

**NOTTINGHAMSHIRE POLICE AUTHORITY**  
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**MINUTES**  
**OF THE MEETING OF THE**  
**NOTTINGHAMSHIRE POLICE AUTHORITY**  
**HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 28th JULY 2010**  
**IN COUNTY HALL**  
**WEST BRIDGFORD**  
**NOTTINGHAM**  
**COMMENCING AT 10.00 AM**

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**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Cllr J Clarke  
Cllr J Collins  
Ms M Futer  
Cllr G Gilfoyle (Vice-Chair)  
Mrs K Gill  
Mrs G Harrison  
Dr P Hodgson (A)  
Prof S Holdaway (A)  
Cllr E Kerry  
Cllr K Longdon  
Cllr I Malcolm  
Miss J Moore MBE JP  
Cllr M Quigley MBE (Vice-Chair)  
Mr A J Street  
Cllr L Ward (A)  
Ms S Webber (A)  
Cllr G Wheeler (A)

(A) = absent

**OFFICERS PRESENT**

Mr C Eyre	-	Deputy Chief Constable
Mr A Given	-	Police Authority
Mrs C Radford	-	Deputy Chief Executive & Treasurer
Mr S Spear	-	Police Authority
Mr C Holmes	-	Police Authority
Ms W Bentley	-	Police Authority
Mr S Youdell	-	Police Authority
Sallie Blair	-	Better Times

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE**

Mr J Grant - Independent Member on the Standards Committee  
Ms E Minnighan - Independent Member on the Standards Committee

**1. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

The minutes of the last meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2010, having been previously circulated were agreed as a true and correct record and were confirmed and signed by the Chair.

**2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Dr P Hodgson, Prof S Holdaway, Councillor Les Ward, Ms Steff Webber and Councillor Gordon Wheeler.

**3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS AND OFFICERS**

None.

**4. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC UNDER STANDING ORDER 24**

None.

**5. RECEIPT OF PETITIONS**

None.

**6. QUESTIONS TO THE CHAIR OF THE AUTHORITY UNDER STANDING ORDER 9.1 (A)**

None.

**7. FEEDBACK FROM THE POLICE PERFORMANCE STEERING GROUP (PPSG)**

A copy of the letter from Zoë Billingham, HM Inspector of Constabulary, was circulated on the outcomes of the Police Performance Steering Group meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> July 2010.

Clarification was sought by some members on the comment in the report from HMI Zoë Billingham to the Policing Performance Steering Group that “there is a tendency for some members of the authority to focus disproportionately on matters of minutiae rather than on matters of pressing strategic importance.”

It was felt that clarification should be sought on this.

**RESOLVED 10/73**

- (1) That the feedback from the Police Performance Steering Group meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> July 2010 be noted.

- (2) That clarification be sought from HMI Zoë Billingham on the comments in her report as outlined above.

## **8. JUNE 2010 PERFORMANCE REPORT**

The Deputy Chief Constable introduced the report. He stated that the targets have been hugely challenging but that remarkable progress had been made and that the Force would continue to work to close the gap with other Forces in the Most Similar Group (MSG). Alan Given emphasized that the Force was required to move at a faster rate than any other Force to close the gap. He added that the MSG target was a moving one but that the gap was being closed.

Members welcomed the improvements in performance. It was noted that there was need to make sure that the good start was carried through. Reference was made to the reduction in resources, which would be available as a result of the Government's 25% cut to policing. The DCC encouraged the Police Authority to make representations to the Government via the APA about the disproportionate impact that these cuts would have on low precepting authorities.

### **RESOLVED 10/74**

That the crime statistics up to the month of June 2010 and Operation Arrow be noted.

## **9. 2010/2011 REVISED CAPITAL, BORROWING AND TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES**

It was noted that there would be a report to a future meeting reviewing the Capital Programme.

### **RESOLVED 10/75**

- (1) That the reduced Capital Programme of £8.9M for 2010/11 be agreed.
- (2) That the borrowing strategy of £6.7M to finance the Capital Programme be agreed.
- (3) That the borrowing strategy of £3.3M to contribute towards the financing of the previous capital expenditure be agreed.
- (4) That the Treasury Management Strategy to support the capital and borrowing strategies be approved as set out in the appendix to the report.
- (5) That the outturn Treasury Management and Prudential Indicators for 2009/10 be noted.

**10. ACTION PLAN**

Consideration was given to the Change Management Team's action plan.

Reference was made to Action Number 31 concerning the replacement of Independent Members. It was suggested that the current Independent Members should be extended and that the Home Office should be approached to see if this was possible.

**RESOLVED 10/76**

- (1) That the progress on the action plan be noted.
- (2) That the Change Manager contact the Home Office about the possibility of extending the term of office of the current Independent Members.

**11. POLICE AUTHORITY ACCOMMODATION****RESOLVED 10/77**

- (1) That the use of £25,000 from revenue underspend in the Police Authority budget be approved towards the project costs for the Authority move.
- (2) That an additional £1,600 in the capital programme be approved for virement from the underspends in other capital projects.

**12. FINANCE AND BUSINESS COMMITTEE: TERMS OF REFERENCE AND MEMBERSHIP****RESOLVED 10/78**

That the terms of reference of the Finance and Business Committee be amended as set out in the report.

**13. CHAIR'S FEEDBACK FROM RECENT MEETINGS**

A report outlining proposals around sharing information following Committee meetings was circulated.

Chair's feedback from recent Committee meetings was given as follows:-

**HR & Professional Standards Committee**

Councillor Mike Quigley reported on that the Committee had considered information on the Humberside secretariat and that a further report would go to the next meeting outlining a proposed secretariat structure. Training had been provided on hearing business appeals for police officers and the first case had been heard. The Deputy Chief Constable was reviewing Force procedures.

**Community Engagement & Partnership Committee**

Mel Futer reported that the Committee were keen to receive feedback on the new shift pattern. They had agreed to have active representatives on the Community Safety Panels and were looking for training on this. The August meeting had been cancelled and the next meeting would be in September.

**Finance & Business Committee**

Councillor Glynn Gilfoyle stated that the issues they had considered at the last meeting had been on today's agenda. The Chair and Vice-Chair would be meeting with the Finance Officer and they would be looking at how outstanding debts were collected.

**Change Management Board**

Councillor Jon Collins reported that they were exploring having a shared analytical unit. They were looking at whether there was a need to have the August meeting of the Board.

**Performance & Policing Committee**

Alan Street stated that there was a need to have a full understanding of the data. He indicated that progress was being made with the template which he expected to be used across the committees. He added that there was to be a further meeting with NPIA.

**Standards Committee**

A further meeting was to be held on 20<sup>th</sup> August.

**Information feedback**

Consideration was given to the options set out in the report around sharing information from Committee meetings.

**RESOLVED 10/79**

That at the conclusion of each Committee meeting, the Chair meet with an officer from the secretariat to agree what information concerning the meeting should be circulated to all Police Authority members by email immediately following the meeting.

**URGENT ITEM**

In accordance with Section 100b(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the Chair approved the submission of the following item to be considered as a matter of urgency as there is a statutory requirement to appoint a monitoring officer and the previous post holder has left the Authority.

**APPOINTMENT OF INTERIM MONITORING OFFICER**

**RESOLVED 10/80**

That Mr C G O'Connell be appointed as an officer of the Police Authority and designated as its monitoring officer on an interim basis pending the making of a permanent appointment.

Chair