

MINUTES

Meeting: Police and Crime Committee

Date: Wednesday 23 January 2019

Time: 10.00 am

Place: Committee Room 5, City Hall, The Queen's Walk, London, SE1 2AA

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Present:

Unmesh Desai AM (Deputy Chair in the Chair)

Tony Arbour AM

Sian Berry AM

Tony Devenish AM

Andrew Dismore AM

Florence Eshalomi AM

Susan Hall AM

Caroline Pidgeon MBE AM

Peter Whittle AM

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

1.1 Apologies for absence were received from: Steve O'Connell AM (Chairman), for whom Tony Devenish AM attended as a substitute; and Len Duvall AM.

1.2 In the absence of the Chairman, and in accordance with Standing Order 2.1B, the meeting was chaired by Unmesh Desai AM, Deputy Chair.

2 Declarations of Interests (Item 2)

2.1 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 Summary List of Actions (Item 3)

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

3.2 Resolved:

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

4 Stop and Search (Item 4)

4.1 The Committee received the report of the Executive Director of Secretariat, as background to putting questions to invited guests on stop and search.

4.2 The Chair welcomed the following guests:

- Neena Samota, StopWatch, Programme Director Criminology and Sociology and Programme Director MA Human Trafficking, Migration and Organised Crime, St Mary's University;
- Jay Bance, Peer Outreach Team, Greater London Authority (GLA);
- Derreem Huggins, Peer Outreach Team, GLA;
- Oluwatosin Adegoke, Stop and Search Monitoring Group, Hackney CVS; and
- Deji Adeoshun, Youth Leadership Manager, Hackney CVS.

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

4.4 During the course of the discussion Neena Samota agreed to provide:

- A copy of the recent report produced by StopWatch, LSE and Release, *The Colour of Injustice: 'Race', drugs and law enforcement in England and Wales* on the disproportional impact on black and minority ethnic (BAME) groups of stop and search; and
- Evidence of the disproportionate impact on BAME groups of stop and searches under Section 60 of the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1994 and evidence of Section 60 being used without good reason.

4.5 At the end of the discussion, the Chair thanked the guests for their attendance and very helpful contributions.

4.6 **Resolved:**

- (a) **That the action taken by the Chairman under delegated authority, following consultation with the party Group Lead Members and Caroline Pidgeon MBE M, to agree the scoping for the meeting be noted.**
- (b) **That the report and discussion be noted.**
- (c) **That the Chair writes to Neena Samota requesting the follow-up information as outlined in paragraph 4.4 above.**
- (d) **That authority be delegated to the Chairman, in consultation with party Group Lead Members and Caroline Pidgeon MBE AM, to agree any output from the discussion.**

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:**

That the progress on work programme, as set out in the report, be noted.

6 Date of Next Meeting (Item 6)

6.1 The date of the next meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, 6 February 2019 at 10am in Committee Room 5, City Hall.

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

7.1 There was no other business the Chair considered urgent.

8 Close of Meeting

8.1 The meeting ended at 12.04pm.

Chairman

Date

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