

DEVON AND CORNWALL CONSTABULARY

DEVON & CORNWALL SAFETY CAMERA PARTNERSHIP BOARD MEETING

Held at: Moorland Links Hotel 21 October 2010

Chairman: Supt Swarbrick

Secretary: *****

Attended by: Jon Farr - Safety Camera Partnership
Natalia Hatswell - Safety Camera Partnership
Insp. Richard Pryce - Devon & Cornwall Constabulary
Adrian Trim - Plymouth City Council
Peter Moore - Cornwall Council
Rachel Dower - Cornwall Council
Paul Carpenter - HMCS
Peter Gimber – Devon County Council
C/I Booty – Devon & Cornwall Constabulary
Meghann Downing – Highways Agency

Apologies: Nigel Dyson - Highways Agency
Graham Rugg - HMCS

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	<p>Supt Swarbrick was due to arrive later at the meeting and therefore Jon Farr opened the meeting.</p> <p><u>Minutes of Last Meeting</u> The minutes of the meeting held on 21 September 2010 were confirmed in order.</p> <p><u>HMCS</u> Paul Carpenter has confirmed that HMCS are producing a Redundancy package due to the rationalisation of the Payments Office to Southampton when PENTIP is live. HMCS will not be able to absorb they staff.</p> <p><u>Highways Agency</u> Meghann advised that Area 2 – funding position is still unclear. Various areas in the organisation have requested monies as they would like to continue with Camera enforcement on their roads. The outcome will not be known until January 2011.</p>	<p>Meghann Downing / Nigel Dyson</p>

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General Updates from all Partners

Cornwall Council – 7.1 % cut year on year – LTP not know yet. Timescale will be advise by DFT. Capital to be reduced by 45%.

Plymouth City Council – There is no specific money available for Camera Enforcement and therefore unable to advise what is available for the Safety Camera Partnership.

Torbay Council – Situation is better than planned although no figures will be announced until November/December 2010.

Devon County Council – Authority will be different with work being externalised. Social enterprise organisations to be commissioned internally and externally over the next couple of years. Possibly buying into new wider Road Safety Partnership and not just a Camera Partnership.

Devon & Cornwall Police – 700 Police Officers and 300 Support Staff to go over the next 4 years which will be a difficult reduction to manage.

HMCS – 1 in 6 staff will go over the next 4 years with possibly the majority of staff going from HQ and regional offices. Changes will be announced in March 2011.

Highways Agency – Government has committed to major / managed motorway schemes and therefore less money for Regional Highways Agencies. Possible changes to the Highway Agencies.

Jon Farr Briefing

Jon advised the Partners of his meeting in Manchester regarding the funding issues and the way forward. ACPO proposals are a 3 way approach:

- 1) Act quickly to support Partnerships now to stabilise.
- 2) Business Plan for 2011/12
- 3) Make a sustainable Road Safety Partnership approach.

The Road Safety Minister has agreed proposals with regard to the funding stream to Partnerships. There will be 3 new courses available:

- 1) Seatbelt Offenders

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- 2) Driver Compliance
- 3) Considerate Drivers

Redeployment within Force

Jon advised that there is a possibility that most staff will be accommodated within the Force. There are some staff already undertaking a 28 day trial with another 3 other staff starting 28 day trials on Monday 25 October 2010.

Financial Position

Rachel Dower gave an overview of the financial position now that the credit notes have all been issued to the Local Authorities. Discussions took place regarding the contingency funds and the calls upon them during the next few months. Partners advised that at this stage it was best to retain the contingency to allow the partnership to function smoothly in this period of uncertainty.

Operational Plan

Discussions took place regarding the Operational Plan that Jon has produced for the next 3 years. It was agreed that within the next two weeks that all Partners would meet to revise the plan and then take it to their individual organisations by middle of November 2010. All agreed and Jon would set up the meeting.

Letter to Executives

Supt Swarbrick suggested that as Chair he would send a further letter to all the Local Authority Executives regarding the present situation. It was agreed by the Local Authorities that no letter should go until further discussions had taken place.

Jon Farr/All Local
Authorities Authorities

Peter Moore and Rachel Dower from Cornwall Council left the meeting at 1200hrs.

Presentation to Supt.Swarbrick

Jon undertook a presentation to Supt.Swarbrick on behalf of the Safety Camera Partnership members and staff as he is retiring from the Force on the 31 October 2010 to take up another post. Jon thanked Tim for his unstinting support

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over the past 6 years and for his pragmatic approach to some very difficult issues during this time. It has been a pleasure and a privilege to work with Tim and the Local Authorities and Highways Agency fully agreed.

Supt Swarbrick

As this was the last meeting as Chair Supt Swarbrick asked the meeting to consider who should take over this position. The Local Authorities agreed that they would like a “Floating” chair for the next few months. It was suggested that Peter Moore from Cornwall Council should be the chair at the next Partnership Board Meeting – subject to his agreement.

Next Meeting scheduled for Monday 6 December 2010.

Editor's Note

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