

**Chief Officer Group** 

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# **19 November 2007**

# **Minutes**

#### **OPEN**

Present:

Craig Mackey Christine Twigg Mike Thompson Joanna Bancroft Ali Dufty Chief Constable Deputy Chief Constable Director of Finance and Resources Director of Personnel and Development Staff Officer

# 1 Apologies for absence

ACC Sunderland and ACC Rhodes.

# 2 Minutes of meeting of 5 November 2007

The minutes were agreed. The Director of Finance & Resources stated he would be reporting costings to the Police Authority in relation to item 7. He added that an improvement plan in relation to PURE (Police Use of Resources – item 10) was under development and that he would need to discuss this with chief officers.

# 3 Declaration of any other business

There was no other business declared.

# 4 Action updates

Examine hands free mobile phone equipment options for silver and gold commanders – ONGOING.

Seek DCC's views regarding circulation of COG Closed minutes - ONGOING

# Action owner(s)

# **Not Protectively Marked**

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#### 5 Minutes to note

The minutes and actions of the Resourcing & Standards Board 26.10.07 were noted.

#### 6 Standing Items

# a) COG diary commitments and command cover

These were noted. DCC Twigg asked for the Gold command cover for the week commencing 19 November to be checked for accuracy *[done]*.

CC Mackey offered his congratulations to DCC Twigg on her appointment as Chair to the Common Purpose Advisory Board.

# b) Press issues

The Head of Media & Marketing joined the meeting for this item only. She provided an overview of related issues, including reference to the appearances at court of both youths involved in the incident in which PC Sherlock was injured. She also informed the group that the Constabulary is working on two projects with Border TV.

The group then discussed issues relating to the Police Authority meeting the following day, and the need for internal as well as external communication, particularly around the South Cumbria review project led by DCC Twigg.

# Agenda Items

# 7 Unison post

CC Mackey queried the status of the temporary full time Unison representative and suggested regularising the post. The group agreed this in principle; Personnel & Development will now ensure terms of reference are developed.

Action: Facilitate permanent Unison representative post.

**Director P & D** 

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# 8 Police Authority attendance at interim Performance & Development Conferences

The group noted the attendance of the Police Authority performance officer and member representative at interim PDCs, following an invitation to do so by ACC Sunderland.

# 9 Any other business

There was no other business.

- 10 Closed agenda
- 11 Date of next meeting

10 December 2007.

# **Not Protectively Marked**