

## **TAYSIDE JOINT POLICE BOARD**

MINUTE of MEETING of the **TAYSIDE JOINT POLICE BOARD** held in the Council Chambers, Perth on Monday 11 June 2007 at 9.30 am.

**Present:** Councillors MOHAMMED ASIF, JAMES BARRIE, FRANK ELLIS, TOM FERGUSON (substitute for Councillor HELEN DICK, KENNETH LYALL, IAN MACKINTOSH, ARCHIE MacLELLAN, PETER MULHERON, ROBERT MYLES, GEORGE REGAN, CHRISTINA ROBERTS, DAVID SCOTT, LEWIS SIMPSON, ALEXANDER STEWART, RODERICK WALLACE, SANDY WEST, JOHN WHYTE and HELEN WRIGHT.

**Apology:** An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Councillor HELEN DICK.

Councillor MACKINTOSH, Convener, in the Chair.

### **1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest made.

### **2. MEMBERSHIP OF THE BOARD**

There was submitted and noted a list of the members who had been appointed to serve on the Board, in accordance with the terms of paragraph 4 of the Tayside Combined Police Area Amalgamation Scheme 1995, as detailed below:-

#### **Angus Council**

##### **Appointed Members**

Councillor Frank Ellis  
Councillor Ian Mackintosh  
Councillor Robert Myles  
Councillor John Whyte  
Councillor Sandy West

#### **Dundee City Council**

##### **Appointed Members**

Councillor Mohammed Asif  
Councillor James Barrie  
Councillor Helen Dick  
Councillor George Regan  
Councillor Christina Roberts  
Councillor Roderick Wallace  
Councillor Helen Wright

#### **Perth and Kinross**

##### **Appointed Members**

Councillor Ken Lyall  
Archie MacLellan  
Peter Mulheron  
David Scott  
Lewis Simpson  
Alexander Stewart

### **3. APPOINTMENT OF CONVENER AND VICE-CONVENERS**

- (a) The Board, having noted the arrangements for the appointment of a Convener in terms of paragraph 7(1)(a) of the Amalgamation Scheme, proceeded to make an appointment.

Councillor Stewart, seconded by Councillor Myles, moved that Councillor Ian Mackintosh be appointed Convener.

The Board agreed to appoint Councillor Ian Mackintosh as Convener and he thereupon took the chair.

- (b) The Board, having noted the arrangements for the appointment of Vice Conveners in terms of paragraph 7(1)(b) of the Amalgamation Scheme, proceeded to make an appointment.

The Board agreed to unanimously appoint Councillor Archie McLellan of Perth and Kinross Council as a Vice Convener.

With regard to the appointment of a Vice Convener from Dundee City Council, the following was agreed:-

COUNCILLOR WRIGHT, SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR FERGUSON, MOVED THAT COUNCILLOR REGAN BE APPOINTED VICE CONVENER FOR DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL.

Councillor Ellis, seconded by Councillor Barrie, moved as an amendment that Councillor Roberts be appointed Vice Convener for Dundee City Council.

On a vote being taken, the members voted:-

For the motion:-

Councillors Asif, Ferguson, MacLellan, Myles, Regan, Simpson, Wallace, Whyte and Wright (9).

For the amendment:-

Councillors Barrie, Ellis, Lyall, Mulheron, Roberts, Scott, Stewart and West (8).

No vote - Councillor Mackintosh.

The motion was declared carried, resulting in Councillor Regan being appointed Vice Convener of Tayside Joint Police Board.

#### **4. REMUNERATION OF CONVENER AND VICE-CONVENERS OF THE TAYSIDE JOINT POLICE BOARD**

There was submitted Report No PB30/07 by the Treasurer advising members of the arrangements to be made for remuneration of the Convener and Vice Convener of Tayside Joint Police Board and recommended a continuation of the existing arrangements for payment of allowances and expenses in respect of Joint Board duties.

The Report indicated that the Local Government (Scotland) Act 2004 (Remuneration) Regulations 2007 set out the new remuneration arrangements for Councillors elected at the 3 May 2007 local government election.

The new system replaced the previous system of basic and special responsibility allowances and the regulations made specific arrangements in respect of the Convener and Vice Conveners of Joint Boards.

The Board agreed:-

- (i) to note the remuneration arrangements for the Convener and Vice Conveners as set out in the Report; and
- (ii) to approve that allowances and expenses claimable by Board members under the new Regulations in respect of duties undertaken in that capacity should continue to be met by the Council to which that Board member belonged.

## 5. APPOINTMENT OF CLERK AND TREASURER

The Board agreed that, in accordance with the terms of paragraph 8(1) of the Amalgamation Scheme, the following Angus Council officers be appointed as officers of the Board:-

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| • Clerk           | Mrs Sheona C Hunter |
| • Depute Clerk    | Mr C M Hood;        |
| • Assistant Clerk | Mrs Elaine Whittet; |
| • Treasurer       | Mr I Lorimer.       |

## 6. APPOINTMENTS

### (a) National Negotiating Body for Police Staff (Scotland)

The Board agreed that the Convener be appointed to the Official Side of the National Negotiating Body for Police Staff (Scotland).

### (b) Official Side of the Police Negotiating Board

The Board agreed that the Convener be appointed to the official side of the Police Negotiating Board.

