

HUMBERSIDE POLICE AUTHORITY
PROTECTIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE

18 NOVEMBER 2008

<u>PRESENT:-</u>	Ms Branton MBE in the Chair
Elected Members:-	Councillors De Freitas and Hull
Independent Members:-	Mr Smith JP
Officers: -	Mr P Wainwright, Performance and Resources Manager, Mr A Leaver, Assistant Chief Constable (OS), Chief Superintendent I Furlong, Corporate Development Branch, Chief Superintendent R Kerman and Detective Chief Inspector A Barnes, Crime Management Branch, Mrs S Collins, Protective Services Project Manager and A Taylor, N Adamson and B Craven, Programme Management Unit.

The Authority met at Pacific Exchange, Kingston upon Hull.

- 26 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST/OFFERS OF GIFTS OR HOSPITALITY** – The Chair reminded Members of the need to record any personal or prejudicial interest in items on the agenda and to disclose any relevant receipt or offering of gifts or hospitality.
- No interests were declared or disclosures made.
- 27 **APOLOGIES** – Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillor Brookes, Councillor Jawaid MBE and Mr Palmerley JP.
- 28 **MINUTES** – **Resolved** – That the minutes of the meeting held on 9 September 2008, having been printed and circulated amongst Members, be taken as read and correctly recorded and be signed by the Chair.
- 29 **UPDATE ON THE MINUTES** – The Chair referred to minute 20 regarding a dvd on national security that had been shown to the Committee and queried whether an unclassified version was available for communities. It was reported that a less detailed version may be developed.
- Resolved** – That the updates be noted.
- 30 (12) **ACTION SCHEDULE** – Members received a rolling schedule of actions arising from previous meetings of the Committee.

The Performance and Resources Manager commented on minute 7 and

advised that the Chair continued to meet with Superintendent Wilkie of the Regional Team every 3 months. The next meeting was due to be held in December and feedback would be provided to JPAC.

Referring to minute 10 he advised that the Policing Protocol was still awaited.

He referred also to minute 22 regarding Prevent Policing and advised that he had regular meetings with Superintendent Walker. An HMIC Inspection in relation to Prevent was to take place on 3/4 February 2009. Guidance and an action plan outlining the role of Police Authorities in Prevent had recently been received. He informed that the APA Prevent Strategy was still outstanding, as was the performance assessment guidance which was to cover how Police Authorities should support forces on the Counter Terrorism agenda generally.

Resolved – That the action schedule and updates be noted.

- 31** **(13) FINANCIAL UPDATE – PERIOD 1-5 2008/2009** – The Chief Constable submitted a report in accordance with minute 9 that outlined the current and projected spend against the £750k funding set aside to deliver Protective Services.

The Chair commented that it needed to be made clear that the £750k budget was not just for Protective Services but for the delivery of the regional agenda.

Members referred to the cost, allocated to Humberside, of the regional accommodation and queried whether this was included in the figures shown. The Protective Services Project Manager advised that the costs for the current year were included under the Regional Intelligence heading. These costs were expected to increase over the next 3 years.

Members discussed Home Office contributions to regional projects and the overall cost of the regional agenda to the 4 individual authorities involved.

Resolved – That the report be noted.

- 32** **(14) HOME SECRETARY'S STRATEGIC POLICING PRIORITIES 2009-10** – The Chief Executive submitted a report that informed of the draft Strategic Policing Priorities 2009-10 set by the Home Office and discussed, in particular, the priorities of relevance to this Committee.

The Chair referred to the need for the Prevent Strategy to be written into the Local Area Agreements through the Local Strategic Partnerships and commented that Police Authority Members who sat on LSPs needed to ensure that this was included.

The Corporate Development Branch Manager advised that the Force were broadly supportive of the priorities as it was felt that they were strategic and provided a good basis on which to deliver to communities. Some concerns had been expressed regarding the lack of a specific mention of "Prevent" and

the inclusion of “significant cashable improvements” in relation to the use of resources.

