

MINUTES
5th MEETING OF 2014
THE ANTI-CORRUPTION COMMISSION
2 SEPTEMBER, 2014
CONFERENCE ROOM, COMMISSIONS SECRETARIAT

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:

Commissioner of Police David Baines	Chairman
Sir Peter Allen	Member
Leonard Ebanks	Member
Auditor General Alastair Swarbrick	Member

APOLOGIES:

Complaints Commissioner Nicola Williams	Member
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ANTI-CORRUPTION UNIT MEMBERS PRESENT:

Richard Oliver	Detective Inspector, ACU
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SECRETARIAT MEMBERS PRESENT:

Deborah Bodden	Manager
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1. **Meeting called to order**

The meeting was called to order at 10:00am.

2. **Confirmation of previous minutes**

The minutes of the 5th August, 2014 meeting were confirmed.

3. **Outstanding Business**

a. 2014-2015 Budget

The Chairman and Manager will be meeting with the Chief Officer of the Portfolio of the Civil Service to finalise the formal secondment agreements with the two existing Investigators which will be paid out of the 2014-2015 budget year. It is noted that in his capacity as Commissioner of Police another RCIPS Detective Constable has been provided to the Anti-Corruption Unit as a third Investigator. The 2014-2015 budget of the Commissions Secretariat does not, however, allow for the payment of this investigator and thus those costs will therefore be met by RCIPS for the time being.

b. Server/Software Programme

The server now been installed and the new case management system is due to be installed in the next few weeks for the use by the Anti-Corruption Unit (ACU). Once this has been completed the uploading of information into the system will have to be arranged. This case management system is also being used by the Financial Crimes Unit of the RCIPS however the two systems will be maintained independently to ensure integrity of the information and the Units. The Commissioner will be making enquiries as to the usage of the system by FCU in order to gain any insight for the ACC in its future use.

4. **Operational Update**

The Commission received an update from the Commissioner and the Manager on the 22 ongoing investigations being conducted by the ACU. The purpose of these updates is to provide the members with insight into the types of cases being handled by the ACU and as a result the levels of workload they are experiencing and the resources necessary to handle such workloads. Specific details such as names, locations, dates, etc. are included in a separate schedule due to security issues. Information shared with members is done so to ensure they are able to fully act in their capacity as an oversight body.

The Commission was informed that since inception (1st Jan. 2010) there have been 109 complaints registered by the ACC (2 of which have been received within the current reporting period 1 July, 2014 – 30 June, 2015), of which:

- a. 3 are 'pending' awaiting further or sufficient information which may make it appropriate to make further investigations;
- b. 74 have been concluded;
- c. 10 have been transferred to other investigative units for action; and
- d. 22 are under current active investigation.

During the update member Leonard Ebanks reiterated his past business positions and relationships in the financial industry which the Commission as a whole agreed do not in any way conflict him from receiving updates on any of the cases which are under current active investigation.

The Chairman will be writing to Her Excellency today to again indicate the need of the ACC to receive additional administrative and technical support in order to complete investigations in a timelier manner.

5. **Report by the Auditor General**

The Auditor General provided a briefing of the concerns he is experiencing and investigating which relate to the Anti-Corruption Commission. It is noted that his office works closely with the Anti-Corruption Unit in some instances and thus information is shared in a collaborative effort.

6. **Any Other Business**

a. **Tenure of Members**

It was noted that the employment agreement of member Nicola Williams, who serves on the ACC by virtue of holding the position of Complaints Commissioner, has been extended by twelve months. This has negated the need to further the discussion as to who would attend ACC meetings in her place.

b. **ACC 2013-2014 Annual Report**

All members have now received a copy of the ACC 2013-2014 Annual Report. Once members have had an opportunity to review the same it will be forwarded to the Deputy Governor and Attorney General per the Anti-Corruption Law (2008).

7. **Items to be Discussed at the Next Meeting**

None identified at this time.

8. **Next Meeting**

The next meeting is scheduled for 14 October, 2014 at 10am.

9. **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00noon.



David Baines
CHAIRMAN
ANTI-CORRUPTION COMMISSION