

182 letters of appreciation had been received and broken down as follows:

Hartlepool	16
Redcar & Cleveland	28
Middlesbrough	18
Stockton	25
Crime Operations	1
Specialist Ops & Coms	94

ORDERED that:

1. The contents of the report be noted.

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DELIBERATE DAMAGE STATISTICS

The Deputy Chief Constable informed Members of the cost to the Force of deliberate damage by way of forced entry into premises for the period 1st July 2010 to 30th September 2010 and of the operational results achieved through such forced entry and other premises searches.

Members were informed that the Force had paid out £6,992 in compensation for acts of deliberate damage, this compared to £12,762 paid out in the same period during the previous year. Whilst 2738 searches were conducted, only 201 (7.3%) resulted in deliberate damage compared to 7.9% in the previous year. The value of property, cash and drugs seized totaled £1,034,394 (including a pick-up truck and a 3 series BMW) compared to £740,429 seized during the same period in 2009.

ORDERED that:

1. The contents of the report be noted.
2. The operational benefits accruing to the Force in terms of property, drugs and cash seized, outweigh the cost of the damage claims be noted.

342

EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

ORDERED that pursuant to Section 100a(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, excluding the press and public from the meeting under Paragraphs 1 and 7 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

343

CASES FROM THE COMPLAINTS REGISTER

Members of the Complaints Panel were shown the cases from the Complaints Register which had previously been selected by the Panel Chair.

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MINUTES OF THE POLICY & RESOURCES PANEL HELD ON 28 OCTOBER 2010

POLICY & RESOURCES

A meeting of the Policy & Resources Panel was held on Thursday 28 October 2010, commencing at 10.00 am in the Members Conference Room at Police Headquarters.

PRESENT

Mr Aslam Hanif (Chair), Councillor Hazel Pearson OBE (Vice Chair), Councillor Barry Coppinger, Miss Pam Andrews-Mawer, Councillor Ron Lowes, Mr Peter Race MBE (ex officio), Councillor Paul Kirton and Councillor Carl Richardson.

OFFICIALS

Mr Michael Porter and Mr John Bage (CE).
Mr Sean Price, Mr Derek Bonnard, Mrs Anne Hall and Miss Kate Rowntree (CC).

345

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Dave McLuckie (ex officio) and Mr Ted Cox JP.

346

DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

There were no declarations of interests.

Action

347 **MINUTES OF THE POLICY & RESOURCES PANEL HELD ON 26 AUGUST 2010**

The minutes were agreed as a true and accurate record.

348 **OUTSTANDING RECOMENDATIONS**

ORDERED that:-

1. the Outstanding Recommendations be noted.

349 **BUDGET MONITORING REPORT to 31 AUGUST 2010**

The Assistant Chief Officer Finance + Commissioning (ACO F&C) presented the report. Members were reminded that on 25 February 2010 they had approved a Net Budget Requirement (NBR) of £132,172k and budgeted revenue expenditure of £149,573k, the balance of expenditure being funded by specific grants, other income and transfers from reserves. The report set out the year end position against delivery of that budget and was part of the process introduced by the Authority to maintain prudent financial management.

Members were informed that the Authority is on target to deliver a £350k under spend against the revised expenditure plan for 2010/11. The position to date and the year-end forecast were shown at Appendix A to the report. No material risks, other than those set out in the Risk Monitor at Appendix D to the report, had been identified to this position.

The Assistant Chief Officer Finance + Commissioning (ACO F&C) highlighted to Members a risk already previously identified within the risk register due to the crystallisation of holidays owing for staff transferring to Steria on 1st October 2010.

She drew Members attention to the fact that the risk had been identified as being £275,000 but had, through the MPR process and hard work of manager and all staff, been reduced to some £55,000.

However, Members were informed that People and Diversity are managing the process and communicating with all staff in order to minimise the impact.

ORDERED that:-

1. the report be noted.

350 **CAPITAL MONITORING TO 31 AUGUST 2010**

The Assistant Chief Officer Finance & Commissioning (ACO F+C) reminded Members that they had approved the capital programme of £10,209k for 2010/11 and the capital plan for 2010/14 at their meeting on 25th February 2010. Members were informed that the report set out the progress against delivery of the programme and is part of the process introduced by the Authority to maintain prudent financial management.

Members were informed that the programme included new schemes;

schemes carried forward from 2009/10 and unallocated funding. Subject to Members approving the proposed changes, along with the previous approved changes shown in Appendix B to the report, the budget now stood at £11,345k in 2010/11.

