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### Police Committee Meeting

Held at the Liberation Room, Stanley

At 1500 Hrs on 18<sup>th</sup> April 2019

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

**Present:** Nigel Phillips CBE, His Excellency The Governor, Chair (HE)  
Superintendent Jeff McMahon, Chief Police Officer (CPO)  
Simon Young, Attorney General (AG)  
MLA Teslyn Barkman (TB)  
Anton Livermore, Lay Member (AL)

**Other:** Alex Douglas, Police Sergeant  
Jason Lewis, FIRS

**Minutes:** Cress Thomas, PA to Chief of Police

(Action)

	<b>Part I</b>	
1.0	<b>Apologies for Absence</b>	
1.1	Apologies for absence were received from Barry Rowland (Chief Executive), Derek Clarke (Lay Member) and MLA Leona Roberts.	
2.0	<b>Declaration of Interest</b>	
2.1	There were no declarations of interest.	
3.0	<b>Confirmation of the Open Minutes of Meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> February 2019</b>	
3.1	The minutes of the meeting were accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting.	
4.0	<b>Matters Arising from the Open Minutes of Meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> February 2019</b>	
4.1	There were no matters arising from the open minutes of meeting held on 1 <sup>st</sup> February 2019.	
5.0	<b>Report of the Chief of Police (3rd Quarter 2018/19)</b>	
5.1	The CPO introduced his report which covered the period of 1 <sup>st</sup> January to 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2019 (3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter of 2018/19 Financial Year) which has circulated to all members of the Committee.	
5.2	The CPO stated that, as previously mentioned, the Globe pub has been subject to increased police activity over the last few months. The Globe is due to renew their licence in May 2019 and RFIP will not be objecting to this renewal. However, CPO said that RFIP will continue to monitor the Globe and this will be part of regular tasking to officers, especially on weekends.	
5.3	The CPO stated that the recent Argentine Families visit at the Argentine Cemetery went well. However, 8 argentinians were arrested on suspicion of public order offences that occurred at the cemetery, sometime after that visit. Each individual was interviewed and a file was sent to the AG (Attorney General) which was returned with a decision of 'No charge'.	
5.4	The CPO stated that RFIP assisted FISHOPS following a death on the Jigger Hsiang Ching and took statements following deaths from the French Yacht Paradise. The CPO also said that he	

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	assisted at Silver Command when the Jigger Jun Rong caught fire.	
5.5	The CPO stated that 1 Argentine was arrested at the airport while trying to leave the country in possession of a live round of ammunition in his baggage. The individual was convicted, charged and fined.	
5.6	The CPO stated that 2 individuals (from Norway) were arrested following disorder at the airport and in Stanley during crew change over. Both individuals were remanded in custody during the investigation. A file was submitted to the AG and both individuals were eventually charged and convicted.	
5.7	The CPO stated that a bid has been made to support the purchase of a new Command and Control System, the OTRICS-CIM (Overseas Territories Regional Criminal Intelligence System – Crime & Intelligence Manager) is an operational intelligence software application allowing powerful data storage, search, retrieval and analysis of data input to assist in the development and dissemination of intelligence. The system is also set to assist Customs & Immigration with tracking people and cargo movements in and out of the territory.	
5.8	The CPO stated increased community policing continues be one of the priorities of RFIP. PC Thacker and PC Dalton are working closely with FICS and IJS. 2 students were welcomed on work experience and this was noted to have turned out very well. A presentation at the Chamber of Commerce for parents regarding internet safety was also held. The CPO also said that officers took part in the school and sports event at Goose Green; the Stanley Marathon went very smoothly with no major issues being noted from the event. The CPO also said that DC Kevin Loftus will be representing RFIP at the World Police China Games in August 2019.	
5.9	The CPO stated that 2 professionals visited the Islands to conduct an internal inspection of RFIP. They have carried out interviews with various officers and staff; not only at RFIP but also with AG and HR (Human Resources). The report is now complete and has been sent to the Chief Executive, His Excellency The Governor and the DESIS for consideration. An EXCO paper will be written in due course.	
5.10	The CPO stated that in terms of RFIP budget – everything is on track although virements will have to be done to cover short falls on some budget lines. The CPO confirmed that this can and will be addressed within the current RFIP budget.	
5.11	The CPO stated that recruitment for 4 Police Constable roles are ongoing as well as the MASH officer. TB asked if the MASH officer post was advertised locally to which the CPO confirmed it was, however, there was no applicants hence it was advertised internationally. 1 local PC has been appointed and is due to commence employment with RFIP in April 2019 – Katie Chapman. The CPO also said that during this period DS Barney Allcock submitted his resignation and he is due to finish in early June, PC Graham Fairweather is also due to complete his contract in June and PC Pete McPhee has now left the Islands. HE acknowledged the fact that this time last year there was 0 local officers whilst the department now has 6	
5.12	The CPO stated that in terms of training and development – Sergeant Smith has commenced firearms training with 2 officers (PC Dalton and PS Douglas). The CPO also said that PS Douglas has provided training to new locally recruited officers and that University of Portsmouth confirmed they can undertake an accreditation exercise to validate RFIP’s student officer training.	
	The CPO stated that sickness is minimal and that there are no major concerns on this. The CPO also said that 6 letters of appreciation and 2 complaints were received by RFIP during this quarter.	
	The CPO stated that the DESIS has asked RFIP to police all LATAM flights as well as the upcoming 2 <sup>nd</sup> flight. The CPO met with Falkland Islands Security Services to ensure that all officers/staff involved with these operations understands the current legislation. Policy will be	

