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EAST MIDLANDS POLICE AUTHORITIES JOINT COMMITTEE

Minutes of a Meeting of the Joint Committee held at the Conference Room,
Units 5-8 Stephenson's Court, Newark on 4th November 2008

Members present:

John Clarke	Nottinghamshire Police Authority
Alan Street	Nottinghamshire Police Authority
Barry Young	Lincolnshire Police Authority
Deirdre Newham	Northamptonshire Police Authority
Barrie Roper	Leicestershire Police Authority
Paul Hyde	Leicestershire Police Authority
Trevor Southerd	Derbyshire Police Authority
Carole Brister	Derbyshire Police Authority

Also in Attendance:

Simon Hobbs	Chief Executive of the Nottinghamshire Police Authority
Matt Baggott	Chief Constable Leicestershire
Robert Swinfield	Chief Executive of the Leicestershire Police Authority

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Rosemary Yule	Treasurer Northamptonshire Police Authority
Debbie Roe	Chief Executive of the Northamptonshire Police Authority
Deborah McGovern	Chief Executive of the Lincolnshire Police Authority
Richard Crompton	Chief Constable Lincolnshire Police
Julie Flint	Treasurer Lincolnshire Police Authority
Mick Creedon	Chief Constable Derbyshire
Helen Boffy	Derbyshire Police Authority
Terry Neaves	Director of Finance, Derbyshire Police Authority
Andy Ford	CPT Regional programme director
Kate Flannery	HMIC
Julia Hodson	Chief Constable, Nottinghamshire
Peter Maddison	Chief Constable Northamptonshire

Members of the Collaboration team were also present.

Election of Vice Chair

Byron Rhodes was proposed and seconded as the Vice Chair and Angela Crowe was proposed and seconded as the Vice Chair of the Joint Committee.

It was **resolved** that;

Byron Rhodes be appointed as Vice Chair of EMPAJC until the next annual meeting
Deirdre Newham be appointed as Chair of the meeting.

Apologies:

Cllr B Rhodes (Leicestershire)
Mrs J Birkin (Derbyshire)
Mr R Must (Lincolnshire)
Mr S Bate (Derbyshire)
Ms H Boffey (Derbyshire)

Items of urgent business

There were no items of urgent business

Declarations of interest

There were no declarations by members of any Code of Conduct interests in respect of items on the Agenda

Minutes of the last meeting of the Joint Committee held on the 30th June 2008

The minutes were approved.

17/08

Collaboration Plan 2009-11

The Programme Director referred to the achievements of collaboration to date both in terms of the protective services and productivity. He referred to the importance of the enablers in moving forward collaboration more easily. The programme of work must be timely and relevant and projects needed to be identified on the basis of threat, risk and harm.

There was need for a balanced portfolio of strategic and operational work. Core projects required a high degree of oversight by the Collaboration team. Other projects would be delivered by service heads of forces and required facilitation and support from the collaboration team. The proposed move to a 45-day resolution process was described.

The Programme Director suggested that a productivity target might be appropriate.

The Collaboration Plan would be the subject of consultation with stakeholders and then would be further considered at the Joint Committee meeting in February. There did not appear to be any need for a Collaboration Board meeting in January and it was suggested that this be cancelled.

In discussion the following points were raised;

There was a substantial investment being made in collaboration and a clear statement of the benefits achieved to date was essential

There was a need to increase accountability and clarification as to the financial role in relation to EMSOU and CTIU and to link the collaboration work with public confidence as well as risk mitigation.

The Plan should be as clear as possible as to intended outcomes and to take account of the strategic priorities of the Government.

There would be further discussions between police authority representatives and the team in relation to the accountability and performance management issues.

The Committee **resolved** to;

- (1) Agree to cancel the Board meeting scheduled for January
- (2) A further report is made to the Joint Committee in relation to the development of the Collaboration Plan.

17/08

Project progress Update; general

There were no major slippages in the programme

The Committee **resolved** to;

Note the report

18/08

Projects Progress Update; mobile data project

The target number of devices had been achieved and there was an evidential base to show completion of much of the project.

There was a discussion as to the benefits that the project could demonstrate it has achieved. The view was expressed that in some case the benefits could be 'felt' rather than fully evidenced at this stage. Nonetheless the outcomes, benefits and lessons to be learnt were required to be fed back to NPIA and would also be reported to the Committee.

The Committee resolved to

Note the report on progress

19/08

Regional finance report

The report contained the latest outturn figure for 2008/9. and the risk adjusted budget gap over the next three years i.e. what would be needed to deliver the outcomes that identified currently.

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The memorandum from the Finance Director of Leicestershire Constabulary to the EMSOU project board (dated the 15th October 2008) was also considered at this point.

The following points were covered in discussions; the inflation assumption of 2.5%, the prospects of the floors and ceiling issues being addressed, EMSOU resources and the role and meaning of reserves, the need not to inhibit EMSOU in carrying out dynamic operations.

In relation to the EMSOU recommendation it was agreed that a short adjournment be held to allow the recommendations to be reviewed.

Following an adjournment the following recommendations were approved

The committee resolved to:

Note the report

In relation to EMSOU the following recommendations were agreed;

A maximum figure of £500K be set for the Asset Replacement Reserve with any surplus in excess of this being returned to forces in line with existing cost sharing arrangements

A maximum figure of £100K be set for the telecommunications reserve with any surplus in excess of this being returned to forces in line with existing cost sharing arrangements

Any uncommitted balance held in the Titan House contingency reserve be returned to forces in line with existing cost sharing arrangements

Any further matters requiring decision to be considered by the Joint Committee in February.

19/08

EMSOU performance management

Progress on developing the performance management framework was described.

The Committee did not consider at this stage that it was necessary for the Chair of EMPACJ to be appointed to the EMSOU project.

The Committee **resolved**

The amended protocol document be approved.

Performance information should be received on a quarterly basis

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Risk register information would be provided to provided context and exceptional operational information

The form of the performance data to be supplied would be kept under review

There would be separate discussions regarding the performance management of other projects in particular CTIU.

20/08

Regional custody visitors conference; Report back

The success of the event was noted and thanks expressed to all those involved.

21/08

Application for APA Award on Collaboration

The Application and the decision of the APA not to short list the application was noted.

Exempt Information Items

Resolved that under Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 the public should be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information defined by Schedule 12A of Paragraphs 3, 4 and 7 to the Act as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006 the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighing the public interest in disclosing the information.

Exempt items

Exempt minutes of the last meeting of the Joint Committee held on the 30th June 2008

East Midlands Special Operations: Quarterly submission