

TAYSIDE JOINT POLICE BOARD

MINUTE of MEETING of the **COMPLAINTS SUB-COMMITTEE** held in Conference Room 1, Police Headquarters, Dundee on Monday 5 September 2005 at 10.30 am.

Present: Councillor COLIN YOUNG, Depute Lord Provost CHARLES FARQUHAR OBE, Councillors RON SCRIMGEOUR, JAMES BARRIE and STEWART McGLYNN.

Apology: An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Councillor ALEXANDER STEWART.

Councillor COLIN YOUNG, Convener, in the Chair.

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made.

2. MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The [minute of meeting of the Complaints Sub-Committee of 23 May 2005](#), which had been submitted to the Board on 27 June 2005, was approved as a correct record and signed by the Convener.

3. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

The Sub-Committee resolved that the public and press be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items 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.

4. PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS UPDATE

(i) Complaints Against the Police - Statistics 1 August to 31 October 2005

There was submitted Report No PB80/05 by the Chief Constable showing the number of complaints made against the police from 1 August to 31 October 2005, and how they had been disposed of, together with figures for a similar period in the previous year. After hearing Deputy Chief Constable I Gordon in amplification, the Sub Committee noted the terms of the report.

(ii) Closed Complaint Cases

There was submitted and considered a document giving details of closed complaint cases.

The Sub-Committee requested copies of five case files and following consideration agreed that it was satisfied with all aspects of the complaints procedure.

(iii) Letters of Appreciation

There was submitted and noted a file containing letters of appreciation which had been sent to Tayside Police during the period under consideration.

5. COMPLAINTS AGAINST THE POLICE

There was submitted Report No 81/05 by the Clerk which advised the Sub-Committee of two complaints referred to HMCIC.

The Sub-Committee agreed to note the terms of the report.

VALADICTORY

The Sub-Committee joined with the Convener in thanking Deputy Chief Constable Mr Ian Gordon, for the significant contribution and distinguished role he had played in Police matters locally and nationally, and wished him every success in his retirement.