

MERTHYR TYDFIL COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL



MINUTES OF MEETING

**SOUTH WALES POLICE AND
CRIME PANEL MEETING**

FRIDAY, 8TH SEPTEMBER, 2017

PRESENT: Councillor M Jehu (In the Chair)

Councillors B Bowen-Thomson, T Davies, K Gibbs, R Lewis,
P Rees, C Richards, K Roberts, J Thomas and R Young

Co-optees:

Mr Martyn Jones

Outside Bodies:

Mr Alun Michael Police and Crime Commissioner

Mr Lee Jones

Matt Jukes and Brian Allsop – South Wales Police

Officers:

Simon Jones (Senior Solicitor), Howard Jones (Scrutiny Officer)
and Mair Morgan (Democratic Services Officer)

ITEM NO.	AGENDA MATTER	DECISION
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Chair

Due to the appointment of Chair and Vice Chair being Items Three and Four on the agenda, Mr Simon Jones Solicitor took the Chair for Items One to Four.

1	Apologies for Absence	Apologies for absence were received from Councillor R Smith.
2	Declarations of Interest	No Declarations of Interest were made.

Annual Meeting

3	Appointment of Chair	Resolved that: Councillor Robert Smith be appointed as Chair of the Panel.
4	Appointment of Vice Chair	Resolved that: Mr Melvin Jones Co-opted Member be appointed as Vice Chair of the Panel.

Chair

Mr Melvin Jones took the Chair and thanked the Panel for his appointment.

Mr Jones also advised that Item 10 – Public Questions would be considered as the next item.

5	Briefing Session	The Panel considered in detail the issues that were to be considered at the Meeting.
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Confirmation Hearing for the Proposed Appointment of the Chief Constable

6	Confirmation Hearing for the Proposed Appointment of the Chief Constable for South Wales Police	<p>The Chair welcomed Mr Alun Michael Police and Crime Commissioner, Mr Matt Jukes Deputy Chief Constable, Lee Jones Assistant Police and Crime Commissioner and Sergeant Brian Allsop to the Meeting.</p> <p>The Chair referred the Panel to the report and the Guidance Note in relation to the Confirmation Hearing for the Proposed Appointment of the Chief Constable for South Wales Police.</p> <p>Mr Michael then outlined to the Panel the process that had been undertaken in relation to this appointment.</p> <p>Mr Matt Jukes Deputy Chief Constable then addressed the Panel and responded in detail to the questions raised by the Panel.</p> <p>All Parties then left the Meeting.</p>
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Confirmation Hearing for the Proposed Appointment of the Interim Chief of Staff

7	Confirmation Hearing for the Proposed Appointment of the Interim Chief of Staff	<p>The Chair referred the Panel to the report and Guidance Note in relation to the Confirmation Hearing for the Proposed Appointment of the Interim Chief of Staff.</p> <p>Mr Michael then outlined to the Panel the process that had been undertaken in relation to this appointment and responded to questions raised by the Panel.</p> <p>Mr Lee Jones Assistant Police and Crime Commissioner then addressed the Panel.</p> <p>All Parties then left the Meeting.</p>
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Closed Session

8	Panel Deliberation and Decision	<p>The Panel considered the appointments of the Chief Constable and the Interim Chief of Staff.</p> <p>After consideration by the Panel on the Appointment of the Chief Constable it was</p> <p>Resolved that:</p> <p>Mr Matt Jukes be confirmed as the Chief Constable for South Wales Police.</p> <p>Further Resolved that:</p> <p>Mr Simon Jones write to the Police and Crime Commissioner confirming the appointment of Mr Jukes.</p> <p>The Panel then considered the Appointment of the Interim Chief of Staff and it was</p> <p>Resolved that:</p> <p>Mr Lee Jones be confirmed as the Interim Chief of Staff</p> <p>Further Resolved that:</p> <p>Mr Simon Jones write to the Police and Crime Commissioner confirming the appointment of Mr Jones.</p> <p>All parties then re-entered the Meeting and the Chair advised Mr Jukes and Mr Jones of the Panel's decision and extended his and the Panels congratulations to both Mr Jukes and Mr Jones on their appointments.</p> <p>Mr Michael then extended an invitation to the Panel to meet with members of his Team together with members of the Police in an informal setting.</p>
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		The Chair thanked Mr Michael for his invitation to the Panel.
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Ordinary Meeting

9	Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)	<p>Resolved that:</p> <p>The Minutes of the Meeting held 23 March 2017 be accepted as a correct record.</p>
10	Public Questions	<p>Simon Jones advised the Panel of a letter that had been handed to him ten minutes prior to the commencement of the Meeting.</p> <p>Mr Jones then read out the contents of the letter to the Panel and advised that after consultation with the Panel Chair and the Monitoring Office a response would be sent to the author.</p> <p>Questions were then raised by the Panel on the letter and were responded to by Mr Jones.</p> <p>The author of the letter who was present at the Meeting then confirmed that they were happy with the process and would await a response on the matter.</p> <p>No further questions or statements from the public were made.</p> <p>Councillor B Bowen-Thomson entered the Meeting at 2.15 pm.</p>
11	Membership of the South Wales Police and Crime Panel	<p>Simon Jones referred the Panel to the 'Membership of the South Wales Police and Crime Panel' report and gave details on the options available.</p> <p>After consideration by the Panel it was</p> <p>Resolved that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) The membership of the South Wales Police and Crime Panel as set out in Paragraph 2.4 of the report be noted (b) The Panel maintain its current political balance (c) Simon Jones respond to the Home Office advising of the Panel's decision
12	Correspondence received - Police and Crime Panels; Consultation on Proposals for National Representation	<p>Simon Jones referred the Panel to the 'Consultation on proposals for National Representation' report.</p> <p>After consideration by the Panel it was</p> <p>Resolved that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) The preference of the Panel is not for a new body

		<p>but through the WLGA (b) Simon Jones write to the WLGA advising of the Panel's preference</p>
13	Schedule of Meeting Dates 2017 / 2018	<p>Resolved that:</p> <p>The schedule of Meeting dates as outlined in Paragraph 2.1 of the report be agreed with a commencement time of 10.30 am.</p>
14	Annual Work Programme	<p>Resolved that:</p> <p>The Work Programme items for the remainder of the agreed Meeting timetable be agreed.</p>
15	Date and Time of next meeting	<p>Resolved that:</p> <p>The next Panel Meeting be held on Tuesday 31 October 2017 commencing at 10.30 am.</p>
16	Any other business deemed urgent by the Chair	<p>The Chair advised that there was no business deemed urgent.</p>