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POLICE COMMITTEE

HELD AT THE SECRETARIAT AT 1400 ON 19 OCTOBER 2016

These minutes are draft minutes until confirmed by resolution at the next meeting of this Committee

Present: His Excellency the Governor, Chair
Barry Rowland, Chief Executive
Peter Judge, Attorney General
Superintendent Len McGill, Chief Police Officer
MLA M V Summers OBE
MLA Mrs J L Cheek
Anton Livermore JP
Derek Clarke JP

Minutes: Una Wallace, Secretary to the Committee

Part I

Action

1. Apologies for Absence

1.1 Apologies for absence were received from MLA Barry Elsby.

2. Declaration of Interest

2.1 There were no declarations of interest.

3. Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting held on 20 July 2016

3.1 The minutes were confirmed as a correct record.

4. Matters Arising from the Open Minutes of the Meeting held on 20 July 2016

4.1 There were no matters arising.

5. Report of the Chief Police Officer – Report Covering Quarter 1 of 2016/17

5.1 The Chief Police Officer introduced his report which covered the period 1 July to 30 September 2016. He highlighted that the table depicting the Service Level Objectives had been amended to differentiate between serious and petty crime as requested at the previous meeting. The Attorney General clarified that SLO8 now referred to indictment only offences.

5.2 With regard to staffing levels, the Chief Police Officer reported that a total of 19 overseas applications had been received for the vacant Police Constable positions and he was therefore hopeful that appointments would be made.

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5.3 MLA Cheek expressed her concern that no progress had been made on the introduction of taxi driver permits. The Chief Police Officer explained that some work had initially been undertaken but he was awaiting guidance from the Law & Regulation Directorate. The Attorney General advised that he was unaware of the cause for the delay and agreed to look into it. AG

5.4 MLA Summers asked what could be done to progress the implementation of Fixed Penalty Notices as he understood paperwork and database information from the RFIP were awaited. The Chief Police Officer explained that current staff resources did not allow for this work to be carried out. He confirmed that the work did not need to be undertaken by a police officer, however their bid for a position of Policy Officer had not been approved during the budget deliberations. MLA Summers questioned whether the Courts Administrator could offer assistance and the Attorney General explained that the Courts were resisting becoming involved as they would be collecting penalties which they could impose. The Chief Executive suggested that those concerned could meet to discuss ways to provide the assistance which the RFIP required. CPO

5.5 MLA Summers noted that he had a meeting in his diary with the Head of Legal Services to discuss the progression of the Road Traffic Bill. The Chief Police Officer expressed his hope that the Bill would be enacted in its entirety rather than fragmented.

6. **Confirmation of Date of Next Meeting**

6.1 The next meeting of the Police Committee is scheduled to take place at 1400 on Thursday 26 January in the Liberation Room.

7. **Exclusion of Press and Public**

7.1 The Committee resolved to exclude the press and public on the grounds that the next items of business to be considered were exempt within the terms of paragraph 7 of Schedule 3 of the Committees (Public Access) Ordinance 2012 relating to information about individuals.

Part II

8. **Confirmation of the Exempt Minutes of the Meeting held on 20 July 2016**
(Not for publication by virtue of paragraph 7 of Schedule 3 of the Committees (Public Access) Ordinance 2012, relating to information about individuals)

8.1 The minutes of the meeting were approved with one amendment.

9. **Report of the Chief Police Officer – Exempt Report Covering Quarter 1 of 2016/17**

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9.1 The Committee discussed the report of the Chief Police Officer.