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OPERATION LORICATED STEERING COMMITTEE MINUTES

DATE: 2 September 2013.

TIME: 10.00 AM

LOCATION: Legal Services Conference Room, Tower 1, Level 8 VPC

Chairperson: Assistance Commissioner Stephen Fontana (S/F)

Attendees: Acting Assistance Commissioner Doug Fryer (D/F), Superintendent Gerry Ryan (G/R), Superintendent Paul Sheridan, Findlay McRae (F/M), Detective Inspector Mick Frewen (M/F).

Apologies: Assistance Commissioner Emmett Dunne (E/D), Mark Galliot (M/G)

Minutes: Mick Frewen (M/F)

Apologies per above

Conflict Of Interest

- None Noted however S/F briefed Deputy Commissioner Cartwright on same at last briefing and it was noted potentially many person would be known to the committee through professional historic associations

Minutes

- Minutes of meeting held on 6 August, 2013 accepted.

Action Items

- **Action Item 1**
MG to present conflict of interest forms to D/C Cartwright for consideration/endorsement – Done on 16/8/13
Action – Complete
- **Action Item 2**
MG to schedule briefing of D/C Cartwright by D/F & S/F – Done on 16/8/13
Action – Complete
- **Action Item 2A**
Options to be considered for upgraded position for Jim Hilliard – DF sourced a position number from Intell & Covert Support Command till Dec 13.
Action – Complete
- **Action Item 2B**
M/F and G/R to look at sourcing another vehicle. G/R to explore sourcing vehicle via Trident Task Force

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Action – Ongoing

- **Action Item 2C**

D/F to look at sourcing monitors from Briars to assist in monitoring role. No longer required Josie Vissini has completed role monitor no longer required but general discussion held regarding formal recognition of monitors as work group citation or similar for the valued task they perform. S/F to conduct work group visit

Action – S/F & G/R look at Citation for work group and work group visit

- **Action Item 2D**

G/R & M/F look at appropriate triage activity re themes revealed by project team.

Action – Ongoing team needs to continue data capture before this can take place

General Business

Report by the progress of the project team given by M/F per the monthly return.

General Discussion re Paul Dale book and need for updated risk assessment of Witness F

Action Item 1 P/S to report back on updated Risk Assessment of Witness F currently being done by Steve Waddell, should be done within a week or so. That document then to be reviewed by the committee.

Action Item 2 G/R to follow up with Insp Ian Campbell re ongoing contact with F post release of book and the nature of contact/any actions taken by Ian Campbell.

Action Item 3 G/R to follow with Brad Nicholls from People Performance within Crime to locate a suitable position for Damian Jackson to be upgraded into.

General discussion around succession planning/opportunity Damian Jackson seeking external upgrading to S/Sgt rank, S/F encourage 1 for 1 swap where possible and Jim Hilliard was keen to pursue opportunity at the MCIU.

F/M had a legal services assessment done of the Paul Dale book by Andy Bona – there were nil issues arising as most were a matter of public record.

F/M discussed a meeting he had with the Director of Public Prosecutions on 28/8/13 where then issue of Conflict of interest re issues with Witness F were canvassed.

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Advice from the director was where clear conflict of interest in role of F and clients identified by project team to report back.

OTHER BUSINESS

Further report from project team GANNT chart presented and per chart all activities are currently on track, with a view to completing major activities by December, 2013.

Phase report presented as per monthly report.

No significant risks were identified.

Project Team still working at collating and cross referencing data across themes. Highlighted some audio recording did not correlate with ICR's but this needs to be worked through further before they can definitively say that is the case.

To date approx 1100 records have been uploaded into the Web Based Browser, there is approx 5000 to be completed.

F/M provided advice to Damian Jackson of project team re Conflict of Interest cover when "Witness F was clearly acting for person/client XXX".

HSMU conducting [REDACTED] Course @ Airlie 8-13 September – low profile to be kept during that time – staffed briefed by M/F

MEETING CONCLUDED AT 10.50 AM

NEXT MEETING

- Reconfirmed by Committee 1 Month TBA