Resolved – (a) That the report be noted, and (b) that the implications of the final SPPs be taken into account at the Priorities Workshop in January 2009.

33 **EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC** – **Resolved** - That in accordance with the provisions of Section 100 (A) (4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the public (including the press) be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business, minutes 34 to 37, on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 7 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

34 **(15) COUNTER TERRORISM ASSESSMENT OF POLICING COMMUNITY SAFETY (APACS) DATA SUBMISSIONS** – The Chief Constable submitted a report that gave an update regarding measurement of Counter Terrorism work streams within the APACS framework.

DCI Barnes advised that this was the first time that performance measures had been identified in this area. He commented on each of the areas of measurement in turn and advised (i) that The Rich Picture would be graded on a scale of poor to excellent and would be measured by self assessment and then regionally against other Forces - a “good” grading had been received for the last quarter in this area; (ii) regional tasking was received every 6 weeks, 80% had to be returned to a satisfactory standard which should be achievable; (iii) in relation to the disruption of terrorist networks it had been decided regionally, as it was difficult to define disruption, that only those disruptions that resulted in arrests under the Terrorism Act would be counted; (iv) reducing the vulnerability of crowded places would be an annual return and it was up to Forces to determine crowded places in their areas and to grade them and look at how the Force and partners could mitigate risks - the Force had developed a matrix and other Forces had been asked to utilise this model, and (v) in relation to reducing the vulnerability of hazardous sites an annual return was expected which would demonstrate that sites had been identified and assessed. He referred to the inclusion of an indicator for building resilience to violent extremism and advised that this was a return that needed to be made by Local Strategic Partnerships.

The Chair reiterated the need to ensure that Local Authorities were aware of their responsibility to collect data in relation to building resilience to violent extremism. She commented on the work of the officers involved in developing the matrix for identifying and assessing crowded places and congratulated them on their work and the national recognition they had received.

Members discussed the number of hazardous sites in the region and it was requested that they be kept informed of any issues.

Resolved – That the report be noted.

35 **(16) COUNTER TERRORISM PREVENT UPDATE** – The Chief Constable

submitted a report that gave an update on the ongoing Prevent work.

The Assistant Chief Constable (OS) highlighted that National Indicator 35 (building resilience to violent extremism) did not currently appear in Local Area Agreements, as had previously been mentioned, and the Chair reiterated the need for Members who sat on LSPs to pick up this issue.

Reference was made to monthly meetings that would be chaired by the Divisional Commanders in relation to Prevent and the Chair queried whether the Members from the associated local authority could become involved. The Assistant Chief Officer (OS) advised that he would pass this onto the Assistant Chief Constable (O) as he was leading on Prevent.

The Performance and Resources Manager advised that a meeting with Local Authority Chief Executives was to be held to discuss National Indicator 35. He further advised that a Prevent Implementation Plan had recently been received which outlined roles. The Corporate Development Branch Manager advised that Local Authority guidance had also been published.

The Performance and Resources Manager commented on 2 national Prevent operations that were currently being run.

The Performance and Resources Manager advised that he would circulate copies of the HMIC letter that was referred to at paragraph 12 of the report.

Resolved – That the report be noted.

- 36 **(17) REPORT OF THE HMIC INSPECTION OF SERIOUS AND ORGANISED CRIME** – The Chief Constable submitted a report that updated Members on the recent inspection of Humberside Police by HMIC in relation to serious and organised crime.

Resolved – That the report be noted.

- 37 **(18) HIGHLIGHT REPORT** – The Chief Constable submitted a report that provided an update on the progress being made by both the Protective Services Project Board and the Joint Regional Programme.

The Protective Services Project Manager introduced the report and answered questions relating to (i) a visit to the East Midlands Collaboration Programme; (ii) Operation Impact, and (iii) Risk Management Officers.

Resolved – That the report be noted.

WORKSHOP - At the conclusion of the meeting a workshop was held during which Members discussed the progress that had been made in the area of protective services together with the possibility of increasing the remit of the Protective Services Committee to consider collaborative issues.