

NORTHERN IRELAND POLICING BOARD
HUMAN RIGHTS AND PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS COMMITTEE

12 SEPTEMBER 2007 AT 2:00PM

WATERSIDE TOWER, BELFAST

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES

2. MINUTES OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS AND PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 8 AUGUST 2007

The Committee is asked to agree the minutes of the meeting held on 8 August 2007.

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS AND PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 8 AUGUST 2007

3.1 Strategic Review Of Parading

3.2 Informal Engagement With Board's Human Rights Advisors

3.3 Human Rights Annual Report

3.4 Regulation 20 Reports

3.5 Independent Assessment Panel Recommendations

4. CHAIRMAN'S BUSINESS

5. PRESENTATION – OFFICE OF THE POLICE OMBUDSMAN FOR NORTHERN IRELAND

The Committee will receive a presentation from a representative from the Office of the Police Ombudsman for Northern Ireland on the Annual Statistical Report for 2006/07 of Complaints and Allegations made against the police.

6. COMPLAINTS AGAINST POLICE

The Committee is asked to consider and note the statistical summary of complaints against the police in 2006/07

7. QUARTERLY PACE 1/TA STOP AND SEARCH RETURNS JAN – MAR 2007

The Committee is asked to consider a quarterly statistical return of the PACE 1/TA stop searches.

8. STATISTICS ON USE OF CS INCAPCITANT SPRAY

The Committee is asked to consider a quarterly statistical return for the period 1 January 2007 to 31 March 2007 on the use of CS Incapacitant Spray.

9. MONITORING HUMAN RIGHTS STATISTICS

Members are asked to consider the information, and to indicate if they wish to follow up on any of the issues highlighted or raise any matters with the Chief Constable at the next Board meeting.

10. PB1 REPORT

Members are asked to consider and note a PB 1 report received in August 2007.

11. PROPOSAL TO INTRODUCE TASER TO THE POLICE SERVICE OF NORTHERN IRELAND

The Committee is asked to consider the information provided, discuss the Chief Constable's intentions with the PSNI representatives and decide whether to support those intentions before making a recommendation to the Board.

Representatives from PSNI will attend this item of business.

12. CUSTODY VISITORS STATISTICS APRIL – JUNE 2007

The Committee is asked to consider and note a summary of the key points of information in a statistical summary of custody visits carried out during April to June 2007.

13. ENGAGEMENT WITH HUMAN RIGHTS NGOs

The Committee is asked to agree Terms of Reference as a basis for a meeting with the Human Rights NGOs following the initial Chair/ Vice Chair meeting.

14. SCHEDULE OF PRESENTATIONS

The Committee is asked to agree amendments to the schedule of presentations.

15. PROGRAMME OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS 2008

The Committee is asked to agree a programme dates for Committee meetings in 2008.

16. INFORMATION PAPERS

The Committee is asked to note the following information paper:-

16.1 Thematic Review on the Handling of Complaints in the Criminal Justice System

17. FORFEITURE OF POLICE PENSIONS

The Committee is asked to make recommendation to the Board concerning a draft policy on forfeiture of police pensions.

18. 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.

19. 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.

20. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

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

21. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The Committee is asked to agree the date of the next meeting for Wednesday, 10 October at 10.00am at Waterside Tower.

**Secretariat
September 2007**