

Attendees: Vera Baird, Elaine Snaith, Scott Duffy, Mike Tait, Richard Heron, Mike Mullen, Melanie Dixon.

Meeting opened at 9am Meeting closed at 11.35am

Location - Balliol Business Park.

The Commissioner welcomes colleagues to the meeting and asked Mike Tait to give his **finance reports**. MT gave an overview of the internal governance meeting, it was agreed that governance issues would be a standing item throughout the year.

Final accounts are progressing and various meetings taking place to bring to a conclusion.

Work is continuing to transfer systems from Gateshead Council to Northumbria Police.

1. Crimestoppers

A written report was presented to the meeting and a brief discussion took place. Winton Kennan to provide a further report for consideration by the Chief Constable and Police & Crime Commissioner.

2. Forth Banks

Maureen Berne gave an overview of ideas and how work is progressing on the opening for the new police station at Forth Banks.

A number of ideas were discussed. MB to keep the Commissioner updated.

3. TWFRS

Northumbria Police and Tyne & Wear Fire and Rescue Service continue to meet on a regular basis to discuss various site issues, Mike Mullen will continue to liaise with TWFRS and will keep the Commissioner updated.

4. Court Access update

Richard Heron gave a report on the position of Pilgrim Street Police Station. RH and Mike Mullen to keep the Commissioner updated with progress.

5. Forth Banks Airwaves Licence

An application has been received to allow the new station to be used at no cost. This is normal customs and practice. The Commissioner agreed to this request.

6. Gillbridge Police Station

Sunderland City Council is undertaking a large improvement programme around the area. Agreement from the Police & Crime Commissioner was given for a license request from the local authority.

7. Legal update

Richard Heron gave a legal update on the work his department are progressing, likewise as did Melanie Dixon for the Corporate Communications department.