

Report To: Safe, Sustainable Communities Committee **Date:** 17 January 2011
Report By: Corporate Director Education & Communities **Report No:** SCS/88/12/AH/DH
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Subject: **Strathclyde Police Authority – Minutes of Meeting of 23 June 2011**

1.0 PURPOSE

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to submit for Members information a copy of the Minutes of the Meeting of the Strathclyde Police Authority, as per Appendix 1, held on 23 June 2011

2.0 SUMMARY

- 2.1 The Council is represented on the Strathclyde Police Authority by Councillors Moran and White.
- 2.2 It has been agreed that the Minutes be presented to the Safe, Sustainable Communities Committee as they become available.

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 It is recommended that the Committee note the contents of the report.

Albert Henderson
Corporate Director Education & Communities



STRATHCLYDE POLICE AUTHORITY - MINUTES OF MEETING ON 23 JUNE 2011

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MINUTES OF NINETY FIFTH MEETING HELD ON

THURSDAY 23 JUNE 2011

Held in City Chambers, Glasgow

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Attended:

City of Glasgow:

Councillor Stephen Curran (Convener)
Councillor Andy Muir
Councillor Euan McLeod
Councillor Irfan Rabbani
Councillor Iris Gibson
Councillor Christopher Mason

Renfrewshire

Councillor Celia Lawson
Councillor Bill Perrie

North Lanarkshire:

Councillor Joe Shaw
Councillor Danny Carrigan

East Dunbartonshire:

Councillor Anne Jarvis

South Lanarkshire:

Councillor Allan Falconer (Vice Convener)
Councillor Brian McKenna
Councillor Andy Carmichael
Councillor Sheena Wardhaugh

North Ayrshire

Councillor Ronnie McNicol

South Ayrshire:

Councillor Peter Convery
Councillor Margaret Toner

West Dunbartonshire

Councillor Lawrence O'Neill

Apologies: Councillors McFadden, (Glasgow); Johnston (North Lanarkshire); MacMillan, McQueen (Argyll & Bute); Moran, Brooks (Inverclyde); Grant, Cunningham (East Renfrewshire); Walker (East Dunbartonshire); Cuninghame, Todd (East Ayrshire); and McElhill (West Dunbartonshire)

Attending: K Mannings (Chief Executive); E Connor (Deputy Chief Executive); S House (Chief Constable, Strathclyde Police); N Richardson (Deputy Chief Constable, Strathclyde Police); G Hamilton (Assistant Chief Constable, Strathclyde Police); J Gillies (Director HR, Strathclyde Police); A Macleod (Director of Finance and Resources, Strathclyde Police); R Shorthouse (Director of Corporate Communications, Strathclyde Police); Catherine Duffy (Legal Services Manager, Contracts/Commercial, Strathclyde Police); J Cuddihy (Superintendent, Strathclyde Police) Andrew Gunn (Detective Chief Inspector, Strathclyde Police) and S Crichton (Assistant Treasurer).

Councillor Curran extended a warm welcome to Councillor Lawrence O'Neill from West Dunbartonshire Council who had replaced David McBride as a member of Strathclyde Police Authority

The Chief Executive indicated that the Best Value report was still subject to a final report on findings by the Accounts Commission. He indicated to members that he proposed to hold two seminars, one for members and officers to discuss the Best Value report and one for members, officers and the Force. He advised members that he would contact them shortly to advise of a suitable date following recess. Mr Mannings also updated members on police reform which was discussed at the Scottish Policing Board on 21 June.

1. Minutes of meetings held since last Authority meeting

- (a) the minutes of the Personnel Sub-committee meeting held on 22 March 2011 were submitted and noted;
- (b) the minutes of the Resources and Best Value Sub-committee meeting held on 30 March 2011 were submitted and noted;
- (c) the Complaints Sub-committee meeting which was due to be held 12 April 2011 was abandoned due to being inquorate;
- (d) the minutes of the Audit Sub-committee meeting held on 19 April 2011 were submitted and noted;
- (e) the minutes of the Authority meeting held on 21 April 2011 were submitted. Councillor Rose-Ann Cuninghame asked that her name be added to the sederunt as she was present at the meeting. Mr Mannings referred to Item 3 the Strathclyde Police Authority Review and indicated that following communication from some members there would be an adjustment to the Committee Membership. He also advised that in relation to Item 7 the Procurement Scotland – Utilities Framework for the Supply of Water and Waste Water Services and Provision of Automatic Meter Reading Services, the update report was included in the papers to be discussed at the meeting.
- (f) the minutes of the Extraordinary Personnel Sub-committee meeting held on 27 April 2011 were submitted and noted.

