

Minutes of the Joint Business Meeting
3rd October 2013
Balliol Business Park

Start time 9am
Finish – 12.10pm

Attendees – Vera Baird, Sue Sim, Elaine Snaith, Mark Dennett, Richard Heron, Mike Tait, Maureen Berne, Bernie McCardle, Scott Duffy, Greg Vant

1 - The Commissioner opened the meeting and thanked people for attending.

2 – Follow up from previous meeting.

A – Richard Heron gave an update on the Late Night Levy.

B – Bernie McCardle informed the meeting that the Independent Audit Committee had made suggestions about the Risk Register, and these suggestions have been included in the final document.

C – John Leslie to speak to Keir about their CSR Policy.

D – John Leslie to check about rates for Northumbria Police.

2 – A comprehensive presentation on the building work at Forth Banks was given by Sandra Punton.

3 – Estates: John Leslie

John raised three issues:

A – Contract Award: Provision of Professional Services in relation to the disposal of the North Road, Ponteland. **The Commissioner agreed with the recommendation.**

B – Grant of licence in respect of a multi agency safeguarding hub at Gillbridge Police Station, Sunderland. **This had been agreed at a previous meeting.**

C – Grant of licence in respect of parking at South Shields Police Station. **The Commissioner agreed to this recommendation.**

4 – Finance: Mike Tait

Mike presented a paper on Fleet Management. The paper was discussed and it was agreed that this matter will continue to be monitored and reported back to the Joint Business group.

5- Legal: Richard Heron

No agenda items for this meeting.

6 – Corporate Comms - Maureen Berne

Maureen spoke about the various campaigns, issues that were being worked on by her department.

7 – Office of Police & Crime Commissioner.

The Commissioner raised the issue of Employers Policy on Domestic Violence. The force are continuing to work on this, and will ensure it goes through the PCC Advisory Group for comment.

Once all parties are happy, a launch date will be agreed (sometime in October).

It was noted that the Home Office will be releasing crime figures in mid October.