

The **POLICE AUTHORITY** met at **SHIRE HALL, WARWICK** on **20 JULY 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, Carol Fox, Eithne Goode, Bob Hicks, Richard Hobbs and Phillip Morris-Jones

**Police:-**

Chief Constable Keith Bristow, Deputy Chief Constable Andy Parker, Assistant Chief Constable Neil Brunton, Richard Elkin, Paul Mason-Brown, Marie Perry, Inspector Nick Tomkinson, Mandy Crust and Hazel Nicholas.

**Police Authority-**

Neil Gulliver, Dave Clarke, Sioned Harper and Victoria Newbold.

**Others:-**

Lee Bowers and Amanda Preston (UNISON)

1. **Chair's Announcements**

None.

2. **Apologies**

An apology was received from Oliver Winters.

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

None.

4. **Minutes of the Meeting held on the 29<sup>th</sup> June 2011 and Matters Arising**

**(1) Minutes**

Resolved:-

***That the minutes of the Police Authority's meeting held on the 29<sup>th</sup> June 2011 as amended be approved.***

## **(2) Matters Arising – Minute 8 – Police Authority Appointments**

The Chair reported that the report omitted to confirm that it was intended that Ian Francis would be the Authority's national representative at APA. This was noted.

### **5. Resources – Report of the Governance Stream**

was noted.

#### **Appendix 1 – Report of the Lead Member for Assets**

Bob Malloy introduced the report and drew Members' attention to a number of key issues. In response to a question by Phillip Morris-Jones, Richard Elkin confirmed that discussions had been held with other partners particularly the Fire and Rescue Service regarding the shared use of facilities.

#### **Appendix 2 – Report of the Lead Member for Equality, Diversity and Human Rights**

Dorrette McAuslan presented her report and drew Members' attention to a number of issues, particularly with regard to Stop and Account and Stop and Search.

John Vereker endorsed the excellent work of the Independent Advisory Groups (IAGs) and several Members expressed the wish to attend their meetings. It was agreed that Neil Gulliver would liaise with Members regarding their attendance at future IAG meetings.

The Authority recorded their thanks to Bill Holland for presenting the seminar on Gypsy Awareness free of charge earlier in the month.

#### **Appendix 3 – Report of the Lead Member for Human Resources**

was noted.

### **6. Financial Management Report 2011/12**

Marie Perry gave a presentation on the first quarter of the 2011/12 financial year and summarized the current financial position. During the ensuing discussion, Bob Malloy questioned why the Force were not charging for the policing of the Bulldog Bash. Keith Bristow replied that there was an ethical question about invoicing an organised crime group for policing services. The Chair suggested that this issue should be debated in more detail at a later date.

It was then Resolved:-

***That approval be given to the Revised Capital budget for 2011/12 as set out in section 4 of the report.***

### **7. Annual Report 2010/11**

After Clive Parsons had introduced the report, the Chairman commented on the draft report being reported in the local press in relation to serious violence in Warwick District. Keith Bristow stated that it was unfortunate that the press had chosen to publish the annual report at a time when it was still in draft. He also pointed out that

whilst Warwick District had had a difficult year with serious violence the previous two years had shown excellent performance.

At the Chair's suggestion it was agreed that publication of the Annual Report should be deferred to allow the presentation of the data to be checked and also the process which led to the report coming to the Authority in its present form. Clive Parsons was asked to liaise with Neil Gulliver to arrange a meeting to discuss these issues.

**8. National Police Air Service**

Resolved:-

***That the Police Authority agree to sign up to the National Police Air Service proposal.***

**9. Performance**

After introductory comments by Peter Fowler, Keith Bristow pointed out that he, as Chief Constable, was solely accountable to the Police Authority for performance whereas all other officers were answerable to the Authority.

The Chair reported that the role of the District Partnership Leads had been discussed recently by the Steering Group and it had been suggested that their title should be changed to Neighbourhood Leads. This was agreed.

The Authority endorsed the proposals in the report.

**10. General Report of the Chief Constable**

was noted.

**11. Urgent Business**

None.

**12. Date of Next Meeting**

The next scheduled meeting of the Police Authority will be on Wednesday 14 September 2011 at 10am.

**13. 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.***

**14. Exempt Minutes of the Meeting held on 29 June 2011 and Matters Arising**

Resolved:-

***That the exempt minutes of the Police Authority's meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> June 2011 be approved.***

There were no matters arising.

15. **Supplementary Report by the Lead Member of Assets**

was noted.

16. **150plus Programme**

Nick Tomkinson gave a detailed presentation on the cost reduction options which the Authority may be required to consider as part of the 150plus programme to meet the CSR gap of £9.7m by 2013/14.

17. **Force Performance**

Keith Bristow presented the report and the performance dashboard circulated at the meeting.

18. **Operational Update**

The Chief Constable's report was noted.

19. **Urgent Exempt Business**

None.

**All Members and Officers of the County Council left the meeting before consideration of Agenda Item 20.**

20. **Operation Westbere**

After Andy Parker and Keith Bristow had updated Members on the current position, the report was noted.

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**Chair of the Authority**

Meeting closed at 12.55pm.