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	updated in due course	
	The CPO stated that he had spoken to MLA Leona Roberts regarding the ongoing situation of PSV licences. She wanted to discuss the matter further with other members of the Legislative Assembly. It is noted that the EXCO paper is ready for submission but this is being held back due to pending consultation.	
6.0	<b>2018/19 3rd Quarter Crimes</b>	
6.1	The CPO stated that current detection rate is at 64%. It was noted that last year's detection rate was not achieved due to a lot of hard to detect crimes such as theft and criminal damage. The detection rate should increase although it is likely that it would still be off target.	
7.0	<b>Domestic Abuse Project – Update</b>	
7.1	The CPO stated that the Domestic Abuse Committee met again and agreed to have a re-launch of the campaign now that the new legislation relating to controlling and coercive behaviour is in force. It was suggested that the campaign will focus on perpetrators this time as most seems to not be aware that they are domestically abusing someone; for some it is their normal behaviour; the trigger points could be highlighted in time for Liberation Day. It was noted that during the launch of the campaign the posters were focussed on survivors. Rhian Burgess and PS Alex Douglas are leading on this project.	
8.0	<b>Date of Next Meeting</b>	
8.1	As JM will be out of the Islands from end of May to early July, the Committee agreed that the next meeting to discuss 4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter of 2018/19 Financial Year will be held in the middle of July 2019.	
9.0	<b>Exclusion of Press and Public</b>	
9.1	HE asked JL (FIRS) for any comments to which he stated that having looked at the stats, patrol hours specifically seems rather low. JL said that during January 2019 there was only 9.5 hours foot patrol although he felt that RFIP have done more than this due to the busy tourist season. The CPO stated that there is a lot of reasons behind this mainly being the resources availability not only of the officers but also the vehicles as there was increased number of enquiries in camp and/or MPC. The CPO assured JL and the committee that this will be looked into.	
9.2	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.	
	<b>Part II</b>	
10.0	<b>Confirmation of the Exempt Minutes of Meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> February 2019</b> <i>(Not for publication by virtue of paragraph 7 of Schedule 3 of the Committees (Public Access) Ordinance 2012, relating to information about individuals)</i>	
10.1	The committee discussed the Exempt minutes of meeting held on 1 <sup>st</sup> February 2019.	
11.0	<b>2018/19 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Report</b> <i>(Not for publication by virtue of paragraph 7 of Schedule 3 of the Committees (Public Access) Ordinance 2012, relating to information about individuals)</i>	
11.1	The committee discussed the 2018/19 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter Report.	
12.0	<b>Strategic Threat and Risk Assessment</b>	

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12.1	The Committee discussed the strategic threat and risk assessment document.	

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