

NOTICE OF MEETING

ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNITY SAFETY SCRUTINY PANEL

**Thursday, 13th September, 2018, 6.30 pm - Civic Centre, High Road,
Wood Green, N22 8LE**

Members: Councillors Kaushika Amin, Eldridge Culverwell, Scott Emery, Adam Jogee (Chair), Julia Ogiehor, Reg Rice and Matt White

Co-optees/Non Voting Members: Ian Sygrave (Haringey Association of Neighbourhood Watches).

Quorum: 3

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

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3. ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS

The Chair will consider the admission of any late items of urgent business (late items will be considered under the agenda item where they appear. New items will be dealt with as noted below).

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5. DEPUTATIONS/PETITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/QUESTIONS

To consider any requests received in accordance with Part 4, Section B, Paragraph 29 of the Council's Constitution.

6. MINUTES (PAGES 1 - 6)

To approve the minutes of the previous meeting on 13th March 2018.

7. APPOINTMENT OF NON-VOTING CO-OPTED MEMBER (PAGES 7 - 10)

8. MEMBERSHIP AND TERMS OF REFERENCE (PAGES 11 - 42)

9. KNIFE CRIME AND MOPAC PERFORMANCE OVERVIEW (PAGES 43 - 58)

10. CABINET MEMBER QUESTIONS: CABINET MEMBER FOR COMMUNITIES, SAFETY AND ENGAGEMENT

11. SCRUTINY REVIEW ON FEAR OF CRIME. UPDATE ON IMPLEMENTATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS. (PAGES 59 - 98)

12. STREET CLEANSING, WASTE AND RECYCLING: CURRENT PERFORMANCE (PAGES 99 - 104)

13. WORK PROGRAMME UPDATE (PAGES 105 - 114)

14. NEW ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS

To consider any items admitted at item 3 above.

15. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

16th October 2018
15th November 2018
18th December 2018
7th February 2019
11th March 2019

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Wednesday, 05 September 2018

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNITY SAFETY SCRUTINY PANEL HELD ON TUESDAY 13TH MARCH 2018

PRESENT:

Councillors: Tim Gallagher (Chair), Barbara Blake, Makbule Gunes, Bob Hare and Anne Stennett

Co-opted Member: Ian Sygrave (Haringey Association of Neighbourhood Watches)

1. FILMING AT MEETINGS

The Chair referred Members present to item 1 as shown on the agenda in respect of filming at the meeting and Members noted the information contained therein.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Carter.

3. ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS

None.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

5. DEPUTATIONS/PETITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/QUESTIONS

None.

6. MINUTES

In respect of item 51 (Transport Strategy), the Panel asked that the breakdown of Local Implementation Plan (LIP) funding that was requested be circulated when available.

AGREED:

That, subject to the above, the minutes of the meeting of 31 January 2018 be approved.

7. CABINET MEMBER QUESTIONS; CABINET MEMBER FOR COMMUNITIES

Councillor Ayisi, the Cabinet Member for Communities, reported on recent developments in respect of his portfolio as follows:

- The Community Safety Partnership had not been meeting regularly but had been relaunched and was now functioning with renewed vigour. All relevant stakeholders were now involved. Some joint meetings had taken place with the Health and Well Being Board to consider issues of mutual interest;
- Young people who came into contact with the justice system were often vulnerable and the gaps that there were in providing support needed to be acknowledged. There was a clear link to secondary exclusions. In respect of academic achievement, a specific group had been set up by Councillor Weston, the Cabinet Member for Children, to look at how levels amongst Black and Minority Ethnic communities could be improved;
- Some parents did not have the time to attend parents' evenings at schools due to their work commitments. In addition, some young people had no space to study when they got home. School could provide an escape for them;
- A study that had been undertaken of the 20 most prolific offenders in the borough had identified a number of common characteristics such as bereavement, having an older sibling involved in crime and domestic violence. A large percentage had experienced trauma.

In answer to a question, Joe Benmore, the Strategic Manager for Integrated Offender Management, reported that the increase in moped enabled robberies had now levelled off. There had been a pan London response with a dedicated Police squad set up. Operation Venice had been set up by the Police to address the issue. The strategy involved both enforcement and intervention. There was now a centralised hub for dealing with moped enabled crime as well as Police officers on motorcycles. However, there were also safeguarding issues that needed to be considered in respect of any pursuit. Many of the mopeds used were stolen and there was a security issue that manufacturers needed to consider.

