

EXTRAORDINARY CLEVELAND POLICE AUTHORITY EXECUTIVE

An extraordinary meeting of Cleveland Police Authority Executive was held on Thursday 26 May 2011 in the Members Conference Room at Police HQ.

PRESENT: Councillor Paul Kirton, Councillor Ron Lowes, Councillor Mary Lanigan, Councillor Hazel Pearson OBE, Councillor Carl Richardson and Mayor Stuart Drummond.

Independent Members

Mr Peter Race MBE (Vice Chair), Miss Pam Andrews-Mawer, Mr Ted Cox JP, Mr Aslam Hanif, Mr Peter Hadfield, and Mr Chris Coombs.

OFFICIALS: Mrs Julie Leng, Mr John Bage and Mr Michael Porter (CE).

Mr Sean Price, Mr Derek Bonnard, Mr Sean White and Miss Kate Rowntree (CC).

453 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Councillor Barry Coppinger, Mr Geoff Fell, Mr Mike McGrory JP and Councillor Dave McLuckie.

454 **DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**

There were no declarations of interest.

455 **INTERIM APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR**

The Acting Chief Executive presented the report to Members and informed them that the report was to seek approval of interim appointments into the positions of Chair and Vice Chair of Cleveland Police Authority.

Members were informed that due to the resignation of Councillor Dave McLuckie as Chair of Cleveland Police Authority on 11 May 2011, it was essential that the Police Authority had in place Governance Procedures to enable the business of the Police Authority to continue.

ORDERED that;

1. Mr Peter Race MBE be appointed as interim Chair of Cleveland Police Authority until the 2011 Annual General

Meeting be agreed.

2. Mr Ted Cox JP be appointed as interim Vice Chair of Cleveland Police Authority until the 2011 Annual General Meeting be agreed.

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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 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

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FORENSIC SCIENCE SERVICE

The Assistant Chief Constable (Crime Ops) informed Members that the purpose of the report was to update Members on the current position regarding the closure of the Forensic Science Service (FSS) and options for the continued provision of forensic science services.

Members were informed that due to time constraints, it is needed to seek agreement from Police Authority Members to delegate authority to the Chief Executive and Chief Constable, in consultation with the Chair, to make the decisions in relation to the final preferred option and any associated procurement or contingencies.

ORDERED that;

1. the contents of this report be noted.
2. support to the continued pursuit of the AMA route as the preferred option at this stage be agreed.
3. support to continued parallel engagement with the NFFA Operation Slingshot procurement competition as an operational contingency be agreed.
4. delegated authority to the Chief Executive and Chief Constable, in consultation with the Chair, to make the decisions in relation to the final preferred option and any associated procurement or contingencies be agreed.

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WIDER SCOPE

Further to the paper 'Additional Scope Update' submitted to the Police Authority on 15th April 2011, Members would recall that a number of decisions, subject to further detailed contract

negotiations, were made and that this included the Prisoner Handling Team – being agreed to be outsourced to Steria/Reliance.

The in house Prisoner Handling proposal presented would generate significant savings over the remaining period of the contract (from 1st September 2011) compared with the current budget for provision of the service.

The proposal for modernising and civilianising Prisoner Handling Teams provided significant financial savings to the Authority in line with those that the long-term financial plan is built upon.

ORDERED that;

1. the contents of the report be noted.
2. the Prisoner Handling Team function is not outsourced as provisionally agreed and that the in-house 'Plan B' solution is progressed be agreed.