

The **POLICE AUTHORITY** met at **SHIRE HALL, WARWICK** on **14 SEPTEMBER 2011**

Present:-

Phil Robson (Independent Member) (**Chair**)
John Vereker (County Councillor) (**Vice-Chair**)

Independent Members:-

Mike Edwards, Ian Francis, Bob Malloy, Dorrette McAuslan, Angela O'Boyle and Clive Parsons

County Councillors:-

Peter Fowler, Carol Fox, Eithne Goode, Bob Hicks, Richard Hobbs, Frank McCarney and Phillip Morris-Jones

Police:-

Chief Constable Keith Bristow, Deputy Chief Constable Andy Parker, Richard Elkin, Supt Martin Samuel, Supt Debbie Tedds, Paul Mason-Brown, Marie Perry, Tania Coppola, Alison Hall, Mandy Crust and Carl Baldacchino

Police Authority:-

Oliver Winters, Neil Gulliver, Dave Clarke, Debbie Mullis and Victoria Newbold

Others:-

Lis Antrobus (Chair, Strategic IAG) and Sue Biddle (Police Federation)

1. **Chair's Announcements**

None.

2. **Apologies**

were received from Chris Davis, Steve Nicklin and ACC Neil Brunton.

3. **Members' Declaration of Personal and Prejudicial Interests**

None.

4. **Minutes of the Meeting held on the 20th July 2011 and Matters Arising**

(1) Minutes

Resolved:-

That the minutes of the Police Authority's meeting held on the 20th July 2011 be approved.

(2) Matters Arising

The Chair confirmed that the report was now available to Members on the website via the Members Area and would be available to the public in the next few days. He thanked Clive Parsons for his work in getting the report completed.

5. People Services – Performance and Priorities

Tania Coppola gave a presentation to the Authority on current performance issues and priorities for People Services and also responded to Members' questions particularly with regard to attendance management and how the system used in Warwickshire could be integrated with those in West Mercia under the Strategic Alliance.

6. Medium Term Financial Plan

Marie Perry presented the report and gave a detailed update on the Plan in the light of the discussions with the Authority in August regarding the delivery of the financial outturn position for 2011/12. The savings targets for the lifetime of the Plan and the level of Authority reserves. Dave Clarke confirmed that he had reviewed the reserves' position and was comfortable with the proposals in the Plan.

It was then Resolved:-

- 1) That approval be given to the proposals for delivery of the 2011-12 savings as outlined in paragraph 2.1 of the joint report.***
- 2) proposals for delivery of savings in 2012-13 to 2015-16 as set out in paragraph 2.2 of the joint report subject to the formal Medium Term Financial Plan and 2012-13 Budget Setting process.***
- 3) assumptions set out in joint report and that they form the basis for the MTFPS and Budget 2012-13.***

7. Investigations and Standards – Report by Governance Stream Lead

After Angela O'Boyle had introduced the report and had given a brief overview of the work being undertaken within the Stream, she went on to present the reports under Appendices 1 and 2.

Appendix 1 – Report on Protecting Vulnerable People Appendix 2 – Report of the Safeguarding Children Lead

Angela O'Boyle highlighted the key points in both reports and then took Members' questions. Richard Hobbs commented on the growing financial pressures on the Youth Justice Service particularly with regard to secure accommodation. It was noted that under the new Government arrangements, two thirds of this cost will be met by the local authority.

Appendix 3 – Report of the Chair of the Professional Standards Committee

was noted.

Appendix 4 – Report of the Lead Member for Member Development

was noted.

8. Governance Framework and the Business and Governance Plan 2011/12

After Oliver Winters had introduced the report, the following amendments were agreed to the Governance Framework:-

- 1) Page 16 – delete reference to the Lead for Human Resources attending the Force Occupational H&S Committee.
- 2) Page 6 – Chair Emeritus – should be ‘appointed’ not ‘elected’ by the Authority.

It was also agreed that equality and diversity issues should continue to have a high profile within the Business and Governance Plan and that the document should be amended to reflect this.

It was then Resolved:-

That approval be given to the Governance Framework and the Business and Governance Plan 2011/12 as amended.

9. Report of the Lead Member for Staff Development

was noted.

10. Report of the Performance Lead

was noted.

11. General Report of the Chief Constable

In presenting the report, Keith Bristow reported the outcome of the sentencing hearing in the Gemma Hayter case which took place on the 12th September. He added that this was a particularly unpleasant murder of a young woman with disabilities and also reminded Members of the case 18 months ago when a disabled couple were murdered in Rugby. In the light of these cases and what was happening nationally, the Chair asked that a report on this issue should be brought to a future meeting of the Authority.

Phillip Morris-Jones commented on the recent riots and the fact that although Warwickshire had not really been affected, what resources were in place to prevent anything of this nature happening in the future. Keith Bristow replied that the Force was not prepared to sit back and wait for events to happen. They relied very heavily on intelligence and strong community links to provide early warning of such potential incidents.

12. Urgent Business

None.

13. Date of Next Meeting

The next scheduled meeting of the Police Authority will be on Wednesday 19 October 2011 at 10am.

14. Exclusion of Members of the Public

Resolved:-

That the members of the public be excluded from the meeting for the following agenda items on the grounds that their presence would involve the disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1, 3, 4 and 7 of schedule 12A of the Local Governance Act 1972.

15. Exempt Minutes of the Meeting held on 20 July 2011 and Matters Arising

Resolved:-

That the exempt minutes of the Police Authority's meeting held on 20 July 2011 be approved

There were no matters arising.

16. 150 Plus Programme

In introducing the report, Andy Parker stated that the Force were concentrating on developing the Strategic Alliance with West Mercia.

17. Force Performance

Keith Bristow presented the report and the latest performance dashboard circulated at the meeting and gave an update on the Force's overall performance.

18. Operational Updates

The Chief Constable's report was noted.

19. Taser Deployments in Warwickshire

After a brief presentation by Martin Samuel, it was agreed to note the report.

20. 150 Plus Estate Review

After Richard Elkin had presented the report, the Authority approved the recommendations contained therein.

21. The London 2010 Olympics and Paralympic Games

It was agreed to note the report by Chief Inspector Lewis and to discuss this issue at a future meeting of the Authority.

22. Introduction of the National Police Non-Emergency Number (101)

was noted.

23. Operation Westbere

was noted.

Chair of Authority

The meeting closed at 1.05pm