

MINUTES

Meeting: Police and Crime Committee
Date: Tuesday 19 July 2016
Time: 10.00 am
Place: Chamber, City Hall, The Queen's Walk, London, SE1 2AA

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Present:

Steve O'Connell AM (Chairman)
Unmesh Desai AM (Deputy Chair)
Jennette Arnold OBE AM
Kemi Badenoch AM
Sian Berry AM
Andrew Dismore AM
Caroline Pidgeon MBE AM
Keith Prince AM
Peter Whittle AM

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

- 1.1 Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Len Duvall AM, and Florence Eshalomi AM, for whom Jennette Arnold OBE AM attended as a substitute.

2 Declarations of Interests (Item 2)

- 2.1 During the discussion at item 4 on the agenda (Question and Answer Session with the Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime and the Metropolitan Police Service), Jennette Arnold OBE AM declared a non-pecuniary interest as a patron of the UK Association of Forensic Nurses (UKAFN).

2.2 **Resolved:**

- (a) **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.**
- (b) **That Jennette Arnold OBE AM's non-pecuniary interest as a patron of the UKAFN, be noted.**

3 Summary List of Actions (Item 3)

3.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat.

3.2 **Resolved:**

That the ongoing and completed actions arising from the previous meetings of the Committee, as listed in the report, be noted.

4 Question and Answer Session with the Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime and the Metropolitan Police Service (Item 4)

4.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of 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).

4.2 The Chairman welcomed the following guests to the meeting:

- Sophie Linden, Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime; and
- Craig Mackey QPM, Deputy Commissioner, MPS.

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

4.4 During the course of the discussion the Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime undertook to:

- Provide the number of hate crimes in London reported to the British Transport Police and City of London Police since the European Union (EU) referendum; and
- Notify the Committee of the outcome of MOPAC's meetings regarding the closure of HMP Holloway.

4.5 During the course of the discussion the Deputy Commissioner, MPS, undertook to:

- Provide a breakdown of the types of hate crime offences committed since the EU referendum, including:

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- By hate crime type;
- A further breakdown of the broad racist and religious hate crime type if possible; and
- By the number of offences taking place online or offline;
- Provide data on what was known about alleged offenders of hate crime, for example age;
- Confirm whether any profiling on perpetrators or alleged offenders had been undertaken by the MPS;
- Provide a breakdown of from where the 500 supervisory posts within the MPS were being lost;
- Confirm how much the MPS received of the £34 million in national funding for firearms officers;
- Provide a summary of the types of claims against the MPS and whether they had increased, and confirm the MPS budget for claims;
- Provide the current workforce target for custody nurses and confirm whether that had changed since 2013;
- Inform the Committee as to whether the Civil Aviation Authority's guidelines to the MPS for helicopter flights over London were published;
- Inform the Committee when a risk assessment was last undertaken for the MPS's bomb disposal vehicles and the age of the vehicles; and
- Provide an update on the number of police officers who had been trained in using unmanned aerial vehicles (drones).

4.6 In addition, the Deputy Commissioner, MPS, undertook to consider:

- Whether Safer Neighbourhood Officers could do more to engage with elders and representatives of Black, Asian and Minority ethnic communities to make it clear that the MPS had arrested 400 people since 24 June 2016 and to encourage anyone in their communities who experienced hate crime to report it to an elder, community representative, trusted adult or the police; and
- Whether the grade for the post of custody nurse was appropriate or whether it needed regrading in order to attract nurses with the skills that were required.

4.7 At the end of the discussion the Chairman thanked the guests for their attendance and helpful contributions.

4.8 The Chairman also took the opportunity to thank Helen Bailey, MOPAC's Chief Operating Officer, on behalf of the Committee, for her contributions to the Committee's work during her time at MOPAC, as this would be her last meeting of the Committee.

4.9 **Resolved:**

- (a) **That the monthly report from the Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime, attached at Appendix 1 of the report, be noted.**
- (b) **That the report and answers given by the Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime and the MPS to the questions asked by Members be noted and that the Chairman write to the guests with the follow up action.**

5 Police and Crime Committee Work Programme (Item 5)

5.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat.

5.2 **Resolved:**

- (a) **That the work programme as set out in the report be noted.**
- (b) **That authority be delegated to the Chairman, in consultation with party Group Lead Members and Caroline Pidgeon MBE AM to agree arrangements for a site visit in September 2016 to the Metropolitan Police Service's Specialist Training Centre at Gravesend to observe training on public order training.**
- (c) **That, in relation to urgent matters only, a general delegation of authority in respect of the Committee's powers and functions (apart from those that cannot under the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 be delegated) to the Chairman of the Committee, in consultation with party Group Lead Members and Caroline Pidgeon MBE AM, from the close of the meeting until the next meeting of the Committee, scheduled for 8 September 2016, be agreed.**

6 Date of Next Meeting (Item 6)

6.1 The date of the next meeting was scheduled for Thursday, 8 September 2016 at 10am in the Chamber, City Hall.

7 Any Other Business the Chairman Considers Urgent (Item 7)

7.1 There was no other business the Chairman considered urgent.

8 Close of Meeting

8.1 The meeting ended at 12.05 pm.

Chairman

Date

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