## 7. PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS

The Board noted the programme of meetings scheduled for 2007.

## 8. APPOINTMENT OF SUB-COMMITTEES

In terms of paragraph 10 of the Amalgamation Scheme and Standing Order 39, the Board had power to appoint such Sub-Committees as it considered necessary. The previous Board had appointed four Standing Sub Committees namely:

Audit	(6 members - Convener, Vice-Conveners, 1 from Angus, 1 from Dundee and 1 from Perth and Kinross)
Complaints	(Convener, Vice-Conveners and 3 members from the other 15 members on a rotational basis)
Finance	(7 members – Convener, Vice-Conveners, 1 from Angus, 2 from Dundee, 1 from Perth and Kinross)
Personnel	(7 members - Convener, Vice-Conveners, 2 from Dundee, 1 from Angus, 1 from Perth and Kinross)

The Board agreed:

- (i) that the Conveners and Vice Conveners be appointed as members of each Sub Committee;
- (ii) that names of the other members, from each of the constituent council's, be submitted to the Clerk in early course; and
- (iii) that the other three members of the Complaints Sub Committee be appointed on a rotational basis, as in previous years.

## 9. MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minute of meeting of the Board of 23 April 2007 was submitted, approved as a correct record and signed by the Convener.

## **10. TAYSIDE JOINT POLICE BOARD - NEW MEMBERS' INFORMATION SESSION**

There was submitted and noted Report No PB29/07 by the Chief Constable advising members of a proposed information session for members of the Board, which had been arranged for 19 June 2007 at the Lecture Theatre, Tayside Police Training Centre, Balunie Drive, Baluniefield, Dundee.

## **11. NATIONAL TRAINING EVENT FOR POLICE AUTHORITY MEMBERS**

There was submitted Report No PB31/07 by the Clerk advising members that a national training event for police authority members had been arranged by the Scottish Police Authorities Conveners' Forum on Wednesday 27 June 2007 at Glasgow City Council.

The Report indicated that the event was an entirely new concept which would allow members of newly constituted police authorities the opportunity to gain a strategic perspective of the "new" role which they had undertaken and a wider understanding of the different factors and pressures affecting the current policing arena within Scotland.

The Board agreed:-

- (i) to note the proposed itinerary for the above event; and
- (b) to approve the attendance of all members of the Board at the national training event in Glasgow on 27 June 2007 at 10.00 am.

## **12. INDEPENDENT CUSTODY VISITING SCHEME**

With reference to Article 7 of the minute of meeting of the Board of 8 May 2006, there was submitted Report No PB32/07 by the Clerk which updated members on the progress of the Independent Custody Visiting Scheme, which was administered by the Assistant Clerk.

It was reported that, during the previous 12 months, Custody Visitors had not identified any major concerns regarding the care of detainees or contravention of their rights. Visitors had attended the Scottish Annual Conference which had been held in Fife and the National Conference in Cambridge.

The Board agreed:-

- (i) to note the success of the fourth year of the Independent Custody Visiting Scheme in Tayside;
- (ii) to approve the attendance of the ICVA Annual Conference in Alton Towers on 17 November 2007 of one Visitor from each of the appointed areas, one member of Tayside Joint Police Board, and the Assistant Clerk; and
- (iii) to authorise the attendance of the Assistant Clerk at the Scheme Administrators' Conference in Manchester on 21 and 22 June 2007.

## **13. KINLOCH RANNOCH POLICE STATION RELOCATION**

There was submitted Report No PB34/07 by the Chief Constable which advised members that agreement had been reached, in principle, with Tayside Fire and Rescue to share facilities at Kinloch Rannoch Fire Station.

The Report indicated that the officer currently assigned to the Kinloch Rannoch area reported to Aberfeldy for briefing purposes. The beat covered took in Kinloch Rannoch and, when in the area, the officer worked out of the existing Police Station and used the facilities for report writing. The Report indicated that an opportunity existed to share the facilities at Kinloch Rannoch Fire Station and discussions had taken place with representatives from Tayside Fire and Rescue on the terms of a User Agreement. Agreement had now been reached and, subject to ratification by the respective Boards, the shared arrangements would be in place by July 2007.

After welcoming the Report, the Board agreed:-

- (i) to note the intention to enter into agreement with Tayside Fire and Rescue to share the use of facilities at Kinloch Rannoch;
- (ii) to declare the existing Police Station house at Kinloch Rannoch surplus to operational requirements;
- (iii) in accordance with Financial Regulation 15.1, to approve the sale of the Police Station and house at Kinloch Rannoch on the open market; and
- (iv) to delegate to the Chief Constable, in conjunction with the Treasurer and Clerk to the Board, to obtain a professional valuation for the property and agree the terms of sale.

**14. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS**

The Board resolved that the public and press be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item of business in order to avoid disclosure of information which was exempt in terms of Paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 7(A) to the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.

**15. DEPLOYMENT OF PERSONNEL TO G8 HEILIGENDAM**

There was submitted Report No PB33/07 by the Clerk which advised members of a decision taken to deploy four officers to Heiligendam, Germany

The Board homologated the decision taken by the Clerk to authorise four police officers to be deployed to support German colleagues policing their response to G8 2007.