

Conduct Sub Group Committee (East)

Meeting held, East Office, Livingston, Wednesday 2nd April 2014

Attendance

Colin Gagen, Mhairi Davidson, James Friery, Steven Herd, Heather MacDonald, Grant McDowall (Left the meeting at 1045hrs, attendance at court), Allan Symington, David Kennedy (National Conduct Secretary), John Ferguson (North Area Conduct Lead) and Gordon Dixon (East Area Conduct Lead).

Apologies

Kevin Payne

Opening of Meeting

GD opened the meeting and welcomed all present and invited them all to participate in the meeting.

Election of Chair

Being the sole nomination Grant McDowall was elected Chair of the Conduct Sub Group Committee (East).

Complaints Against the Police

There would appear to be a decrease in complaints in the Force.

The Force are cascading out Conciliation Units, were complainers are contacted direct be PSD staff to see if the complaints can be conciliated.

Officers will also attend meetings with Divisional management if they have had a large number of complaints, to ensure that there are no underlying issues.

A query was raised by a member of the committee in relation to persistent complainers, DK passed comment that the Force would be unlikely to pursue the matter as this may prevent legitimate complaints from the public.

Conduct

The new regulations came into effect the previous day and the application of these will be monitored.

CAPD has instructed the Force to vigorously investigate DPA allegations and this has resulted in an increase in cases being reported.

PowerPoint presentation will soon be available for shift briefing in relation to DPA.

Performance

The new regulations came into effect the previous day and the application of these will be monitored.

Police Appeals Tribunal

No update

Police Investigations and Review Commissioner

Any areas of concern to be taken to DK through GD.

Vetting

No update

Communications

No update

Competent Business

None

Closure

Date of next meeting to be advised.