

NORTHUMBRIA PCC MINUTES

Title

JOINT BUSINESS MEETING

Date

16 May 2019

Location

PCCs Office, Victory House

Duration

10:00 – 10:20

Present:

Dame Vera Baird	Police and Crime Commissioner (Chair)
Winton Keenen	Chief Constable
Scott Duffy	Director of Governance and Communications, OPCC
Darren Best	Deputy Chief Constable
Joscelin Lawson	Director of People and Development
David Felton	Temporary Assistant Chief Constable (Protective Services)
Mike Tait	Director of Finance and IT and Joint Chief Finance Officer
Dean Lowery	Officer of the PCC

Apologies:

Ruth Durham	Chief of Staff, OPCC
Debbie Ford	Assistant Chief Constable (Local Policing)
Rachel Bacon	Assistant Chief Constable (Citizen Focus)

OPEN SESSION

1. MINUTES OF THE OPEN SESSION OF JOINT BUSINESS MEETING HELD ON 2nd MAY 2019

Agreed as a true and accurate record.

2. OVERVIEW OF NORTHUMBRIA POLICE OPERATIONS

Assistant Chief Constable (Protective Services) presented an overview report of operations undertaken by Northumbria Police which is to be presented to the Northumbria Police and Crime Panel following a request for further information.

Update *noted*.

3. FRAUD: TIME TO CHOOSE – AN INSPECTION OF THE POLICE RESPONSE TO FRAUD

Assistant Chief Constable (Protective Services) presented a report which provided an overview of the findings of Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary and Fire and Rescue Services (HMCFRS) thematic inspection on fraud.

ACC Felton confirmed that a further report is due to be presented to Scrutiny Meeting in October 2019 to report on progress made towards the national recommendations.

Update *noted*.



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4. **DRAFT ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT FOR THE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER**

The Director of Finance and Joint Chief Finance Officer presented the Draft Annual Governance Statement of the Police and Crime Commissioner.

It was noted that the draft statement had been presented to the Joint Independent Audit Committee who provided comment and approved for presentation.

The Commissioner was informed that these will be presented to the 30th June 2019 JBM meeting for final signoff.

AGREED: The paper was noted.

5. **DRAFT ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT FOR THE CHIEF CONSTABLE OF NORTHUMBRIA POLICE**

The Director of Finance and Joint Chief Finance Officer presented the Draft Annual Governance Statement of the Chief Constable.

It was noted that the draft statement had been presented to the Joint Independent Audit Committee who provided comment and approved for presentation.

The Chief Constable was informed that these will be presented to the 30th June 2019 JBM meeting for final signoff.

AGREED: The paper was noted.

6. **PROVISIONAL REVENUE OUTTURN 2018/19**

The Joint Chief Finance Officer presented the Provisional Revenue Outturn 2018/19.

It was noted that the provisional Group Outturn Position is £262.858m as at 31st March 2019.

The Joint Chief Finance Officer confirmed that the key decision contained in the report pack was mistakenly added as when the final figures are presented a key decision will be signed at this point.

AGREED: That the Provisional Revenue Outturn for 18/19 was noted.

7. **PROVISIONAL CAPITAL OUTTURN 2018/19**

The Joint Chief Finance Officer presented the Provisional Capital Outturn 2018/19.

It was noted that the provisional Group Capital Outturn position £7.154m against the re-phased Q3 2018/19 Capital Programme of £12.760m including funded schemes.

The Joint Chief Finance Officer highlighted underspends with further detail to be provided at the next meeting of the JBM.

The Joint Chief Finance Officer confirmed that the key decision contained in the report pack was mistakenly added as when the final figures are presented a key decision will be signed at this point.



AGREED: That the Provisional Capital Outturn for 18/19 was noted.

8. RESOURCE INVESTMENT FOR 2019/20

Deputy Chief Constable Best presented a report which provided an overview of resource investment for 2019/20.

The report highlights that £3.3m was available for investment following the increase in the Police Precept of £12 which is predicted on the force continuing to achieve their planned workforce savings in areas such as Criminal Justice and Business Support.

The report sets out use of this money to maintain the revised officer baseline of 3,070 posts costing £1.9m and remove the need to make previously planned reductions in officer numbers.

The report also highlights that the remaining funding will be used to increase staffing in priority areas such as investigation and safeguarding with these proposed roles highlighted within the report.

It was noted that following the predicted spend above relating to maintaining officer numbers and increase in staffing in priority areas, there is an approximate £500k remaining which the Chief Officer Team proposing to wait until the new force operating model has been agreed before this spend is utilised.

AGREED: That the report was noted

9. FORWARD PLAN

The forward plan was agreed as presented.

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None.

11. DATE, TIME AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

30 May 2019, 10:00, Victory House, Balliol.



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