Panel Members commented that moped theft was the root cause of the issue and felt that work should be undertaken with moped owners to encourage them to secure their vehicles properly. Mr Benmore reported that this was part of the overall strategy by the Police.

In answer to a question, the Cabinet Member stated that community safety work within the borough was financed by funding from the Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime (MOPAC), which all London boroughs received. Anything additional to this was a bonus. However, the underlying issues were covered by other Council priority areas, such as Regeneration and Children's Services. Mr Benmore commented that MOPAC had reduced the amount of funding for boroughs by 30% and it had therefore been necessary to look for savings. This was being addressed in part by bringing together boroughs that faced similar challenges and aligning services. The aim was to build resilience into the system and there was confidence that the cuts could be accommodated.

In answer to another question, the Cabinet Member reported that action had been taken in response to recent violent incidents in the borough. The Metropolitan Police's Territorial Support Group (TSG) had been deployed and stop and search was being used more widely. 40 additional Police officers had also been provided for the borough

in order to provide reassurance to residents. Social media was also being monitored closely. There was a lack of recognised community leaders in the Wood Green area, which meant that it was difficult to engage with young people from the area regarding the disorder that had taken place.

The Panel noted that there was a perception amongst some young people that they were safer if they carried a knife. In addition, they could also be reticent to call the Police if under threat. Most knives were ordinary kitchen ones as these were small, concealable and of no value. Drugs and money were the motivation behind most gang activity. Young people wanted jobs that could fulfil their ambitions and lacked enthusiasm for apprenticeships. Gangs could become a surrogate family for them but it was difficult for them to exit if they so wished. The Cabinet Member commented that although signposting was provided for young people, there was a lack of effective careers advice and guidance.

In answer to a question, Mr Benmore reported that there was a national strategy around drugs that focussed on tackling organised criminal networks. There had been a lot of activity and some notable successes. It was a national issue though and not just confined to Haringey.

8. COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP; CRIME PERFORMANCE FIGURES

Sandeep Broca, Intelligence Analyst from Community Safety and Enforcement, reported that the Mayor's Police and Crime Plan (2017-2021) outlined the key priorities for London. These were:

- Sexual violence;
- Domestic abuse;
- Child sexual exploitation;
- Weapon-based crime;
- Hate crime; and
- Anti-Social Behaviour.

In addition, two local priorities had been set for Haringey. These were robbery and Non-Domestic Violence with Injury (VWI). Although total crime had increased, the increase in Haringey had been smaller than the average and this was a significant achievement. The hot spots were Wood Green, Bruce Grove and Seven Sisters.

There had been an increase in hate crime and this had included large increases in homophobic and anti semitic offences. It was felt that the driver behind this was a greater level of reporting which had been generated by a specific media campaign. Domestic abuse with injury had increased at a higher rate than the London average but it was also thought that this might be driven by increased reporting. In particular, there had been an effort to promote earlier reporting. Hotspot locations appeared to be related to where housing density was greatest. There had been a much smaller increase in sex offences. These were spread relatively evenly across the borough.

There had been an increase of 41% in personal robbery, which was very high. Approximately two mobile phones per day were stolen as part of this. Many of the perpetrators carried knives and it was possible that this also had a knock-on effect on levels of knife crime. In order to be recorded as robbery, such crimes needed to

include the threat of violence. There had been a significant decrease in the number of young knife injury victims, which was good news. However, it still remained a serious problem for the borough. Key locations were Wood Green High Street, Turnpike Lane and Bruce Grove/Lansdowne Road but they tended to shift in response to targeted work in high volume locations. Mr. Benmore commented that Operation Spectre had taken place in response to knife crime. Action had included a weapons sweep and an education campaign. There had also been a Police presence at the North Middlesex Hospital. Young victims often did not want to report crime and work needed to be done with them to encourage them to do so. Trends were analysed regularly by partners and there was a partnership problem solving group. Amongst other things, consideration was given as to how resources could be deployed most effectively.

