



**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CAMBRIDGESHIRE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL –  
COMPLAINTS SUB COMMITTEE  
HELD PETERBOROUGH CITY COUNCIL  
ON 13 OCTOBER 2016**

**Members Present:** E Leigh (Chairman) Independent Co-opted Member, Councillors E Murphy, R Bisby

**Officers Present:** Jane Webb                      Secretariat, Peterborough City Council  
Alison Stuart                      Assistant Director, Legal and Democratic  
Services, Peterborough City Council

**1. Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Giles and Pearson.

**2. Declarations of Interest**

Declarations of interest were received as follows:

Councillor Murphy declared an interest in that he used to be a member of Labours National Executive Committee for Travellers Rights and previously held a position at Peterborough City Council as a Travellers Liaison Officer.

**3. Exclusion of the Press and Public**

In accordance with Standing Orders, the Committee was asked to determine whether item 4, Complaint Against the Cambridgeshire Police and Crime Commissioner which contained exempt information as defined by Paragraph 1 of Schedule 12A of Part 1 of the Local Government Act 1972, 'Information relating to any individual'. should be exempt and the press and public excluded from the meeting when the item was discussed, or whether the public interest in disclosing this information outweighed the public interest in maintaining the exemption.

The Committee **RESOLVED** to the exclusion of the press and public for agenda item 4.

**4. Complaint Against the Cambridgeshire Police and Crime Commissioner**

Following the decision of the Independent Police Investigation Commission that the complaints which the Sub Committee referred were not serious enough to warrant investigation, the Sub Committee must decide what further action if any they wish to take in

respect of the complaints under Regulation 28 Elected Local Policing Bodies (Complaints and Misconduct) Regulations 2012.

As agreed at agenda item 3 the meeting moved into exempt session.

In accordance with the Elected Local Policing Bodies (Complaints and Misconduct) Regulations 2012 and following consideration of the complaints, the Sub Committee **AGREED** that no further action was taken against the Police and Crime Commissioner

The Sub Committee resolved to make the following recommendations to the Commission:

- That, within a reasonable period of time, the Commissioner send the complainant a written apology; acknowledging that his earlier comments caused offence;
- That the Commissioner invite the Complainant to a meeting to discuss the complaint;
- That the Commissioner engage with representatives of the traveller community.

### **Reasons for the decision**

The Sub Committee considered the response from the Independent Police Complaints Commission regarding the two complaints and determined in line with Regulation 28 of the Elected Local Policing Bodies (Complaints and Misconduct) Regulations 2012 that no further action should be taken against the Police and Crime Commissioner.

The meeting began at 1:30pm and ended at 1:55pm

CHAIRMAN