

**CENTRAL SCOTLAND POLICE  
WEEKLY FORCE POLICY GROUP  
Monday 16th November 2009**

**OPEN MINUTE**

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FPG 16/11/09 1.	<b>WELCOME &amp; APOLOGIES</b>	<p><b>Present:</b> CC Smith, DCC MacLeod, CS Samson, CS MacKenzie, Mr Noble, Mr Shearer, Mr Walker.</p> <p><b>In attendance:</b> Ms Inglis (Minutes).</p>		
FPG 16/11/09 2.	<b>PROPOSED PUBLIC HOLIDAYS 2010</b>	<p>Proposed statutory holidays for Police Officers and Police Staff were circulated for FPG consideration and approval.</p> <p>The proposed statutory holidays were approved and will be communicated to Police Officers and Staff in due course.</p>		
FPG 16/11/09 3.	<b>FORCE CUSTODY UNIT STAFFING</b>	<p>A paper in regard to the provision of custody facilities within CSP had been circulated for FPG consideration. The paper also detailed options for future staffing.</p> <p>Option 1: Continue with current model.</p> <p>Option 2: Increase staffing levels within each custody unit to 2 at all times. This proposal would incur additional costs of circa £330K.</p> <p>Option 3: Increase staffing levels within each custody unit to 2 at all times, plus build in provision for relief cover. This proposal would incur additional costs of circa £464K.</p> <p>The above options were discussed along with the possibility of consolidating 2 custody units into one within CSP by providing modular accommodation at a central location, perhaps Larbert or Falkirk.</p> <p>Consideration was given to additional travelling time for officers taking arrested persons into custody, which would have a considerable impact especially over weekends.</p> <p>Future requirements in regard to single cell occupancy were also considered, in</p>		

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		<p>respect of new facilities.</p> <p>It was decided that a decision on such significant expenditure could not be made in the absence of accurate demand analysis figures, and a Best Value Review of the custody suites was requested. The BVSR should aim to provide a comprehensive understanding of the current problems and potential solutions.</p>		
		<p><b>ACTION: CS to nominate a person to undertake BVSR of custody arrangements and to prepare a proposal for FPG consideration.</b>  <b>UPDATE: CI McFarlane nominated to undertake BVSR of custody arrangements.</b></p>	<p><b>CS MacKenzie</b>  <b>CS Samson</b>  <b>COMPLETE</b></p>	
<p>FPG 16/11/09 4.</p>	<p><b>PRIORITY CRIME UNIT</b></p>	<p>Further discussion was undertaken in regard to the PCU Evaluation / Options paper presented at the 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2009 FPG meeting.</p> <p>Option 1: Withdraw from the mixed economy policing model and discontinue the pilot.  Option 2: Continue with pilot in Falkirk AC only.  Option 3: Continue with the pilot in Falkirk and move to rollout pilot to Stirling and Clacks AC's.</p> <p>It was decided that more detail was required to make an informed decision. CS MacKenzie to tease out issues in a reasonably short time and 2 hours further discussion to be arranged, to include presentation from Supt Buist.</p>		
		<p><b>ACTION: CS MacKenzie to provide further detail in regard to options 2 and 3. Supt Buist to present this to FPG. Date to be determined (Val to advise date).</b>  <b>UPDATE: Presented 2/12, option 2 selected.</b></p>	<p><b>CS MacKenzie</b>  <b>COMPLETE</b></p>	