## DRAFT MINUTES OF THE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 12 DECEMBER, 2017 AT MANCHESTER TOWN HALL

Members Present-

BURY COUNCIL GMCA	Councillor Tamoor Tariq (Chair for part of proceedings) Deputy Mayor (Policing and Crime) Beverley Hughes
ROCHDALE COUNCIL	Councillor Janet Emsley
SALFORD CC	Councillor David Lancaster
STOCKPORT MBC	Councillor Wendy Wild
TRAFFORD COUNCIL	Councillor Laura Evans
WIGAN COUNCIL	Councillor - Nazia Rehman
INDEPENDENT MEMBER	Maqsood Ahmed
INDEPENDENT MEMBER	Diane Curry
Also in attendance –	
Ian Hopkins Gwynne Williams Clare Monaghan Jayne Stephenson Claire Millett Paul Argyle Holly Rae Jeanette Staley Steve Annette	GMP GMCA GMCA GMCA GMCA Civil Contingencies & Resilience Unit, GMCA Stockport Council Salford City Council & GM Police & Crime Policy Lead Governance and Scrutiny Officer, GMCA

## PCP/17/17 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR

#### **RESOLVED/-**

That Maqsood Ahmad, Independent Member be appointed interim Chair until the arrival of Councillor Tariq Tamoor, Chair of the Police and Crime Panel.

#### PCP/17/18 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillor Sultan Ali, Councillor Barbara Brownridge, Councillor Derek Burrows, Councillor Nigel Murphy, Councillor Joe Kitchen, Eamonn Boylan, GMCA, Pat Jones - Greenhalgh, Bury Council, Steven Pleasant, Tameside Council and Steve Rumbelow, Rochdale Council.

## PCP/17/19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None were received.

#### PCP/17/20 MINUTES OF THE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL MEETING – 31 OCTOBER, 2017

The minutes of the Police and Crime Panel held on 31 October 2017 were submitted for approval.

#### **RESOLVED/-**

To approve the minutes of the Police and Crime Panel held on 31October 2017 as an accurate record.

#### PCP/17/21 LORD KERSLAKE REVIEW

Paul Argyle, Multi Agency Strategic Lead, GMCA introduced a report in this regard. He reported that the Greater Manchester Mayor, in the exercise of his Police and Crime Commissioner functions, has commissioned a non-statutory Independent Review into the preparedness for and response to the Manchester Arena Terrorist Attack which took place on the 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2017. The review would be a comprehensive, staged review to take account of the complexities surrounding the incident and recognising both the ongoing criminal investigation and Coronial investigation, and with a focus on independence and transparency with interim findings published in early January 2018 and final recommendations published in March 2018. It would also look at those aspects of the preparedness and response that were effective and those that may inform good practice, together with, where necessary and appropriate, to advise on what steps might be taken to address any areas that may be strengthened or improved and what learning could also be shared with other cities.

He added that the review had clear Terms of Reference and placed people involved and affected at the heart of the review and clarified what was and what was not in-scope. The Panel was advised of the resources and other Panel members supporting the review. He then described how public engagement and information gathering would be conducted. The Panel noted that the National Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children (NSPCC) were engaged as the key conduit and support mechanism for listening to people and receiving information about people's views and experiences.

The report described that the Independent Review was tasked with identifying the elements of the preparation and response that had worked well, as well as quickly identifying where improvements could be made and this would help responders be better prepared in the future and protect the lives of Greater Manchester's residents and visitors in the months and years to come. Wider sharing of this learning will be important for similar reasons. The Review will be part of an ongoing process and any recommendations that are made will be followed up so that any lessons identified are not lost.

The Deputy Mayor added that she was very comfortable with the way the review was proceeding, in a very thorough and orderly way. She added that Lord Kerslake met with her every two to three weeks to discuss any issues that may need to be resolved and for her to receive progress on a frequent basis.

## **RESOLVED/-**

To note the report and support the progress of the Independent Review.

