

**MINUTES** of a meeting of the **DERBYSHIRE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL** held on 27 June 2019 at County Hall, Matlock.

**PRESENT**

Councillors F Atkinson (Amber Valley Borough Council) M Bagshaw (Chesterfield Borough Council), A Barrow (High Peak Borough Council), R Bright (Derbyshire Dales District Council), A Foster (NE Derbyshire District Council), J Frudd (Erewash Borough Council), C Hart (Derbyshire County Council), G Hickton (Erewash Borough Council), J Mannion-Brunt (Chesterfield Borough Council), R Mee (Erewash Borough Council), C Moesby (Bolsover District Council), V Newbury (Independent Member), P Niblock (Chesterfield Borough Council), A Pegg (Derby City Council (substitute Member)), P Pegg (Derby City Council), G Potter (Derby City Council), A Wheelton (South Derbyshire District Council) and B Woods (Derbyshire County Council)

Derbyshire County Council officers also in attendance: J Berry (Director of Legal and Democratic Services, DCC) and L Wild (Legal Services, DCC).

Also in attendance: H Dhindsa, Police and Crime Commissioner, K Gillott, Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner, D Peet, Chief Executive, Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner, A Dale, Chief Finance Officer, Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner and L Taylor, Derbyshire Fire and Rescue Service.

**7/19**      **CO-OPTION OF COUNCILLOR MEMBERS** The Director of Legal and Democratic Services of Derbyshire County Council invited the Panel to review its composition following the commencement of the new municipal year and to co-opt 7 additional Councillor Members to ensure that the Panel met the statutory balance requirements.

Each of the ten constituent authorities in Derbyshire had nominated a Panel Member for the new municipal year from its majority group and this had resulted in a Panel of six Conservative Members and four Labour Members. It was considered that balance may be best achieved by co-opting an additional seven Councillor Members: one Conservative, three Labour, two Liberal Democrats and one Independent. Such co-options would be subject to the approval of the Secretary of State. The constituent councils and the political groups had liaised together and the following seven Councillors were proposed for co-option:-

Councillor Jonathan Smale, Derby City Council (Conservative), Councillor Paul Pegg, Derby City Council (Labour), Councillor Becki Woods,

Derbyshire County Council (Labour), Councillor John Frudd, Erewash Borough Council (Labour), Councillor Paul Niblock, Chesterfield Borough Council (Liberal Democrat), Councillor Robert Mee, Erewash Borough Council (Liberal Democrat) and Councillor Mick Bagshaw, Chesterfield Borough Council (Independent)

In putting these Councillors forward for co-option the constituent Authorities had regard to the wider objectives of balance (geography, population etc.) as well as political balance.

**RESOLVED** to approve the co-option of Councillors, Jonathan Smale, Paul Pegg, Becki Woods, John Frudd, Paul Niblock, Robert Mee and Mick Bagshaw, on to the Derbyshire Police and Crime Panel.

**8/19** **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN** **RESOLVED** that Councillor C Hart be appointed as Chairman of the Derbyshire Police and Crime Panel for the ensuing municipal year.

Councillor C Hart (in the Chair)

**9/19** **APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN** **RESOLVED** that V Newbury be appointed as Vice-Chairman of the Derbyshire Police and Crime Panel for the ensuing municipal year.

**10/19** **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillor J Smale (Derby City Council) and Dr S Handsley (Independent Member).

**11/19** **MINUTES** **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting of the Derbyshire Police and Crime Panel held on 24 January 2019 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**12/19** **RULES OF PROCEDURE & TERMS OF REFERENCE** The Director of Legal and Democratic Services of Derbyshire County Council informed members that The Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 stated that a Police and Crime Panel must adopt rules of procedure. A panel's rules should include provisions about the appointment, resignation and removal of the chairman of the panel, the method of making decisions and the formation of sub-committees.

The Rules of Procedure attached at Appendix 1 to the report were those adopted by the Panel in January 2013.