Mr. Broca reported that 1 in 8 firearm discharges in London took place in Haringey and there had been a 160% increase in the past year. The use of firearms appeared to be targeted and specific rather than random. In order for firearm discharges to be recorded as such, they needed to have the capacity to be lethal. There also had to be proof of their discharge. The Police Operation Viper team were deployed where the need was greatest. The Panel noted that the team often had to come from the middle of London, which could cause delay. Newham had similar issues with firearms to Haringey and the two boroughs had to compete for resources. There had not been a significant escalation in the number of guns in London though and there was evidence that the same ones were being used in multiple incidents.

The Panel noted that non domestic abuse violence with injury had increased faster than the London average and was likely to be the focus for action in the next 12 months. The locations for incidents were generally busy locations around shopping centres and transport hubs. There had been a small increase in incidents in parks but this appeared to have dropped off now. Improving confidence and satisfaction levels was a big challenge but it appeared to be improving slightly, with the borough moving up from 32nd to 23rd. compared to other boroughs. However, there was still a confidence gap between the white and BAME communities. In terms of crime in parks, there had been a small decrease. It only represented 2% of total crime, with 629 offences being recorded last year. 40% of these were related to events in parks and were theft or robbery, mostly of mobile phones. There was a low level of violent crime in parks.

In answer to a question, Mr Broca stated that acid attacks were very rare in Haringey. Legislation was planned regarding the sale of such liquids. The Panel commented that, whilst the report was very helpful and contained some excellent data, a longer terms perspective would enable Members to obtain a more accurate impression of trends. In addition, some changes in figures were likely not to be of statistical significance. It would therefore be useful if standard deviations could be included with the figures. It was felt that more could be done to address the issue of disabled parking badges. It was felt that more could be done to promote the Companion Badge, which helped prevent theft as it incorporated the vehicle registration document. Mr Benmore stated that there had been an increase in motor vehicle offences. Many of these were committed by more prolific offenders.

9. REVIEW ON PARKS

The Panel considered the draft report of its review on parks. The Panel requested that an additional recommendation be added to the report concerning land abutting parks and open spaces. It was felt that any developments on such land should be sensitive to the surroundings, with the aim of creating a green buffer zone. Action such as greening the facades of buildings and limiting shadowing could be undertaken and the Council could commit to negotiating with developers on these issues.

AGREED:

That, subject to the above, the draft report of the review be approved for submission to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

10. WORK PROGRAMME UPDATE

AGREED:

That the completed workplan for the year be noted.

11. VOTE OF THANKS

It being the last meeting of the Panel for the current Municipal Year, the Chair was thanked by the Panel for his work as Chair. The Chair thanked Members and officers for their kind assistance and co-operation.

CHAIR: Councillor Tim Gallagher

Signed by Chair

Date

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Report for: Environment and Community Safety Scrutiny Panel – 13
September 2018

Item number: 7

Title: Appointment of Non Voting Co-opted Member

Report authorised by: Ayshe Simsek, Democratic Services and Scrutiny Manager

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Ward(s) affected: All

**Report for Key/
Non Key Decision:** N/A

1. Describe the issue under consideration

1.1 The report seeks formal approval of the re-appointment of a non voting co-opted Member to the Panel.

2. Cabinet Member Introduction

N/A

3. Recommendations

3.1 That a representative from Haringey Association of Neighbourhood Watches be appointed as a non voting co-opted Member of the Panel for the 2018/19 Municipal Year;

4. Reasons for decision

4.1 As outlined in the scrutiny protocol, each of the standing scrutiny panels have the power to appoint up to three non voting co-opted Members to assist them with their work.

5. Alternative options considered

5.1 The Panel could decide not to appoint any non voting co-opted Members or, alternatively, could decide to appoint two or three co-optees.

6. Background information

6.1 The Local Government Act 2000 made provision for the co-option of non-elected members to Overview and Scrutiny to bring additional expertise and skills to scrutiny work and to increase public engagement with scrutiny.

6.2 Within the current structure of scrutiny in Haringey, there is one overarching Overview and Scrutiny Committee and four advisory panels, these being:

- Adults and Health
- Children and Young People
- Environment and Community Safety
- Housing and Regeneration

6.3 The Overview and Scrutiny Committee consists of 5 non executive members and includes Haringey's statutory education representatives, who have voting rights solely on education matters.