Part 1

2. Strathclyde Police Authority Review

The Chief Executive submitted a report detailing the ongoing implementation of the Review of the Police Authority. The report asked for approval of the recommendations within the report to facilitate good governance and scrutiny improvement measures. Having heard from the Chief Executive in further explanation of the report, and after a full discussion, the Authority: (i) agreed to note the update to the review and implementation status of the 14 recommendations specified within the report; and (ii) agreed the membership of the Police Authority Management Sub-committee.

3. Strathclyde Police Authority – Member Training Framework

The Chief Executive submitted a report inviting members to approve a Member Training Framework for Strathclyde Police Authority. Having heard from the Chief Executive in further explanation of the report and after a full discussion, the Authority agreed: (i) a Member Training Framework for Strathclyde Police Authority; and (ii) the development of an action plan – service delivery model for the Member Training Framework.

4. Update Paper Regarding Procurement Scotland – Utilities Framework for the Supply of Waste and Waste Water Services and Provision of Automatic Meter Reading Services

The Chief Constable submitted a report advising members of the anticipated savings to be achieved as a result of participation in the Procurement Scotland Utilities Framework for the Supply of Water and Waste Water Services and Provision of Automatic Meter Reading Services. After discussion the Authority agreed to note the terms of the report.

5. Update on Progress and Procurement Strategy on the Potential Relocation to New Force Headquarters

The Chief Constable submitted a report advising members on the progress made in relation to the potential relocation of Force Headquarters and to invite members to consider options and provide direction in relation to the manner of any future disposal of the existing headquarters building in Pitt Street, Glasgow. Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Convery, moved as an amendment that the Authority proceed with option 1 as detailed at 3.12 within the report with the addition of obtaining the assignation for Strathclyde House 8. As there were no votes for the amendment the amendment fell and the Authority agreed to: (i) note the progress to date in relation to the Planning Application and the results of the Site Investigation Report commissioned by Clyde Gateway; (ii) note the advice provided by the Authority's Consultants in relation to securing the best price from any disposal of the Pitt Street premises as a result of any Force Headquarters relocation; (iii) confirm Option 3 as the preferred option; (iv) authorise the appointment of agents by varying the scope of the appointment of the Authority's Consultants to include the independent marketing of the Pitt Street premises; to authorise the Director of Legal Services, Strathclyde Police and the Force's Acting Property Services Manager, acting on behalf of the Police Authority, to negotiate and agree terms and conditions for a variation to the existing appointment of Turner and Townsend as the Authority's Consultants.

6. Standing Orders relating to Contracts and Scheme of Functions Delegated to Officers: Update

There was submitted a joint report by the Chief Executive and the Chief Constable relative to the need for an update of the Standing Orders relating to Contracts, and Scheme of Functions Delegated to Officers, in light of organisational change within the Force, and approval was sought to amend both documents with effect from 1 July 2011. Having heard from the Chief Executive in further explanation, the Authority agreed: (i) to note the terms of the report; (ii) to approve and implement with effect from 1 July 2011, the variations to the Standing Orders Relating to Contracts, and Scheme of Functions Delegated to Officers, as detailed within the report, and furthermore, specifically delegated to the Chief Executive authority to implement such variations to Section 7 delegations as most appropriate; and (iii) to note that the outcome of the ongoing reviews of the existing Scheme of Functions Delegated to Officers, and Financial Regulations, will be the subject of further reports to be submitted to future meetings of the Police Authority for consideration.

PART 2

7. Chief Constable's Verbal Report to Members

The Chief Constable provided an oral report to members on current matters relating to the delivery of the Police service in Strathclyde. In particular, he spoke about the suspect packages which had been delivered to several prominent people and advised members that considerable time and effort had been spent in tracking down the suspects. He intimated that two suspects had been detained and charged and were now awaiting trial.

