

NORTHERN IRELAND POLICING BOARD

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE HELD ON 30 SEPTEMBER 2010 AT 12:30PM IN THE CHINESE WELFARE ASSOCIATION, STRANMILLIS EMBANKMENT, BELFAST

PRESENT:

MEMBERS:

- (1)** Mr Alex Maskey (Chairperson)
Mr Ian McCrea
Mr David Rose
Mr Suneil Sharma

POLICE SERVICE OF NORTHERN IRELAND IN ATTENDANCE:

- (2)** Mr Will Kerr (ACC Criminal Justice)
- (2)** Chief Superintendent Alan Todd
- (2)** Chief Inspector Jane Humphries
- (2)** Chief Inspector Ryan Henderson

OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

Dr Debbie Donnelly, Deputy Chief Executive
Mr David Jackson, Director of Community
Engagement
4 Board Officials

- (1)** Item number 1 and Part item 5
- (2)** Item number 5 only

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received on behalf of Mr Brian Rea (Vice Chairperson) Mr Jonathan Bell, Mr Leslie Cree, Ms Mary McKee and Mr Gearóid Ó hEára. NOTED.

No conflicts of interest arising from the agenda were declared by Members. NOTED.

Before starting the meeting, the Chief Executive and Vice Chair of the Chinese Welfare Association welcomed Members to the Chinese Welfare Association.

The Chairperson of the Committee thanked Board officials for a very successful community engagement event that had taken place earlier in the morning.

The Chairperson advised the Chief Executive and Vice Chair of the Chinese Welfare Association, that the results of the morning session would be brought back to the Association as soon as possible. The Chairperson also advised, that a meeting would be arranged with PSNI and the Chinese Welfare Association to discuss their views and areas of concern within their community.

2. MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 24 JUNE 2010

The Committee considered the draft minutes of the meeting, and it was:-

AGREED:

That the draft minutes of the Community Engagement Committee meeting held on 26 August 2010 be agreed.

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE HELD ON 26 AUGUST 2010

3.1 District Policing Partnership (DPP) Effectiveness Assessment for Year 2009/2010 (Item 6 of Meeting Refers)

This item had been actioned.

4. CHAIRPERSON'S BUSINESS

There were no matters arising.

5. POLICING WITH THE COMMUNITY

5.1 Policing With the Community Report from PSNI

The Chairperson welcomed ACC Kerr and his colleagues to the meeting.

ACC Kerr invited suggested Members ask questions or make comments on the draft PWC Strategy and he would address them.

The Committee had received a draft copy of the PSNI Policing with the Community Strategy and welcomed the progress with this document, the general view of the report was that the recent draft strategy was much closer to what the Board has been asking for. The Committee welcomed that the three inter-related strands:-

- Engagement;
- Partnership; and
- Service delivery

were now the focus of the PWC Strategy.

In relation to the purpose of the refresh of the PWC, the Committee re-iterated that it was their view that this was an opportunity to refocus policing on the future and away from the manner of policing which could be described as ‘ Security – related’.

The Committee acknowledged that PSNI have attempted to take this on board in the title ‘PWC 2020’, however, more work was necessary to ensure that it is appropriately future proofed.

The Committee pointed out that there were still issues to be addressed in relation to;

- language;
- measurement; and,
- Content –including contribution of other relevant statutory organisations.

Following discussion, the Chairperson congratulated ACC Kerr and his team on the document, and it was:-

AGREED:

- The Chair of the Committee and Officials will continue to work with PSNI to finalise the strategy and monitoring framework;
- That the Policing with the Community Strategy would be launched in early 2011.

5.2 PSNI Policing With the Community Quarterly Progress Report For Part 3 Of The Policing Plan 2010 – 2013

The Committee noted the Quarterly Report on the Implementation of the PSNI Policing with the Community Strategy.

6. CARRICKFERGUS DISTRICT POLICING PARTNERSHIP (DPP) – EFFECTIVE ASSESSMENT 2009 – 2010

This item was deferred until the November meeting of the Community Engagement Committee.

7. OUTLINE BUSINESS CASE FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT MEMBERS

- 1. New Single Partnerships – Policing And Community Safety Partnerships (PCSPs) Emerging From the Amalgamation Of District Policing Partnerships And Community Safety Partnerships**
- 2. District Policing Partnerships (DPPs)**

The Committee considered a paper which sought agreement from Members on the approach to the business case for the appointment of independent Members to a new
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single partnership and to approve the submission of the business case to the Department of Justice (DOJ).

Following discussion, it was:-

AGREED:

To recommend the approach and to approve the submission of the business case to the DOJ.

8. TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL AND TRANSEXUAL (LGB&T) THEMATIC INQUIRY

The Committee was provided with a copy of the Terms of Reference for the Human Rights and Professional Standards Committee Thematic Inquiry into policing with the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender individuals for noting. NOTED.

9. INFORMATION PAPERS

9.1 Update On Recommendations From The “Through Our Eyes” Report

The Committee noted the information papers.

10. SCHEDULE OF BRIEFINGS 2010 AND WORK PROGRAMME 2010/11

The Committee noted the information provided on the Schedule of Briefings and Work Programme for 2010/11. NOTED.

11. QUESTIONS FOR THE CHIEF CONSTABLE

There were no matters arising.

12. COMMUNICATION ISSUES

There were no matters arising.

13. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There were no matters arising.

14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was:-

AGREED:

That a meeting would be scheduled for Thursday, 28 October 2010 at 2:00pm.

Meeting closed (3:30pm).

Secretariat

October 2010

Chairperson