



POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR BEDFORDSHIRE

STRATEGIC BOARD MINUTES

26 July 2018, 11:00

Executive Conference Room, Beds Police HQ

Chair:	Kathryn Holloway, Police and Crime Commissioner (KH)
	Jon Boutcher, Chief Constable (JB)
	Garry Forsyth, Deputy Chief Constable (GF)
	Clare Kelly, Chief of Staff, OPCC (CK)
	Phil Wells, Assistant Chief Officer (PW)
	Anna Akerman, Director of Policy, OPCC (AA)
	John Murphy, Senior Staff Officer to the Chief Constable (JM)
	Ashton Miranda, Staff officer to DCC (AM)
	Nuala Dagnan, Executive Assistant, OPCC (ND) - <i>minutes</i>
Apologies:	Jackie Sebire, Assistant Chief Constable (JS)

- Minutes agreed-three amends – P2, 3 & 4 (actioned by ND)
- Actions – see updates on rolling action log

Athena: CK suggested we do a piece on this for the next BCJB.

JB said we are not where we should be on this and said he has concerns regarding the stability of Athena and elaborated on some of the issues. JB also added that he has expressed his concerns and that others have similar concerns across BCH. He suggested that someone should replace the role Nav Malik has been doing up to now to address these issues going forward. KH said she is opposed to us upgrading an individual but would rather someone take on this role who has the specialist skills and suggested we contact the Police ICT for assistance with this. KH further added her concern regarding Northgate's disconnect and that Northgate should be delivering to our requirement and that these issues cannot be linked to a server as we are working off various servers.

JB added that he would appreciate the PCC's offer to contact Katie Bourne to get the wheels in motion with this and mentioned a couple of problems which have already been raised which have still not been corrected.

GF added that specialist assistance is required.

PW said that we could also use PA Consulting as another option and reminded all that Athena is not an IT project, it's a change project.

JB mentioned that the MET have also signed up for ATHENA.

(see action log item 2)



Restorative Justice - JB said that because of the demands we are under we are not doing as much as we should. CK said thanks to Chris and Kevin for the work they are doing. GF said there are other options we are exploring also.

Home Office Report - JB spoke about the report last week which showed Bedfordshire Police in 2nd place. The Chief suggested that the PCC write to Sir Tom. KH said she will also write to Baroness Young regarding the flawed research and will ask for a meeting with her.

ANPR – JB advised that this is critical and assists us with intelligence and that a new national ANPR Service is being rolled out in December this year. We are now compliant and have 400 cameras across BCH. We are 1 of the top 5 business users nationally.

Public Order - KH advised that she has written to the Home Secretary. JB talked about the Force being at tipping point and showing evidence of this.

KH mentioned the error in the report last week to the FRA she asked GF to follow this up with a confirmed correction of what will be happening. KH also asked to re-do the test as it hasn't been done for over 5 years (regarding a Mass Fatality situation) (*action 18*)

MI Data: CK asked if we could write a form of words regarding what we are missing. GF said we have written to the home office and further added that he would check with JS to see if this had been actioned (*action 19*)

Missing and Vulnerable – GF talked about regular dip sampling and that there is lots of quality assurance but we need to continue working on this.

Chief Constable complaints

There is currently one outstanding complaint which CK is chasing.

Finance:

Quarterly Reporting - PW mentioned that we have an over spend for 2017/18 and that plans are needed for reserves which would mean we would go under the 3%.

KH said she is unwilling to declare whether she will stand for re-election until she sees the outcome of the spending review.

PW is putting together a business case for Special Grant Fund.

AOB:

See Action Log items: 20,21 & 22