The Terms of Reference for the Panel detailed at Appendix 2 to the report, outlined the duties and powers given to the Panel by the Police Reform

and Social Responsibility Act 2011. These were adopted by the Panel in 2013 and were brought to the attention of the new members of the Panel.

**RESOLVED** to note the attached Rules of Procedure and Terms of Reference.

**13/19      COLLABORATION                      BETWEEN                      DERBYSHIRE**  
**CONSTABULARY AND DERBYSHIRE FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE**

Hardyal Dhindsa updated the Panel on collaboration activity between Derbyshire Constabulary and Derbyshire Fire and Rescue Service.

It had been agreed that a Limited Liability Partnership (LLP) would be used as the vehicle to deliver a joint HQ building. The LLP had two members, the Police and Crime Commissioner for Derbyshire and the Chair of the Derbyshire Fire and Rescue Authority. Business of the Board was undertaken by a small group of senior officers including the Chief Constable, Chief Fire Officer, the PCC and Joint Police/Fire CFO, the PCC's Chief Executive Officer and the Joint Head of Estates.

The LLP owned the building and leased space to the Police and Fire Services. In accordance with legislative requirements, the LLP must work to make an annual profit and those profits were then shared between the members, based on each organisation's share of the lease. Members of the Panel requested a breakdown of the financial details associated with this and any savings the collaboration, on a whole, could achieve.

In addition to this it had been decided that there was a need for new training facilities for the both blue light services, through a jointly designed facility on the Butterley Hall campus. The resulting training facility offered state of the art facilities to the two individual services, but also promoted joint training opportunities, further strengthening the relationship between the two services. It was noted that on 18 July 2019, Her Royal Highness, The Princess Royal would undertake an official visit to learn about the collaboration in Derbyshire and see the shared resources.

Work to explore further joint working opportunities and co-locations would continue and it was reported that plans had been submitted for development of the Fire Service's site at Ascot Drive in Derby to a house a number of policing functions, replacing an existing Force site at Cotton Lane.

On behalf of the Panel, the Chairman thanked Mr Dhindsa for his most informative presentation.

**RESOLVED** that (1) the Police and Crime Panel gain assurance that the PCC is fulfilling his statutory duty to collaborate; and

(2) the Police and Crime Panel visit the Joint HQ and Joint Training Centre to see the collaborative work between the two blue light services in action.

**14/19**      **ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE PCC** Hardyal Dhindsa, the Police and Crime Commissioner announced the following:-

- Provision of extra body cams for all officers;
- A new cohort of trainees would be deployed throughout the County next week. Members of the Panel were encouraged to welcome these officers to their areas;
- an update on recruitment and the Rural Crime Team
- Encouraged pressure on Government from the PCC and colleagues in Local Government for additional funding for the Police Authority;
- Derbyshire event in September to look at the challenges Countywide
- Platinum Assurance Mark achieved by staff in his office
- By the end of October, he would have visited every town and village in Derbyshire.

Members made a number comments and asked questions which were duly noted or answered.

**RESOLVED** to note the announcements from the Police and Crime Commissioner.

**15/19**      **PROPOSED VISIT TO POLICE HEADQUARTERS - UPDATE**

Members of the Panel still felt that it would be beneficial for them to visit Headquarters. It was therefore suggested and agreed that the next meeting of the Panel would be held at Headquarters.

**16/19**      **FORTHCOMING EVENTS** The Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) informed Panel Members of the National Police and Crime Panel Annual Conference to be held on 19 November 2019 at Warwick Conference Centre. Any member wishing to attend the conference should contact the Director of Legal and Democratic Services.

**RESOLVED** to note the update

**17/19**      **DATE OF NEXT MEETING** **RESOLVED** to note that the next meeting of the Derbyshire Police and Crime Panel would take place on Thursday 12 September 2019 commencing at 10.00am at Police Headquarters.