

MINUTES

Meeting: Police and Crime Committee
Date: Thursday 20 July 2017
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)
Sian Berry AM (Deputy Chair)
Tony Arbour AM
Unmesh Desai AM
Andrew Dismore AM
Susan Hall AM
Caroline Pidgeon MBE AM

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

1.1 Apologies for absence were received from Len Duvall AM, Florence Eshalomi AM and Peter Whittle AM.

2 Declarations of Interests (Item 2)

2.1 **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 the disclosable pecuniary interest declared by Andrew Dismore AM, as he had an interest in a property on the route of Notting Hill Carnival, in relation to the questions that the Committee would put to the Deputy Mayor for

Policing and Crime and Deputy Commissioner, Metropolitan Police Service (MPS), in relation to Notting Hill Carnival (Agenda Item 6), and his intention to withdraw from the meeting at that point, be noted.

- 2.2 Before the Committee put questions to the Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime and Deputy Commissioner, MPS, in relation to Notting Hill Carnival, Andrew Dismore AM withdrew from the meeting and took no part in the discussion.

3 Minutes (Item 3)

3.1 **Resolved:**

That the minutes of the Police and Crime Committee meeting held on 21 June 2017 be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

4 Summary List of Actions (Item 4)

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

4.2 **Resolved:**

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

5 Action Taken Under Delegated Authority (Item 5)

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

5.2 **Resolved:**

(a) That the recent actions taken by the Chairman, Steve O’Connell AM, under delegated authority, following consultation with the party Group Lead Members and Caroline Pidgeon MBE AM, namely to agree the summary of the Committee’s work undertaken in the 2016-17b Assembly year, be noted.

(b) That the Committee’s report, *Work of the Police and Crime Committee in 2016-17*, be noted.

6 Question and Answer Session with the Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime and the Metropolitan Police Service (Item 6)

6.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat as background to the questions and answer session with the Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime (MOPAC) and the MPS.

6.2 The Chairman welcomed the following guests to the meeting:

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

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

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

- Provide the number of remains of bodies that have been recovered from Grenfell Tower but who had not yet been identified;
- Provide information on which floors police officers had reached in their search and recovery operation at Grenfell Tower;
- Provide a breakdown of the different roles of police officers who were involved in the search and recovery operation at Grenfell Tower;
- Provide a breakdown of the specialist roles of police officers who were currently involved in the criminal investigation at Grenfell Tower;
- Provide any assessment the MPS had on the links between perpetrators and victims of acid and acid-related attacks;
- Provide a response on whether the MPS could produce advice for victims and members of the public on what they should do in the event of a person being subject to an acid attack;
- Provide a response on whether the MPS could support the position of the British Retail Consortium and Association of Convenience Stores that a licence should be required to purchase sulphuric acid and other strong corrosive substances; and
- Provide the cost of policing Notting Hill Carnival in 2016.

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

- Inform the Committee of the number of remaining Accident and Emergency departments which were not sharing data and the reasons why;
- Brief the Committee on the forthcoming knife crime prevention campaign; and
- Arrange for a copy of the street furniture audit of the Notting Hill Carnival footprint to be sent to the Committee once it had been completed.

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- 6.6 At the end of the discussion on acid attacks, Unmesh Desai AM, on behalf of the Committee, expressed his thanks to the Rt Hon Stephen Timms MP for East Ham for providing a memorandum on acid attacks.
- 6.7 At the end of the discussion the Chairman thanked the guests for their attendance and helpful contributions.
- 6.8 **Resolved:**
- (a) That the monthly report from the Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime, attached at Appendix 1 of the report as background to the question and answer session with the Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime and Metropolitan Police Service, 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.**

7 Police and Crime Committee Work Programme (Item 7)

- 7.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat.
- 7.2 **Resolved:**
- (a) That the updated work programme as set out in the report be agreed.**
 - (b) That the terms of reference and scoping for the Committee's scrutiny review of Gun Crime in London, as set out in paragraph 4.6 of the report and scoping paper, attached at Appendix 1 to the report, be agreed.**
 - (c) That the terms of reference and scoping for the Committee's scrutiny review of Women Offenders in London, as set out in paragraph 4.8 of the report and Appendix 2 to the report, be agreed.**
 - (d) That the quarterly monitoring report attached at Appendix 3 to the report, be noted.**
 - (e) That it be agreed, 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 this meeting until the next meeting of the Committee, scheduled for**

6 September 2017.

8 Date of Next Meeting (Item 8)

8.1 The date of the next meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, 6 September 2017 at 10am in the Chamber, City Hall.

9 Any Other Business the Chairman Considers Urgent (Item 9)

9.1 There was no other business the Chairman considered urgent.

10 Close of Meeting

10.1 The meeting ended at 12.25pm.

Chairman

Date

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