

NORTHERN IRELAND POLICING BOARD
HUMAN RIGHTS AND PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS COMMITTEE

11 FEBRUARY 2009 AT 9.30 AM

WATERSIDE TOWER, BELFAST

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES

2. MINUTES OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS AND PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 12 NOVEMBER 2008

The Committee is asked to agree the minutes of the meeting held on 12 November 2008.

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS AND PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS COMMITTEE 12 NOVEMBER 2008

- 3.1 Monitoring Of Country Of Origin Of Catholic Applicants To The PSNI (Item 3.1.1 Of Minutes Refers)**
- 3.2 Trends and Patterns in Complaints and Allegations in North Belfast (Item 3.2.2 of Minutes Refers)**
- 3.3 Chair's Business - OPONI (Item 4.1 of Minutes Refers)**
- 3.4 Lundy Article – ‘Can the Past be Policed?’ (Item 5 Of Minutes Refers)**
- 3.5 Improving the Effectiveness of Committee Business (Item 6 Of Minutes Refers)**
- 3.6 Future Provision of Human Rights Advice (Item 7 Of Minutes Refers)**
- 3.7 Meeting with NGOs held on 12 October 2008 (Item 8 Of Minutes Refers)**
- 3.8 Review of Officials Attendance at PSNI Regulation 20 Committee Review Panel (Item 9 Of Minutes Refers)**
- 3.9 Police Appeals Tribunal (Item 10 Of Minutes Refers)**
- 3.10 Complaints Against Police (Item 11 Of Minutes Refers)**
- 3.11 Repositioning of Officers September 2008 (Item 12 Of Minutes Refers)**
- 3.12 Custody Visiting Statistics 2nd Quarter 2008/09 (Item 13 Of Minutes Refers)**
- 3.13 PSNI Firearms Policy and Implementation Status of Armed Response Vehicles (Item 14 Of Minutes Refers)**

4. CHAIR'S BUSINESS

5. HUMAN RIGHTS ADVISOR'S BRIEFING

- **Covert Surveillance/ Disposal of DNA**
- **Update on Domestic Abuse inquiry**
- **Programme of action**
- **Policy and operations**
- **Stop and Search**

6. PROPOSED RESEARCH – EVALUATION OF PSNI - RECOMMENDATION 4 OF THE INDEPENDENT COMMISSION REPORT ON POLICING IN NORTHERN IRELAND

The Committee is asked for any comments on a proposal for the Committee to make a definitive assessment of PSNI progress with respect to Patten recommendation 4

7. TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THEMATIC INQUIRY ON CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

The Committee is asked to agree the Terms of Reference for the Thematic Inquiry.

8. POLICE APPEALS TRIBUNAL

The Committee is asked to consider a number of issues in relation to the appointment of Policing Board Members to sit on Police Appeals Tribunals.

9.1 INFORMATION PAPERS

- 9.1.1 Police Officers convicted of Drink Driving during 2008. FOI request**
- 9.1.2 Questions on Civilian and Police Officer Suspensions. FOI request**
- 9.1.3 The number of Police Officers Charged and Convicted of a Criminal Offence in Count Tyrone and reported to PSD. FOI request**
- 9.1.4 Suspended Officers. FOI request**
- 9.1.5 BBC News Report**
- 9.1.6 Historical Enquiries Team Funding**
- 9.1.7 Police Appeals Tribunal – Result of Judicial Review**
- 9.1.8 Custody Visitor statistics for October to December 2008**

The Committee is asked to note the above information papers.

9.2 REGULATION 20 REPORTS

- 9.2.1 Investigation into the Attempted Suicide of a Detained Person at Antrim Police Station on 27 April 2005**
- 9.2.2 Investigation into a Drowning at Carlingford Lough, Warrenpoint on 15 May 2005**
- 9.2.3 Report into the circumstances surrounding a Death at Bradbury Court, Belfast on Wednesday 24 May 2006**
- 9.2.4 Investigation to an aggravated assault on two people in Elmwood Avenue, Belfast, on 23 October 2005.**

The Committee is asked to note the above Regulation 20 Reports.

9.3 PUBLICATIONS

9.3.1 Recently received publications

The Committee is asked to note the above publications.

9.4 CORRESPONDENCE AND PRESS

9.4.1 Correspondence and Press issues.

The Committee is asked to note the above Correspondence and Press issues.

10. POLICY AND OPERATIONS

Chief Superintendent Operational Support to brief the committee on Policy and Operations.

11. STOP AND SEARCH

Item Withdrawn

12. CONSIDERATION OF EAMES/BRADLEY

ACC Crime Support to brief the committee on;

- Summary of Consultative Group on Past Report (report attached)
- Update on Public Inquiries and Legacy Inquiries

13. PSNI PROGRAMME OF ACTION – HUMAN RIGHTS ANNUAL REPORT

ACC Criminal Justice to brief the Committee

14. QUESTIONS FOR THE CHIEF CONSTABLE

The Committee is asked to consider whether there are any questions arising out of this meeting which it wishes to raise with the Chief Constable at the next Board meeting.

15. COMMUNICATIONS ISSUES

The Committee is asked to consider if there are any items arising from the meeting that should be included in a news release.

16. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Members are asked to consider whether there are any other issues they wish to raise.

17. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The Committee is asked to agree the date of the next meeting for Wednesday 8 April 2009 at 2.00 pm in Waterside Tower.

**Secretariat
February 2009**