

DRAFT MINUTES

Meeting: Police and Crime Committee

Date: Wednesday 21 February 2024

Time: 10.00 am

Place: Chamber, City Hall,
Kamal Chunchie Way, London, E16 1ZE

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Present:

Caroline Russell AM (Chair)

Susan Hall AM (Deputy Chairman)

Marina Ahmad AM

Lord Bailey of Paddington AM

Unmesh Desai AM

Tony Devenish AM

Len Duvall AM

Sem Moema AM

Caroline Pidgeon MBE AM

Keith Prince AM

1 Apologies for Absence and Chair's Announcements (Item 1)

1.1 No apologies for absence were received.

2 Declarations of Interests (Item 2)

2.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Assembly Secretariat.

2.2 **Resolved:**

That the list of offices held by Assembly Members, as set out in the table at Agenda Item 2, be noted as disclosable pecuniary interests.

3 Minutes (Item 3)

3.1 **Resolved:**

That the minutes of the meeting held on 24 January 2024 be signed by the Chair as a correct record.

4 Summary List of Actions (Item 4)

4.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Assembly Secretariat.

4.2 **Resolved:**

That the completed, ongoing and closed actions arising from previous meetings be noted.

5 Question and Answer Session with the Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime and the Metropolitan Police Service (Item 5)

5.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Assembly Secretariat as background to the question and answer session with the Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime (MOPAC) and the Metropolitan Police Service (MPS).

5.2 The Chair welcomed the following guests to the meeting:

- Sophie Linden, Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime; and
- Sir Mark Rowley QPM, Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis.

5.3 A transcript of the discussion is attached at **Appendix 1**.

5.4 During the course of the discussion, Members requested the following additional information from the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis:

- The size of the team that is working on the review of the MPS's finances;
- The number of new Police Community Support Officers recruited to the MPS this year;
- Confirmation of how much the MPS will invest to deliver *A New Met for London*;

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- Further details and a timeline relating to the recruitment of police officers to the MPS;
- Confirmation of the number of MPS officers currently undertaking back-office staff duties;
- Details relating to the responsibilities of new officers working in public protection, particularly whether any officers are solely responsible for child protection issues or whether they cover different areas;
- The changes being made to delivery of training in the MPS;
- The timescales for the launch of the MPS's children and young people strategy, which was due in November 2023; and
- An update on the key changes to be delivered as part of *A New Met for London*.

5.5 The Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime agreed to provide further details on the bodies and groups supporting MOPAC in its oversight of the MPS.

5.6 The meeting adjourned at 11.32am, reconvening at 11.38am.

5.7 **Resolved:**

- (a) That the report and discussion be noted.**
- (b) That the monthly report from the Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime, as attached at Appendix 1 of the report, be noted.**
- (b) That authority be delegated to the Chair, in consultation with party Group Lead Members, to agree any output arising from the discussion.**

6 Police and Crime Committee Work Programme (Item 6)

6.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Assembly Secretariat.

6.2 **Resolved:**

That the Committee's work programme for the 2023/24 Assembly year be noted.

7 Date of Next Meeting (Item 7)

7.1 The next meeting of the Committee was scheduled for 6 March 2024 at 10.00am in the Chamber, City Hall.

8 Any Other Business the Chair Considers Urgent (Item 8)

8.1 There were no items of business that the Chair considered to be urgent.

9 Close of Meeting

9.1 The meeting ended at 12.33pm.

Chair

Date

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