

The **POLICE AUTHORITY** met at **SHIRE HALL, WARWICK** on **29 JUNE 2011**

**Present:-**

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

**Independent Members:-**

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

**County Councillors:-**

Chris Davis, Peter Fowler, Eithne Goode, Bob Hicks, Richard Hobbs and Phillip Morris-Jones

**Police:-**

Chief Constable Keith Bristow, Richard Elkin, Chief Supt. Mak Chishty, Chief Supt. Steve Burrows, Paul Mason-Brown, Supt Debra Tedds, Marie Perry, Mandy Crust and Carl Baldacchino.

**Police Authority-**

Oliver Winters, Neil Gulliver, Dave Clarke, Dave Stenning, John McPhail and Sioned Harper.

**Others:-**

Amanda Preston (UNISON) and Sue Biddle (Police Federation)

**1. Chair's Announcements**

The Chair welcomed the representatives from Warwickshire Neighbourhood Watch to the meeting.

The Chair then congratulated Mak Chishty on his appointment as a Commander in the Metropolitan Police where he will take command of North London which covers the boroughs of Barnet, Enfield, Haringey, Hackney, Camden and Islington. He stated that the appointment was well deserved and on behalf of the Authority wished him every success in the future.

**2. Apologies**

Were received from Carol Fox, Frank McCarney, DCC Andy Parker and ACC Neil Brunton.

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

None.

**4. Minutes of the Meeting held on the 25<sup>th</sup> May 2011 and Matters Arising**

**(i) Minutes**

Under Minute 2 (2), Dorrette McAuslan pointed out that Angela O'Boyle had been proposed and seconded as Vice Chair but had withdrawn but this had not been recorded in the minutes. It was agreed that this should be amended.

It was then Resolved:-

***That the minutes of the Police Authority's meeting held on the 25<sup>th</sup> May 2011 as amended be approved.***

There were no matters arising.

**5. Financial Reports**

**(1) Summary of Amendments to Financial Outturn Report 2010/11**

It was agreed that this item would be dealt with under Agenda item 5(2).

**(2) Final Financial Outturn Report 2010/11**

After Marie Perry had introduced the report and highlighted a small number of amendments from the report submitted to the Authority's last meeting, it was Resolved:-

***That approval be given to:-***

***i) the revenue carry forward requests totalling £180,000, as outlined in section 1, paragraphs 1.7.2 and 1.8.4 of the report.***

***ii) the carry forward requests totalling £1.973m for the capital programme as set out in section 3 and Appendix D of the report.***

***iii) the reserves movements as set out in section 4 and Appendix C of the report.***

***iv) the Capital Funding Determinations as set out in section 5 of the report.***

**(3) Treasury Management Outturn Report 2010/11**

After brief comments by Dave Clarke, the Authority accepted the report.

**(4) Statement of Accounts 2010/11**

Dave Clarke explained that the finance rules had changed and that, at this stage, only he needed to approve the Statement of Accounts. Once they had been audited by the Audit Commission they would come back to the Authority's meeting in September 2011 for approval. It was therefore agreed to note the Statement of Accounts at this stage.

**6. Crime Mapping**

The Authority received a presentation and demonstration on the use of Crime Mapping to get detailed information on localities such as latest crime statistics, local police activities or community information.

## 7. Strategic Alliance

After the Chair had introduced the report and confirmed that West Mercia Police Authority had supported the recommendations of the Chief Constable at their meeting yesterday, Keith Bristow briefly reminded the Authority of the benefits for both Forces and Authorities of entering into the Strategic Alliance.

A general discussion then ensued particularly around the communications and local policing during which Members were reassured that an agreed Communications Strategy was in place and that both Forces recognised that a local policing model needed to be developed within the Alliance whilst recognising local differences.

Ian Francis, seconded by Phillip Morris-Jones, then moved and it was unanimously Resolved:-

- (1) That approval be given to the adoption of the recommendations of the Chief Constables as set out in Appendix A of the report.***
- (2) That the Chief Constable is requested to proceed to design stage and to prepare a draft timetable liaising with the Chair and involving the Police Authority as appropriate so as to progress the development of the recommendations set out in Appendix A of the report.***
- (3) That approval be given to the establishment of an interim Joint Steering Group.***

## 8. Police Authority Appointments

The Chair introduced the report and explained that the proposal to appoint Ian Francis as Chair Emeritus was in recognition of his tremendous commitment to the Authority since its inception.