# PCP/17/22 PREVENTING HATEFUL EXTREMISM AND PROMOTING SOCIAL COHESION

Laura Mercer, GMCA presented a report in relation to progress that had been made to establish the Greater Manchester Tackling Hateful Extremism and Promoting Social Cohesion Commission to tackle hateful extremism and promote social cohesion, this to be led by Councillor Rishi Shori in his capacity as the Mayor's lead for social cohesion and young people.

The Panel noted the Commission's Terms of Reference had been developed with Greater Manchester partners and in dialogue with communities, to ensure that the objectives of the Commission were aligned to both existing local work programmes and community concerns, and the Commission's four distinct areas of focus -

- To consider how Prevent operates in Greater Manchester.
- To look at the broader determinants of social exclusion and how we can work collectively to address these.
- To engage in dialogue with our communities and the business sector to consider the development of a Greater Manchester Charter: a set of shared values and commitments which could be used as the foundations upon which the Greater Manchester Strategy work is built (not just principles that are called into action when something goes wrong).
- To develop a distinctive community led GM approach to challenging hateful radicalisation of all kinds and from wherever it comes.

Laura described the membership, officer resources, and added that a provisional budget of £50,000 had been provided, some of which would be allocated to resource community engagement activity. She added that it was important when carrying out the community engagement that we tap into existing community networks to avoid duplication. She added that at a recent commission meeting, GMF&RS, GMP and the ten districts had been asked to provide local community engagement plans, based on the Commission's engagement framework by 18 December, 2017.

This local engagement would complement other engagement activity that is being undertaken with other partners such as housing providers and mental health practitioners. The Panel noted that the Mayor was also keen to include public evidence sessions as well as a commitment to an online engagement tool. A letter has also been sent to all GM Chief Executive's, Leaders, MP's and Police and Crime Portfolio Leads outlining engagement activity.

Following a general discussion the following comments/ observations were made:

- It was important to give due consideration to engaging with women and young people.
- It was suggested that consideration should be given to having representation and or consultation with the Prison Service regarding their knowledge on how to combat or to approach perceptions of hateful extremism within a custodial environment.
- An overarching presentation would be provided containing approximately fifty questions that can be used to help aid discussion as well as a report template to return findings.

## **RESOLVED/-**

To note the intention for this Commission to look more broadly at what excludes people, why people feel isolated and vulnerable and how the Greater Manchester approach can help to address these issues, and that key to the success of the work will be engagement with local businesses, partners and communities and to receive an update report to a future meeting of the Panel.

## PCP/17/23 GREATER MANCHESTER POLICE AND CRIME PLAN

The Deputy Mayor introduced a report and described in detail the draft Priorities, Outcomes and Deputy Mayoral commitments for the Police and Crime Plan 2018-2020. The report also proposes to launch a period of public consultation on the draft priorities, commencing on the 6 December 2017. The Deputy Mayor added that she wished to thank Clare Monaghan, GMCA and Peter Langmead Jones, GMP for leading on this extensive process of preparing the draft plan and also wished to thank other members of the Mayor's office, GM local authorities, partner organisations and member of this panel for their contributions.

The plan aimed to bring together the Mayor's priorities as described in his manifesto, together with the results from the extensive consultation and engagement process in the districts. A GM Needs Assessment was also undertaken and GMP's Threat Assessment was also used to inform what the demands are going forward, as well as looking at other plans and strategies. Having gathered the information the underlining principle going forward, is that what is produced needed to be:- evidence based and represented the needs and views expressed by the citizens of Manchester; that there is shared ownership across the Combined Authority, GMP and partner and health and voluntary agencies/organisations; that it is grounded in the wider-public service reform agenda, with a clear focus on people and place, with children and young people being very much a key priority; that there is an outcomes framework that somehow measures progress against the priorities being set and a clear commonality between all the documents being produced.

