

Chief Officer Group

Monday 8th December 2008

Minutes

OPEN

Present:

Craig Mackey	Chief Constable
Christine Twigg	Deputy Chief Constable
Graham Sunderland	Assistant Chief Constable (Crime)
Andy Davidson	T/Assistant Chief Constable (Territorial Policing)
Mike Thompson	Director of Finance and Resources
Joanna Bancroft	Director of Personnel and Development
Gill Shearer	Head of Marketing and Communications
Kevin Greenhow	Acting Chief Inspector – Media & Marketing
Hollie Mark	Minute Taker

****Chief Constable Mackey welcomed Chief Inspector Greenhow to the meeting****

1 Apologies for absence

None

2 Minutes of meeting of 24th November 2008

Minutes approved.

3 Declaration of any other business

None

4 Action updates

Action Number 70 – Mike Thompson updated COG and this matter was discussed further in the Closed section.

Action Number 76 (Taser) – Proposals for further roll out will be reported to the Police Authority in January.

Action owner(s)

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(No action number allocated) Joanna Bancroft updated COG that she had looked into the rationale behind Merseyside's decision to award bonuses to staff who were rostered to work New Years Eve but not rostered for the paid Rest Day on New Years Day.

It was the general consensus of COG that Cumbria would not take this approach.

5 Minutes to note

The minutes were noted by COG with particular reference being made to the following;

Resourcing & Standards Board – Deputy Chief Constable Twigg informed COG that although the Police Authority Paper implied an under spend of £400,000.00 the reality would be that the target would be reached.

The Vetting and Barring Scheme and the implications associated with it were discussed and it was decided that this situation would need to be monitored.

6 Standing Items

a) COG diary commitments and command cover

It was noted that if a Chief Officer was rostered to do Gold Cover than they would also cover Chief Officer on call.

b) Press issues

Gill Shearer gave an update on local and national press stories;

- Nationally the press has been dominated by the MET/ Damian Green story.
- The Baby P case has led to questions on the services involved.
- The Shannon Matthews case has led to discussions around Public Protection Units and the proportion of blame.

Local;

- Cumbria County Council will meet on the 9th December, the precept will be discussed.
- The Robert Wilson case has now concluded with a

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- good result for the Constabulary.
- The 'Scars for life' drink drive campaign has been launched.

Agenda Items – NO AGENDA ITEMS

Any other business

None

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Date of next meeting

10am - Monday 22nd December 2008

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