

CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Cheshire Police and Crime Panel

held on Friday 17th March 2023, in the Council Chamber,
Wyvern House, Winsford

PRESENT

Councillors:

Cheshire East: Councillors J Paul Findlow, Laura Jeuda and Mick Warren

Cheshire West & Chester: Councillors Rob Bissett and Keith Millar

Halton Councillors Martha Lloyd Jones and Norman Plumpton
Walsh

Warrington: Councillor Wendy Maisey OBE

Independent Co-optees: Mr Evan Morris MBE

Officers: Mr Martin Smith, Cheshire East Council

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllr Jane Whalen (Warrington), Cllr Lynn Riley (Cheshire West and Chester), Mrs Gemma Shepherd - Etchells and Miss Yasmin Somani.

2. CODE OF CONDUCT - DECLARATION OF INTERESTS. RELEVANT AUTHORITIES (DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS) REGULATIONS 2012

No issues were raised.

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No members of the public wished to speak at the meeting.

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 3rd February 2023 be approved.

5. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chair, along with the Police and Crime Commissioner thanked Councillors Laura Jeuda and Paul Findlow for the contribution that they had made to the Panel; both had announced that they would not be standing at the forthcoming elections. Presentations were made by the Chair and the Commissioner to both Councillors Jeuda and Findlow.

6. DATES AND TIMES OF PANEL MEETINGS

RESOLVED:

That the programme of meetings for the 2023/24 Municipal Year be approved.

7. POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER'S SCRUTINY PAPERS – 18TH JANUARY 2023

The Panel noted the papers that the Commissioner had published in advance of his Scrutiny meeting held on 18th January.

8. QUESTIONS SUBMITTED IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING TO THE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER

The Chair explained that two questions had been formally submitted to the Commissioner in advance of the meeting and that these had been included in the published papers.

9. WELCOME TO THE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER / INTRODUCTION BY THE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER

The Chair formally welcomed the Commissioner to the meeting. The Commissioner updated the Panel on his Community Cashback Fund, which he had briefed on at the previous meeting. He also briefed the Panel on successful bids for funding from the Safer Streets Fund and on a number of other funding bids he had made. He informed the Panel that he had commissioned independent research about violence against women and girls in Cheshire.

The Commissioner provided an update on the Police uplift programme, noting that during 2022/23 the Constabulary had met its targets for the increase in Officers.

10. OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY OF THE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER

Panel members asked the Commissioner a range of questions. Details of questions and the Commissioner's responses can be found on the Police and Crime Panel page of the Cheshire East Council website.