6.4 Scrutiny panels are chaired by a Member of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee. The membership of each panel consists of between 3 and 7 non executive members and is politically proportional as far as possible. The membership of the Children and Young People's Scrutiny Panel also includes the statutory education representatives of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

6.5 In addition, each scrutiny panel is entitled to appoint up to three non-voting co-optees to assist scrutiny with its work. The terms of reference/arrangements for Overview and Scrutiny are set out in Part 2 (Article 6), Part 3 (Section B) and Part 4 (Section 6) of the Council's Constitution. Further information can be found via the link below:

<http://www.haringey.gov.uk/local-democracy/about-council/council-constitution>

6.6 By bringing a diverse spectrum of experience and adding a different perspective to many items, non voting co-optees are expected to add value to scrutiny by performing the following roles:

- To act as a non-party political voice for those who live and/or work in Haringey.
- To bring specialist knowledge and/or skills to the Overview and Scrutiny process and to bring an element of external challenge by representing the public.
- To establish good relations with members, officers and co-optees.
- To abide by the relevant sections of the Council's Constitution in terms of the rules and procedures for Overview and Scrutiny.

6.7 It is expected that non voting co-optees will:

- Attend formal meetings of the Panel, which are usually held in the evening.

- Attend additional meetings and evidence gathering sessions such as site visits.
- Prepare for meetings by reading the agenda papers and additional information to familiarise themselves with the issues being scrutinised.
- Prior to meetings consider questions they may wish to put to Cabinet Members, officers and external witnesses.
- Help the Panel to make practical suggestions for improvements to services.
- Assist in the preparation of reports and the formulation of recommendations.
- Contribute to the development of the annual scrutiny work programme.
- Keep abreast of key issues for the authority and bear these in mind when scrutinising services and making recommendations for improvement.

6.8 A key aspect of the Environment and Community Safety Scrutiny Panel's work concerns community safety and Haringey Association of Neighbourhood Watches are a key local organisation with a role in this. They are therefore considered well placed to assist the Panel in its work. They have also previously been represented on a co-opted basis on scrutiny panels with a role in community safety and provided valuable input on relevant areas.

7 Statutory Officers comments (Chief Finance Officer (including procurement), Assistant Director of Corporate Governance, Equalities)

Finance and Procurement

7.1 There will be no additional costs to the Council as a result of this decision.

Legal

7.2 The Assistant Director of Corporate Governance has been consulted in the preparation of this report. Part 4 Section G (3.1) of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules in the Constitution permits the Panel to appoint up to three people as non-voting co-optees.

7.3 The co-optee is not entitled to vote on recommendations before the Panel. Therefore, the co-optee is not bound by the Council's Code of Conduct (in Part 5 Section A of the Constitution) that includes the registration and declaration of interest. However, the co-optee should be required to comply with relevant parts of the General Obligations of the Code (in Paragraph 3) when attending the meetings and conducting the business of the Panel.

Equality

7.6 The Council has a public sector equality duty under the Equalities Act (2010) to have due regard to:

- Tackle discrimination and victimisation of persons that share the characteristics protected under S4 of the Act. These include the characteristics of age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex (formerly gender) and sexual orientation;
- Advance equality of opportunity between people who share those protected characteristics and people who do not;
- Foster good relations between people who share those characteristics and people who do not.

8.7 The proposals outlined in this report relate to the membership of the Environment and Community Safety Scrutiny Panel and carry no direct implications for the Council's general equality duty.

8 Use of Appendices

None.

9 Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

Report for: Environment and Community Safety Scrutiny Panel, 13th
September 2018

Title: Membership and Terms of Reference

Report authorised by: Ayshe Simsek, Democratic Services and Scrutiny Manager

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Ward(s) affected: N/A

**Report for Key/
Non Key Decision:** N/A

1. Describe the issue under consideration

- 1.1 This report sets out the terms of reference and membership for Overview and Scrutiny and its panels for 2018/19

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 The Committee is asked to:
- (a) Note the terms of reference (Appendix A), Protocol (Appendix B) for the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.
- (b) Approve the terms of reference/policy areas and membership for each Scrutiny Panel for 2017/18 (Appendix C)

3. Reasons for decision

- 3.1 The terms of reference and membership of the scrutiny panels above need to be noted at the first meeting of each municipal year.

4. Overview and Scrutiny Committee

- 4.1 As agreed by Annual Council on 24 May, the membership of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee for 2018/19 is:
Cllr Lucia Das Neves (Chair);
Cllr Pippa Connor (Vice-Chair);
Cllr Ruth Gordon;
Cllr Mahir Demir; and
Cllr Adam Jogee.
- 4.2 The Committee shall also include statutory education representatives, who shall have voting rights solely on education matters.

