

POLICING MATTERS

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MARCH ACCOUNTABILITY SESSION

The March 2024 meeting focused on police resources, police pay and pay parity for civilian staff, recruitment plans, assaults on officers, officer vetting, misconduct dismissals, unnotified parades and disclosure of information in court & tribunal cases.

At the Board meeting, the Chief Constable articulated in some detail how current funding arrangements for the service are not sufficient, and the impacts of that for service delivery and operational resilience. The Policing Board shares the Chief Constable's concerns and will be writing to the Department of Justice in support of his lobby for proper funding to be allocated to the PSNI so that action can be taken to redress resourcing pressures and officer numbers.

You can keep up to date with all the issues at the March meeting here:

BOARD CHAIR RECORDS THANKS

At her last formal meeting before stepping down as Board Chair, Deirdre Toner recorded thanks to Board colleagues, PSNI officers & staff & to all those who work with the Board, and within the community, for a safer society.

PROBLEM SOLVING IN PARTNERSHIP

Board Members congratulated officers, staff, Members of Policing & Community Safety Partnerships at the jointly supported Problem Solving Awards. Some great work going on. Well done all!



NEW MEMBERS

We welcome 4 new political members to the Board following changes to membership as the result of restoration of the NI Assembly: Cathal Boylan MLA, Cheryl Brownlee MLA, Keith Buchanan MLA & Eóin Tennyson MLA.



Cheryl Brownlee MLA
Democratic Unionist Party



Keith Buchanan MLA
Democratic Unionist Party



Cathal Boylan MLA
Sinn Féin



Eóin Tennyson MLA
Alliance Party

JUSTICE MINISTER MEETING

Chair Deirdre Toner & Vice Chair Edgar Jardine had a constructive meeting with the Justice Minister Naomi Long MLA to discuss a range of policing issues.



INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY



Our Board Chair, Chief Executive and Senior Management Team thanked all the women who contribute to the important work of the Board, as well as those helping to keep us all safe in PSNI and PCSPs this International Women's Day.

Read Board and Committee minutes and new publications here:

