# MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL, HELD ON TUESDAY 2 JULY 2019 AT CHURCHGATE HOUSE, MANCHESTER

### PRESENT:

Councillor Nadim Muslim Bolton Council

Councillor Nigel Murphy Manchester City Council

Councillor Steve Williams Oldham Council

Councillor Janet Emsley Rochdale Council

Councillor David Lancaster Salford City Council

Councillor Kevin Anderson Wigan Council

Councillor Amanda Peers Stockport

Councillor Mike Freeman Trafford Council

Angela Lawrence MBE Independent Member

Majid Hussain Independent Member

**ALSO PRESENT:** 

GM Deputy Mayor Baroness Hughes

Councillor Paula Boshell Salford City Council

**OFFICERS:** 

Jeanette Staley Salford City Council & GM Police and & Crime Policy

Lead

Clare Monaghan GMCA

Steve Annette GMCA Governance and Scrutiny

# PCP/19/08 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence was received and noted from Councillor Sharon Briggs, Bury Council, Eamonn Boylan, Chief Executive, GMCA, Carolyn Wilkins, Chief Executive, Oldham Council and Steve Rumbelow, Chief Executive, Rochdale Council.

# PCP19/09 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR FOR 2019/2020

The GMCA Police and Crime Policy Lead sought nominations for the appointment of Chair to the Police and Crime Panel for 2019/20.

A nomination was made for Councillor Nigel Murphy to be appointed as Chair. There being no other nominations made, and upon a Motion then being so proposed and seconded, it was -.

# **RESOLVED/-**

That Councillor Nigel Murphy be appointed as Chair of the Police and Crime Panel for the 2019/2020 Municipal Year.

### **COUNCILLOR NIGEL MURPHY (IN THE CHAIR)**

# PCP/19/10 MEMBERSHIP OF THE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL FOR 2019/2020

The Committee was asked to note the Membership of the Panel for the 2019/20 Municipal Year, as agreed by the GMCA, at its meeting on 31 May 2019, as follows:

Member	District	Party
Councillor Nadim Muslim	Bolton	Conservative
Councillor Sharon Briggs	Bury	Labour
Councillor Nigel Murphy	Manchester	Labour
Councillor Stephen Williams	Oldham	Labour
Councillor Janet Emsley	Rochdale	Labour
Councillor David Lancaster	Salford	Labour
Councillor Amanda Peers	Stockport	Labour
Councillor Alison Gwynne	Tameside	Labour
Councillor Mike Freeman	Trafford	Labour
Councillor Kevin Anderson	Wigan	Labour
Majid Hussain	Independent Member	
Angela Lawrence MBE	Independent Member	

#### **RESOLVED/-**

- 1. That the Membership of the Police and Crime Panel, for the 2019/20 Municipal Year, as set out above, be noted.
- 2. That the Panel records and conveys its sincere thanks to Councillor Tamoor Tariq, Councillor Mohammed Ayub and Councillor Elise Wilson for their past support and valuable contributions to the work of the Panel.
- 3. That at the next meeting, consideration be given to the appointment of a vice-chair for the remainder of the Municipal Year 2019/20.

# PCP/19/11 MEMBERS' CODE OF CONDUCT

Members were reminded of their obligations under the GMCA Members' Code of Conduct.

### **RESOLVED/-**

That the obligations be noted by those Members present.

# PCP/19/ 12 ANNUAL DECLARATION OF INTEREST FORM

Members were reminded of the requirement, in accordance with Sections 30 and 31 of the Localism Act 2011 and the GMCA Code of Conduct for Members, for them each to complete and return their Annual Declaration of Interests form. Members were also asked to note that their completed declarations would subsequently appear on the GMCA website.

### **RESOLVED/-**

That the requirement of Members to complete their Annual Declaration of Interests form, be noted.

#### PCP/19/13 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were asked to declare any personal or prejudicial interests in relation to any of the items appearing on the agenda for the present meeting.

#### **RESOLVED/-**

There were no such declarations made.

#### PCP/19/14 MINUTES OF THE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL HELD ON 31 JANUARY, 2019

The minutes of the meeting of the Police and Crime Panel held on 31 January 2019 were submitted.

It was reported and noted that there were some typographical errors within the Minutes.

#### **RESOLVED/-**

1. That the minutes of the meeting of the Police and Crime Panel held on 31 January 2019, be approved as a correct record.

# PCP/19/15 MINISTER OF JUSTICE (MoJ) DEVOLUTION AGREEMENT

Alison Connelly, Criminal Justice and Victims, GMCA introduced a report and provided an overview and background on the refreshed Justice Devolution Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Minister for Justice, and outlined developments, progress next steps, and governance arrangements going forward. She added that it was clear that the ambition at a GM level was beginning to be matched at a government level. She added

that the refreshed MoU focused on the four key priorities of the GM Justice and Rehabilitation Executive – Youth Justice; Smarter Justice; Reforming Adult Offender Management and Improving the Victim Journey, and provided some examples of how these four key areas would be explored. In lieu of a joint letter that was to be circulated soon, from the NPS and CRC regarding the decision to create a stand-alone GM Probation Area, a statement was tabled for information.