4.3 The terms of reference and role of the OSC is set out in Part Two (Article 6), Part Three (Section B) and Part Four (Section G) of the Council’s Constitution. Together, these specify key responsibilities for the Committee. This information is provided in full at Appendix A.

4.4 There is also a Protocol, outside the Constitution and provided at Appendix B, that sets out how the OSC is to operate.

5. Scrutiny Panels

5.1 Article 6 of the Constitution states the OSC shall appoint Scrutiny Panels in order to discharge the Overview and Scrutiny role.

5.2 The specific functions for any Scrutiny Panels established is outlined in Article 6 of the Constitution at 6.3 (b) and 6.3 (c). The procedure by which this operates is detailed in the Scrutiny Protocol:

- The OSC shall establish four standing Scrutiny Panels, to examine designated public services.
- The OSC shall determine the terms of reference for each Scrutiny Panel.
- If there is any overlap between the business of the Panels, it is the responsibility of the OSC to resolve the issue.
- Areas which are not covered by the four standing Scrutiny Panels shall be the responsibility of the main OSC.
- The Chair of each Scrutiny Panel shall be a member of the OSC, as determined by the OSC at its first meeting.
- It is intended that each Scrutiny Panel shall be comprised of between 3 and 7 backbench or opposition members, and be politically propionate as far as possible.
- Each Scrutiny Panel shall be entitled to appoint up to three non-voting co-optees. The Children and Young People’s Scrutiny Panel membership will include the statutory education representatives of OSC.

5.3 The suggested 2018/19 membership for the four Scrutiny Panels is listed below.

Scrutiny Panel	Membership
Adults and Health	Cllrs Connor (Chair), da Costa, Hakata, James, Opoku, Peacock and Say.
Children and Young People	Cllrs Demir (Chair), Dixon, Palmer, Carlin, Chiriyankandath, Davies and Moyeed.
Environment and Community Safety	Cllr Jogee(Chair), Amin, Culverwell, Emery, Ogiehor, Rice and White.
Housing and Regeneration	Cllr Gordon (Chair), Barnes, Diakides, Hare, Say, Stone and Williams.
All Councillors (except Members of the Cabinet) may be members of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and the Scrutiny Review Panels. However, no Member may be involved in scrutinising a decision in which he/she has been directly involved.	

5.4 The policy areas to be covered by the four existing Scrutiny Panels have been, together with the relevant Portfolio holders for each scrutiny body, is attached at Appendix C.

6. Contribution to strategic outcomes

6.1 The contribution scrutiny can make to strategic outcomes will be considered as part of its routine work.

7. Statutory Officers Comments

Finance and Procurement

7.1 The Chief Finance Officer has confirmed the Haringey representatives on the JHOSC are not entitled to any remuneration. As a result, there are no direct financial implications arising from the recommendations set out in this report.

7.2 Should any of the work undertaken by Overview and Scrutiny generate recommendations with financial implications then these will be highlighted at that time.

Legal

7.3 The Assistant Director for Corporate Governance has been consulted on the contents of this report.

7.4 Under Section 21 (6) of the Local Government Act 2000, an Overview and Scrutiny Committee has the power to appoint one or more sub-committee to discharge any of its functions. The establishment of Scrutiny Panels by the Committee falls within this power and is in accordance with the requirements of the Council's Constitution.

7.5 Scrutiny Panels are non-decision making bodies and the work programme and any subsequent reports and recommendations that each scrutiny panel produces must be approved by the OSC. Such reports can then be referred to Cabinet or Council under agreed protocols.

Equality

7.7 The Council has a public sector equality duty under the Equalities Act (2010) to have due regard to:

- Tackle discrimination and victimisation of persons that share the characteristics protected under S4 of the Act. These include the characteristics of age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex (formerly gender) and sexual orientation;
- Advance equality of opportunity between people who share those protected characteristics and people who do not;

- Foster good relations between people who share those characteristics and people who do not.