It was then Resolved:-

***That the Police Authority :-***

- (1) Appoints Ian Francis as Chair Emeritus.***
- (2) Notes the appointment of Angela O'Boyle as Investigations and Strategic Planning Stream Lead.***
- (3) Approves Ian Francis, as Chair Emeritus, undertaking the duties of Investigations and Strategic Planning Deputy Stream Lead.***
- (4) Delays the review of roles and allowances until the outcome of the Police and Social Responsibility Bill is known.***

Ian Francis then thanked the Authority for this honour and stressed that it had been and continued to be a huge privilege to serve the Authority.

## 9. Integrated Service Delivery

John Vereker commented that he and Neil Gulliver had been members of the Integrated Service Delivery Project Board and recognised that a huge amount of work

had been done which would deliver a quality front office network across the county plus significant financial savings.

In response to a question by Chris Davis, Carl Baldacchino confirmed that the national single non-emergency number (101) service would be introduced in Warwickshire in October this year. Chris Davis also asked about the number of mobile police stations in use in the county whilst Phillip Morris-Jones requested further information about the level of public consultation. Neil Gulliver agreed to provide further information on these issues.

[Later in the meeting Keith Bristow confirmed that the Force had six mobile police stations located around the county]

It was then Resolved:-

***That the Police Authority record their thanks for the Integrated Service Deliver (ISD) Project Board in delivering a quality front office network across the county.***

#### 10. **Report of the Policing Communities Stream Lead**

John Vereker introduced the report and highlighted the key issues which was followed by a general discussion during which the following points were highlighted.

- North Leamington School had now signed an agreement to fully fund the PCSO currently working with the school.
- It was understood that a Youth IAG was being established in Leamington Spa.
- Need to further improve engagement with people / communities from Eastern Europe.
- Recognition that the business community needed to be more engaged with the Community Fora. Richard Hobbs pursuing this with Nick Gower-Johnson of the County Council.
- Recognition that Neighbourhood Watch is a very important partner.
- Need to ensure that when priorities are set at community fora meetings all partners are engaged in achieving those priorities where appropriate and they are not just left to the police.

Appendices 1 – 3 were noted.

#### 11. **Annual Governance Statement**

Resolved:-

***That approval be given to the Annual Governance Statement for signature by the Chair and Chief Executive.***

#### 12. **Report of the Audit Committee**

Resolved:-

***That approval be given to the creation of an additional exemption category under the Authority's Contract Standing Orders.***

**13. General Report of the Chief Executive**

Resolved:-

***That approval be given to the invitation to a named individual of the Strategic IAG to attend both the public and exempt parts of the Police Authority meetings as an observer.***

**14. Report of the Chief Constable**

was noted.

Keith Bristow then added his congratulations to Mak Chishty on his appointment as a Commander with the Metropolitan Police and thanked him for his contribution to policing in Warwickshire.

**15. Urgent Business**

None.

**16. Date of Next Meeting**

The next scheduled meeting of the Police Authority will be on Wednesday 20 July 2011 at 10am

**17. 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 Government Act 1972.***

**18. Exempt Minutes of the Meeting held on 25 May 2011 and Matters Arising**

**(1) Minutes**

Resolved:-

***That the exempt minutes of the Police Authority's meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2011 be approved.***

**(2) Matters Arising**

**Minute 21 – Proposed Sale of Kenilworth Police Station**

In response to issues raised by John Vereker, Richard Elkin gave an update on the current position of the proposed sale.

19. **150plus Programme**

The Chair stated that the additional report circulated at the meeting should not be considered and should be deferred until the Authority's next meeting.

After Paul Mason-Brown had commented on the original report, it was agreed that it should be noted.

20. **Force Performance**

Keith Bristow presented the report and the dashboard as at 29 June 2011 which had been circulated at the meeting and commented on a number of issues around performance.

21. **Operational Update**

After introductory comments by Keith Bristow, Mak Chishty gave an update on Operation Crunch and 2 other significant cases that the Force were currently dealing with.

22. **Urgent Exempt Business**

None.

23. **Operation Westbere**

The report by the Deputy Chief Constable was noted.

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**Chair of the Authority**

Meeting closed at 12.48pm.