Mr House updated members on the Property Strategy and in particular, he advised members that the modular cells project at Kilmarnock, which was a joint venture with the Court Service, was due to be opened on Tuesday 16 August and members would receive an invitation in due course.

Mr House then advised members that the Police Officer recruitment had been reopened as of 15 June 2011 via the Strathclyde Police website. This was necessary in order to maintain the level of officers commensurate with Scottish Government targets.

Mr House then advised members that a letter had been issued by COSLA to the Trade Unions regarding changes to support staff terms and conditions which included holidays and overtime. He indicated that the Trade Unions had been asked to respond by the end of the month.

Councillor Curran advised members that he would deal with Item 8, an excluded item on the agenda, but that given current timings he would also bring forward item 16 for consideration. .

Exclusion of Public

The Authority resolved in terms of Section 50J (1) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 that the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the next two items of business, it being considered that otherwise there would be disclosure to them of exempt information in terms of Paragraphs 6, 8, 9 and 10 of Schedule 7A of the said Act.

8. CT Investigations – Impact and Implications for Strathclyde Police - Presentation

Superintendent John Cuddihy spoke in relation to recent counter terrorism investigations and the impact and implications for Strathclyde Police. Detective Chief Inspector Andrew Gunn spoke in detail to the presentation and members were then given an opportunity to question the officers. After the presentation, and having answered questions put to them, the members agreed to note the contents of the presentation.

16. Framework Agreement for the Supply and Delivery of Mountain Bikes and Accessories

The Chief Constable submitted a report inviting members to note the procurement exercise undertaken in relation to a UK wide Framework Agreement in respect of the Supply and Delivery of Mountain Bikes and Accessories and to consider the award of a Framework Agreement and future Contract thereunder to satisfy the requirements of Strathclyde Police in respect of Mountain Bikes and Accessories. Having heard from Mr Macleod in further explanation, the members agreed to approve the report as detailed in 6.1 of the report.

Part 2 Continued – Members of the public were allowed back into the meeting.

9. Force Performance Report

The Chief Constable submitted a report advising members of the publication of the year end Force Strategy - 2010/11 Performance Summary and the publication of the year to date Force Strategy – 2011/12 Performance Summary. Having heard from the Chief Constable in further explanation, the members agreed to note the contents of the report and the attached appendices.

10. Complaints about the Police – Statistical Return

There was submitted a report by the Chief Constable detailing statistical information relative to investigation of complaints against members of the Force for the period 1 April 2010 and 31 March 2011 and also 1 April 2011 to 31 May 2011. The report also advised on the number of complainers who had been considered malicious by the Area Procurator Fiscal and where reports had been submitted at the instigation of the Area Procurator Fiscal. After discussion, the members agreed to note the contents of the report.

11. Revenue Budgetary Control 2011/12

There was submitted a report by the Chief Constable relative to the position of the Strathclyde Police Revenue Budget as at 31 May 2011. The report provided a comparison of actual expenditure for the period 1 April 2010 to 31 May 2011 against estimated expenditure and indicated that the net expenditure position was showing an underspend of £422,480 or 0.6%. Having heard from Mr Macleod in further explanation, the members agreed to note the current position of the Strathclyde Police Revenue Budget.

12. Councillor Curran advised members that this item, 'Keeping People Safe' and Item 14, Strathclyde Police Annual Report 2010/11, would be further considered by a committee of the Authority.

13. Contracts Reported since last Authority Meeting

There was submitted a report by the Chief Constable relative to all contracts accepted during the period 1 April 2011 to 31 May 2011 with an estimated value of between £40,000 and £200,000 (both exclusive of VAT). Having heard from Mr Macleod in further explanation, the members agreed to note the terms of the report.

15. Force Training and Recruitment Centre Update

There was submitted a report by the Chief Constable appraising members of the continued operation of the Force Training and Recruitment Centre at Jackton, East Kilbride under the Private Finance Project (PFI) for the period 1 October 2009 to 31 March 2011. Having heard from Mr Macleod in further explanation, the members agreed to note the contents of the report.