7.8 The proposals outlined in this report relate to the membership and terms of reference for the OSC and carry no direct implications for the Council's general equality duty. However, the Committee should ensure that it addresses these duties by considering them within its work programme and those of its panels, as well as individual pieces of work. This should include considering and clearly stating;

- How policy issues impact on different groups within the community, particularly those that share the nine protected characteristics;
- Whether the impact on particular groups is fair and proportionate;
- Whether there is equality of access to services and fair representation of all groups within Haringey;
- Whether any positive opportunities to advance equality of opportunity and/or good relations between people, are being realised.

7.9 The Committee should ensure that equalities comments are based on evidence. Wherever possible this should include demographic and service level data and evidence of residents/service-users views gathered through consultation.

8. Use of Appendices

Appendix A Part Two (Article 6), Part Three (Section B), and Part Four (Section G) of the Constitution of the London Borough of Haringey.

Appendix B Scrutiny Protocol

Appendix C Overview & Scrutiny Remits and Membership 2018/19

9. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

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APPENDIX A**PART TWO – ARTICLES OF THE CONSTITUTION**

Last updated 24 July 2017

Article 6 - Overview and Scrutiny**6.01 Terms of reference**

The Council will appoint an Overview and Scrutiny Committee to discharge the functions conferred by section 9F of the Local Government Act 2000, the Health & Social Care Act 2001 and the NHS Reform & Health Professionals Act 2002.

6.02. General role

Within its terms of reference, the Overview and Scrutiny Committee may:

- (a) Exercise an overview of the forward plan;
- (b) Review or scrutinise decisions made or actions taken in connection with the discharge of any of the Cabinet's or Council's functions;
- (c) Make reports and recommendations to the full Council, the Cabinet or relevant non-Executive Committee in connection with the discharge of any functions;
- (d) Make reports or recommendations on matters affecting the area or its inhabitants;
- (e) Exercise the right to call-in, for reconsideration, key decisions made but not yet implemented by the Executive;
- (f) Receive the reports and recommendations of its commissioned Scrutiny Review Panels; and
- (g) In accordance with statutory regulations to review and scrutinise matters relating to the health service within the Authority's area and to make reports and recommendations thereon to local NHS bodies;
- (h) Enter into or appoint such joint overview and scrutiny committees that include the London Borough of Haringey and other boroughs for the purpose of responding to consultation by NHS bodies on proposals for substantial variation or development in the provision of health services as required by The Local Authority (Public Health, Health and Wellbeing Boards and Health Scrutiny) Regulations 2013.

6.03 Specific functions**(a) Scrutiny Review Panels.**

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee shall appoint Scrutiny Review Panels in order to discharge the Overview and Scrutiny role for designated public services and will co-ordinate their respective roles.

(b) Policy development and review.

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee and any Scrutiny Review Panels it may establish may:

- (i) Assist the Council and the Cabinet in the development of its budget and policy framework by in-depth analysis of policy issues;
- (ii) Conduct research, community and other consultation in the analysis of policy issues and possible options;
- (iii) Consider and implement mechanisms to encourage and enhance community participation in the development of policy options;
- (iv) Question members of the Cabinet and chief officers about their views on issues and proposals affecting the area; and
- (v) Liaise with other external organisations operating in the area, whether national, regional or local, to ensure that the interests of local people are enhanced by collaborative working.

(c) Scrutiny.

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee and any Scrutiny Review Panels it may establish may:

- (i) Review and scrutinise the decisions made by and performance of the Cabinet and Council officers both in relation to individual decisions and over time;
- (ii) Review and scrutinise the performance of the Council in relation to its policy objectives, performance targets and/or particular service areas;
- (iii) Question members of the Cabinet and chief officers about their decisions and performance, whether generally in comparison with service plans and targets over a period of time, or in relation to particular decisions, initiatives or projects;
- (iv) Make recommendations to the Cabinet or relevant non-executive Committee arising from the outcome of the scrutiny process;
- (v) Review and scrutinise the performance of other public bodies in the area and invite reports from them by requesting them to address the overview and scrutiny committee and local people about their activities and performance; and
- (vi) Question and gather evidence from any person (with their consent).

(d) Finance

Overview and Scrutiny Committee may exercise overall responsibility for the finances made available to them.

(e) Annual report.

Overview and Scrutiny Committee must report annually to full Council on their workings and make recommendations for future work programmes and amended working methods if appropriate.

6.04 Proceedings of Overview and Scrutiny Committee

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee and any Scrutiny Review Panels it may establish will conduct their proceedings in accordance with the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules set out in Part 4 of this Constitution.