The Assistant Chief Officer Finance & Commissioning (ACO F+C) informed Members that the £3.5k indicated at para 3.2 to the report on the Vulnerable Persons Unit (VPU), related to invoices being received in 2010/11 for work which needed to be capitalised and therefore funds had been transferred from the revenue budget to accommodate this.

The Assistant Chief Officer Finance & Commissioning (ACO F+C) informed Members that the HQ Lift Replacement was now underway and would be done with-in the current financial year.

ORDERED that:-

1. the report be noted.
2. the funding from revenue of £3.5k of capital costs in relation to VPU be noted.

351

TREASURY MANAGEMENT TO 31 AUGUST 2010

The Assistant Chief Officer Finance & Commissioning (ACO F+C) reminded Members that they agreed an investment strategy for 2010/11 in line with the CIPFA Code of Practice at their meeting on 25th February 2010. The report was to update Members on the status of the Authority's investments and borrowing. It is part of the process introduced by the Authority to maintain prudent financial management.

Members were informed that conditions within the Financial Markets remain significantly less turbulent than they had been, however the Force continued to only place investments with a select few institutions and where possible the Force primarily placed those investments where the money is instantly accessible.

The protection of the Authority's underlying investments will continue to be of utmost importance throughout 2010/11. To that end the investments of the Authority will continue to be placed in a prudent manner and also one that ensures sufficient funds are available to meet its' commitments as they become due.

ORDERED that:-

1. the report be noted.

352

SICKNESS ABSENCE REPORTING

The Deputy Chief Constable updated Members on sickness absence levels for the financial year to 31st March 2010 and provided an update for the first four months of the current financial year to 31st July 2010.

Members were informed that the Home Office figures for the year ending March 2010 showed that the sickness rate for Cleveland Police Officers had been maintained at 2.7%. Furthermore the rate for police staff had shown

another improvement to 3.8%.

This kept Cleveland top of our Most Similar Force (MSF) group for Police Officer sickness, and second top for police staff. The police officer rate was also reflected on a national basis where there are only three Forces who had a rate better than 2.7% during this period. The national average was 3.7%. The police staff rate of 3.8% is below the national average of 4.3%.

Members congratulated the Force on its achievements and noted that this showed that it demonstrated an effective but caring management style.

Members commented that there is a direct correlation between absence and morale and during the recent business of transferring of staff there appeared to be a very good atmosphere.

Members requested that congratulations be passed onto all Police and Steria staff for their achievements.

ACO F+C

ORDERED that:-

1. the report be noted.

354

PROCUREMENT REPORT FOR THE REPAIR & MAINTENANCE OF POLICE VEHICLES

The Assistant Chief Officer Finance & Commissioning (ACO F+C) informed Members that the purpose of the report was to advise Members of the procurement process undertaken during the recent tender exercise for the 'Maintenance and Repairs of Police Vehicles'.

Members were informed that the current contract is split into five separate agreements in order to cover each of the four Districts and HQ, with each of the areas covered by a different service provider. This approach had proven to offer best value and helps to minimise officer downtime when vehicles require servicing or urgent repair works.

The procurement process had been completed in line with European Legislation. The use of the open procedure gave an opportunity for all interested parties to participate. The tender submission had fully met the specification required by Cleveland Police. The Evaluation Team are fully confident that the procurement process had achieved Best Value.

ORDERED that:-

1. the procurement method, analysis used and the recommendation put forward by the Evaluation Team be noted.
2. the four submitted tenders (3, 4, 5 & 6) as the best value solution, be agreed.

355

EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

ORDERED that pursuant to the Local Government Act 1972 the press and public be excluded from the meeting under Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

HMIC VALUE FOR MONEY UPDATE

The Treasurer updated Members on the HMIC Value for Money Profiles and to highlight those areas from a financial perspective where Cleveland Police are significantly different to both its Most Similar Group of Forces and all Forces in England and Wales.

Members were reminded that they received a report on the 27th January 2010 that established the importance of the HMIC Value for Money Profiles and how they link with the Police Report Card and the "balanced scorecard" approach that is under taken as part of this assessment. From this, HMIC would draw conclusions about the performance of individual Forces and Authorities.

Members sought assurance regarding the additional numbers of police officers as indicated at para 3.11 to the report.

The Chief Constable reassured Members that the greater numbers of police officers was due to the fact that following many consultation exercises, it had been apparent that this was exactly what the public demand.

Members were informed that this allowed a greater standard of neighbourhood policing, it had assisted in reducing crime and this had subsequently increased public confidence.

