

and disorder in London and other force areas. He has already expressed his thanks to the Chief and the force for their efforts during this period, which saw only minor instances of disorder in West Yorkshire. In addition to extra resources provided within the county, the force also provided assistance to the Metropolitan Police and Greater Manchester Police.

As part of our regular discussions, the Chair had asked the Chief to provide information about mutual aid to other forces during the disorder, and if he could comment on the impact of how mutual aid might be provided following the election of a Police and Crime Commissioner in future.

#### **Question and Answer attached at Appendix A**

**c) Public Questions** - Following our usual invitation to members of the public to submit questions to the Police Authority, we received one question in respect of uninsured drivers, which was of an operational nature and was passed to the force for a response.

**d) Sheila Saunders-** Members' best wishes were sent to Sheila Saunders, who had been in hospital for over three weeks but was now home and on the road to recovery.

**e) New York** – Members were informed that the Chair and the Chief Constable had attended the 911 remembrance ceremony to support the British contingent and the West Yorkshire Police Band. The Chief would comment later in more detail but the Chair stated he was very proud to represent the WYPA at what had been a wonderful event. The visit had been made at no cost to the Police Authority.

**f) ACC Appointment** - Congratulations were offered to ACC Mark Milsom who was attending his first PA Meeting since his appointment as ACC.

## **29. ANNUAL GOVERNANCE REPORT**

Paul Lundy and Julie Talbot were in attendance to present the Audit Commission's Annual Governance Report for 2010/2011. The report summarised the findings for 2010/2011 which were substantially complete. It included the messages which had arisen from the audit of financial statements and the results of the work undertaken to assess arrangements to secure value for money in the use of resources. The key messages in respect of the audit opinion, financial statements and value for money were shown on page three of the report.

An unqualified opinion on the financial statements was expected together with an unqualified conclusion on arrangements for securing economy, efficiency and effectiveness in the use of resources.

Members queried the process for examining arrangements for value for money following the demise of the Police Use of Resources Assessment. Paul Lundy explained that the audit was geared to look at police authority arrangements for securing financial resilience and scrutinising effectiveness and efficiency.

Members wished to thank everyone involved in the audit.