The Greater Manchester Deputy Mayor (Policing and Crime) indicated that what was very clear from the commitment by government was the willingness to use Greater Manchester as a test ground for interventions that, if proved effective, might be rolled out nationally. This she thought said a great deal for our reputational standing.

A member asked what marketing strategy was planned going forward, adding that it was important to ensure there was 'buy in' from the general public and that it provided the widest possible confidence in the criminal justice system. In response Alison Connelly, GMCA said that it was something that she would look at going forward. It was also suggested that it would be useful if information was shared with GM Community Safety Partnership Executive Boards.

# **RESOLVED/-**

1. To note the progress made towards the Justice Devolution refresh, and that the contributions to the next stage of developing the delivery plan be welcomed.

# PCP/19/16 GREATER MANCHESTER POLICE AND CRIME PANEL COMPLAINTS PROCEDURE

Jeanette Staley, Salford City Council and GM Police & Crime Policy Lead, introduced a report that presented the revised Complaints Procedure relating to the handling of complaints about the conduct of the GM Mayor and the Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime. She added that there was a minor amendment to the procedure, which was described in the report, and that a flow-chart had been included to better demonstrate the complaints procedure process.

#### **RESOLVED/-**

1. That the revised Complaints Procedure for the Greater Manchester Police and Crime Panel as described in the report be approved.

# PCP/19/17 ANNUAL RECORD OF COMPLAINTS RECORDED ON BEHALF OF THE GREATER MANCHESTER POLICE AND CRIME PANEL

Jeanette Staley, Salford City Council and GM Police & Crime Policy Lead, introduced a report, which presented a summary of complaints recorded on the Greater Manchester Police and Crime Panel complaints record in respect of police and crime matters. She reported that four complaints had been received and she provided members with a brief update of each of those complaints and outcomes.

# **RESOLVED/-**

1. That the report be noted.

# PCP/19/18 GREATER MANCHESTER POLICE AND CRIME PANEL – PANEL ARRANGEMENTS

Jeanette Staley, Salford City Council and GM Police & Crime Policy Lead, introduced a report that set out the arrangements for the Greater Manchester Police and Crime Panel (GMPCP). She reported that there was one slight amendment to the panel arrangements, namely that of permitting the constituent authorities to appoint a substitute member.

# **RESOLVED/-**

1. To note the Panel Arrangements as detailed in Appendix 1 of the report, as approved by the AGMA Executive Board on 27 July 2018.

# PCP/19/19 GREATER MANCHESTER POLICE AND CRIME PANEL RULES OF PROCEDURE

Consideration was given to a report that set out the current Rules of Procedure for the Greater Manchester Police and Crime Panel (GMPCP) and proposed minor amendment to Rule 1.1, to allow a substitute appointed member acting in place of that member.

#### **RESOLVED/-**

- 1. To note the Greater Manchester Police and Crime Panel (GMPCP) Rules of Procedure, as detailed in Appendix 1 of the report.
- 2. That the amendment to Rule 1.1 be approved.

#### PCP/19/20 CHIEF CONSTABLE - CONTRACT EXTENSION

A report was presented which informed the Panel of the action of the Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime to extend the Chief Constable's appointment by two years.

The Chair and Panel members welcomed the decision of the GM Deputy Mayor, given the support the Chief Constable had given to the work of this Panel, as well as his leadership, championing and sustained commitment to driving forward GMP's transformational change programme.

#### **RESOLVED/-**

1. To note the action of the Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime to extend the Chief Constables appointed by two years, until October 2021.

# PCP/19/21 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DEPUTY MAYOR MAY 2017 – MARCH 2019

The Greater Manchester Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime presented the Annual Report of the GM Deputy Mayor, May 2017 - March 2019, which outlined the functions, activity and progress in meeting the police and crime objectives in the Mayor's Police and Crime Plan – Standing Together. She added that she welcomed members' views to the draft report and reported that she had requested some further design work on the first part of the report to make it more accessible. The Deputy Mayor said that despite the many challenges in terms of both the increasing levels and complexity of crime and the consequent demand this placed on police and partners, and in the context of significantly reduced resources, the police and partners within communities were doing an incredibly good job. The Deputy Mayor added that the intention was to clearly articulate within the report the connection between the police service and what was happening in communities for a whole array of different partners.

A member commented that she felt that the part of the report that dealt with the grant budget and grant accountability was vague and did not provide sufficient detail, and she requested more information. In response, the GM Deputy Mayor said that that the fuller information requested was contained within the summary document to the plan. A member commented that he would like to see more examples of shared good practice so that members of the public were better informed on all that has been achieved. The Chair said that should members have any further comments then they should send them to officers in due course.

# **RESOLVED/-**

1. To note the report.

#### PCP/19/22 DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

The Chair suggested that it would be useful if members had a discussion around how we would wish to work going forward and how this could be best co-ordinated with the GM Police and Crime Steering Group. Any ideas or comments in this regard should be sent to the Chair of the Panel.

#### PCP/19/23 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Chair reported that the eighth conference for chairs, members and officers of Police (Fire) and Crime Panels was to take place on Tuesday 19 November, 2019 at Warwick Conference Centre, and said that if any member was interested in attending they should contact either himself, or the Governance and Scrutiny Team officer for further information.