ORDERED that;

1. the contents of the report be noted.
2. the Value for Money Strategy referenced in the report to the June meeting is brought to the December meeting be agreed.
3. the future savings options, that are required to balance the 2011-12 budget and 2011-15 LTFP, utilise these summary findings as appropriate to develop savings and efficiencies while maintaining service levels and that the LTFP references how the planned savings will impact upon these Value for Money profiles be agreed.
4. due to the provision of higher than average levels of Police Officers, PCSO's and Police Support Staff, the resultant continuing reductions in crime, and increased levels of public confidence be noted.

357

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL POLICE AUTHORITY EXECUTIVE HELD ON 10 NOVEMBER 2010

ORDERED that the minutes of the Special Police Authority Executive held on 10 November 2010 were submitted and approved and signed by the Chair as a true and accurate record.

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MINUTES OF THE STRATEGIC AIR SUPPORT PANEL HELD ON 11 NOVEMBER 2010

STRATEGIC AIR SUPPORT

A meeting of the Strategic Air Support Panel was held on Thursday 11 November 2010 commencing at 2.00pm in the Members Conference Room at Police Headquarters.

PRESENT:

Mr Peter Race MBE (Chair), Mr Ted Cox JP (Vice Chair), Mr Chris Coombs and Councilor Ron Lowes.

OFFICIALS:

Mr John Bage (CE)
Mr Dave Pickard, Mr Simon Wilkinson and Miss Kate Rowntree (CC)

359

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councilor Dave McLuckie (ex officio) and Councillor Mary Lanigan.

360

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 12 AUGUST 2010

The minutes were held as a true and accurate record.

361

OUTSTANDING RECOMMENDATIONS

The Assistant Chief Constable (Crime Operations) updated Members on the National Air Support Service. The Unit Executive Officer (UEO) is monitoring this process, and will report back to the Panel when appropriate.

ORDERED that;

1. the Outstanding Recommendations were noted.

362

AIR OPERATIONS UNIT PERFORMANCE UPDATE

The Assistant Chief Constable (Crime Operations) informed Members that the report was to provide Members with an update on the performance and finances of the Air Operations Unit. The performance data was attached at Appendix A to the report.

The helicopter continued to perform extremely well and was involved almost daily in incidents which are significant for the Force.

Members requested if previous statistical information could be provided in reports as well as current data, so that comparisons can be made for

scrutiny purposes.

The Assistant Chief Constable (Crime Operations) confirmed to Members that this would be included from the next meeting.

ACC Crime Ops

ORDERED that;

1. the report be noted.

363

NATIONAL AIR SUPPORT SERVICE UPDATE

The Assistant Chief Constable (Crime Ops) updated Members on the latest developments with the proposals for a National Air Support Service.

Members were informed that a paper was presented at a recent Chief Constables Council by Chief Constable Alex Marshall and made a recommendation to change from the existing 31 bases, operating 33 aircraft, to a new model of 21 bases operating 23 aircraft.

The Cleveland based helicopter would be expected to cover where required, but in reality the Force would be regularly covering a lot of Durham's area and the northern half of North Yorkshire. It appeared that the Force would be expected to cover these other Forces, but with the same flying hours that they presently operate for Cleveland only.

The Assistant Chief Constable (Crime Ops) informed Members that the plans for a National Air Support Service are still being progressed and it is still the aim of having a fully operational national unit in place by April 2012. Members were informed that the aims of the scheme appeared laudable and with the present financial pressures there is the opportunity to make significant savings for the Force.

The Panel Chair informed Members that the decision to have two operational bases in the area vindicated Cleveland's decision to have their own air operations unit.

The Panel Chair to write to Brian Greenslade, APA representative dealing with national air operations.

Chair

ORDERED that:

1. the report be noted.

364

PROCUREMENT UPDATE IN RELATION TO THE PURCHASE OF THE NEW HELICOPTER

The Assistant Chief Constable (Crime Ops) informed Members that the report was to update Members on the purchase of the new helicopter.

Cleveland's new helicopter arrived in the UK in the summer and was now in the process of being painted and kitted out with all the specialist role equipment.

Members were informed that when the helicopter has had all the role equipment installed, the Unit Executive Officer (UEO) will attend Eurocopter for the full acceptance process.

ORDERED that:

1. the report be noted.

365

PROJECT I WIDER SCOPE

The Chairman informed Members that the report had not been finalized and that it would be brought for Members consideration early in 2011.

ORDERED that;

1. the Vice Chair, Chief Constable and Acting Chief Executive arranged for the report to be brought to a future Police Authority Executive meeting, be agreed.