

COMPLAINTS AND CONDUCT COMMITTEE
15 September 2021

**Private Minute of the Scottish Police Authority Complaints and
Conduct Committee held by video conference on Wednesday 15
September 2021**

Committee Members

Alasdair Hay (Committee Chair)
Paul Edie
Grant Macrae
Fiona McQueen

Scottish Police Authority

Chris Brown, Deputy Chief Executive, Resources
Darren Paterson, Head of Workforce Governance
Graham Ravenscroft, Complaints and Conduct Co-ordinator
Stuart Milne, Complaints and Conduct Co-ordinator
Colette Craig, Governance Support Officer

1. Standing Items

Welcome and Apologies

The Chair welcomed attendees and noted that there were no apologies.

Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest.

Decision on taking business in private (Items 2 - 3)

Members agreed to take items 2-3 in private.

2. COP26 SPA Complaint Handling Report

The committee considered a report which provided information on the Authority's complaint handling strategy for COP26. Darren Paterson (DPaterson) highlighted key points as noted within the report. During discussions the following areas were discussed:

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- The SPA's role in overseeing how Police Scotland handle their complaints.
- Scenario planning being undertaken anticipating potential increase in complaints linked to COP26.
- Members were advised how complaints would be triaged in respect of mutual aid officers.

The Committee resolved to:

- **NOTE** the report.

3. SPA Ongoing Complaints Update Report

Members were provided with two reports prepared by the SPA Complaints Team and invited to consider and make decisions on those complaints.

The reasons and rationale for the decisions in both complaints were outlined in the reports. There was no disagreement with the recommendation, based on the assessment of the evidence provided to the Committee.

The Committee resolved to:

- **AGREE** the recommendations set out within both reports.

End.