Councillor Tariq Tamoor, Chair of the Police and Crime Panel arrived and then took office as Chair and invited comments and questions from members of the panel. He added that he would be pleased to hear how the overarching outcomes framework will be evaluated. He also added that he felt the terminology used in describing it as a Police and Crime Plan should be re-considered. The Deputy Mayor acknowledged the comment and agreed that it did not accurately describe what was seeking to be achieved and hence why it has been described as 'Standing Together'.

A general discussion ensued and the following comments/observations were made:

- Young people are critical in the consultation process and engagement in schools is a valuable way to achieve this.
- A member was pleased to see that the plan was written in a useful and helpful format and was pleased to see that it included modern slavery, safer travel and child sexual exploitation.
- Having on-line facilities to carry out community engagement is very useful but also having workshops and face-to face engagement with people, including the various faith groups across GM is equally important.
- It is pleasing to hear that consideration is being given within the plan to the outcomes for children who have a parent in prison and who may be at risk of negative behaviour from an early intervention perspective.
- Concern was expressed regarding the use of social media and the huge impact this was having on public service delivery.

The Deputy Mayor reported that the budget settlement was due to be announced next week and it was anticipated, and that at best, the expectation was that we would receive a flat cash settlement which would represent a real terms reduction in funding.

The Chief Constable said that it is important to engage with our communities and young people and to have an honest conversation around expectation and what is achievable. He added the public service reform was critical and how we collectively work together to combat and solve crime and anti-social behaviour and sign post residents to the right place for support.

## **RESOLVED**/-

1. To note the work that has been undertaken in relation to the development of the Police and Crime Plan.

2. To support the launch of the public consultation on the draft Priorities.

## PCP/17/24 BUDGET 2017/18

Jayne Stephenson, GMCA introduced a report which provided the context within which the Mayor will set the precept for 2018/19 and the medium term financial strategy, and described what a real terms 'flat cash' settlement would mean for policing going forward.

She added that the final budget precept report would be presented to the Panel in the New Year.

## **RESOLVED/-**

- 1. To note the key issues for consideration by the Mayor and Deputy Mayor when considering the 2018/19 police precept and medium term financial strategy.
- 2. To note the timetable for the setting of the 2018/19 police precept.

#### PCP/17/25 DRAFT GM POLICE AND CRIME STEERING GROUP WORK PROGRAMME

Jeanette Staley, Salford City Council & GM Police & Crime Policy Lead presented a report which detailed a draft work plan for 2017/18, which had been developed under the direction of the AGMA lead Chief Executive for Police and Crime. Jeanette reported that the focus for the development of this work plan has been to identify work streams of commonality across the 10 Local Authorities in Greater Manchester together with our strategic partners as it relates to the area of Police and Crime.

The Greater Manchester Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime was also currently developing a GM Police and Crime Plan and the priorities that came out of this would be reflected in due course, as well as those identified within the Mayor's Greater Manchester Strategy.

Jeanette added that the workstreams focused on the needs at a GM level rather than what was needed at an individual borough level. The panel noted that if approved the police and crime steering group would ensure progress of the programme areas which include key outcomes to be achieved, timescales for delivery and reporting periods back to both the leads, steering group and panel meetings.

The work programme once approved will be developed into a forward plan of meetings for the leads and steering group meetings.

Maqsood Ahmad, Independent Member welcomed the report and suggested that he would welcome further discussion outside this meeting around how himself and possibly Dianne Curry, Independent Member, may be able to offer further support going forward.

## **RESOLVED/-**

1. To approve the draft GM Police and Crime Steering Group Work Programme as presented.

#### PCP/20/26 THE FORWARD PLAN 2017/18 – STANDING ITEM

The Police and Crime Panel received the Forward Plan for the rest of the municipal year. This has been informed by regulations regarding what the Panel must receive and through conversations between the Chair and the Deputy Mayor about what they would like to receive. The forward plan was a working document with all suggested items considered for inclusion.

#### **RESOLVED/-**

- 1. To note the forward plan for 2017/18;
- 2. To send any additional items to Jeanette Staley, GM Police and Crime Policy Lead and Steve Annette, GMCA for inclusion in the Forward Plan.