6.05 Votes of No Confidence

The Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee or the Chair of a Scrutiny Review Panel shall cease to hold that office as a Scrutiny member if a vote of no confidence, of which notice appears on the agenda, is carried at the meeting of the relevant body. The responsibilities of that member shall be carried out by the relevant Vice-Chair until such time as a subsequent meeting of that body has been notified of the appointment of a replacement or the reappointment of the member concerned. In the event of all members of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee having been removed from office in this way at any time, Scrutiny functions shall in the interim be carried out by full Council.

PART THREE – RESPONSIBILITY FOR FUNCTIONS

SECTION B

Last updated 24 July 2017

SECTION 2 – COMMITTEES

The following shall be committees of the Council and they shall have the membership as described in the Appointments of Committees, Sub-Committees, Panels, etc (as approved by the Annual Meeting):

- 1. The Corporate Committee**
 - 2. Combined Pensions Committee and Board**
 - 3. Staffing and Remuneration Committee**
 - 4. Overview and Scrutiny Committee**
 - 5. Standards Committee**
 - 6. Alexandra Palace and Park Board**
 - 7. The Regulatory Committee**
 - 8. The Health and Wellbeing Board**
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4. Overview and Scrutiny Committee

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee may:

- (a) exercise an overview of the forward plan;
- (b) review or scrutinise decisions made or actions taken in connection with the discharge of any of the Cabinet's or Council's functions;
- (c) make reports and recommendations to the full Council, the Cabinet or relevant non-Executive Committee in connection with the discharge of any functions;
- (d) make reports or recommendations on matters affecting the area or its inhabitants;
- (e) exercise the right to call-in, for reconsideration, key decisions made but not yet implemented by the Cabinet;
- (f) receive the reports and recommendations of its Scrutiny Review Panels;
- (g) in accordance with statutory regulations to review and scrutinise matters relating to the health service and all NHS funded services within the Authority's

area and to make reports and recommendations thereon to local NHS and NHS funded bodies;

- (h) enter into or appoint such joint overview and scrutiny committees that include the London Borough of Haringey and other boroughs for the purpose of responding to consultation by NHS bodies on proposals for substantial variation or development in the provision of health services as required by The Local Authority (Public Health, Health and Wellbeing Boards and Health Scrutiny) Regulations 2013;
- (i) review or scrutinise decisions made, or other action taken, in connection with the discharge by the responsible partner authorities of their crime and disorder functions;
- (j) make reports or recommendations to the Cabinet or full Council where appropriate with respect to the discharge of the crime and disorder functions by the responsible partner authorities;
- (k) make arrangements which enable any councillor who is not a Committee member to refer any crime and disorder matter to the Committee under the Councillor Call for Action procedure; and
- (l) make arrangements which enable any councillor who is not a Committee member to refer to the Committee any local government matter which is relevant to the functions of the Committee under the Councillor Call for Action procedure.
- (m) there is a Protocol outside this Constitution setting out how the Overview and Scrutiny Committee is to operate. The Protocol shall be applied in a manner consistent with the Committee Procedure Rules in Part 4 and any issue on procedure at the meeting shall be subject to the ruling of the Chair. The Protocol can be amended by the written agreement of the Leaders of the Political Groups on the Council.
- (o) to appoint two representatives to the standing Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee for North Central London. (Since this appointment is for only two members to the Joint Committee, the "political proportionality" rules in the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 do not apply.)

SECTION 3 - SUB-COMMITTEES AND PANELS

The following bodies shall be created as Sub-Committees of the relevant Committee of the Council under which they are listed. Bodies described as "Panels" are Sub-Committees unless otherwise stated. Sub-Committees shall report to their parent bodies and they shall have the membership as described in the Appointments of Non-Executive Committees, Sub-Committees, Panels, etc as approved by the Annual Meeting.

2. Under Overview and Scrutiny Committee

2.1 Scrutiny Review Panels

- (a) To carry out scrutiny processes relevant to particular services as determined by Overview and Scrutiny Committee and within the parameters, protocols and procedures agreed by Overview and Scrutiny Committee for all Scrutiny Review Panels.
- (b) Within these scrutiny processes to request and receive submissions, information and answers to questions from Cabinet Members, officers and other senior employees of the Council, service users, external experts and relevant members of the public.
- (c) To refer the findings/recommendations in the form of a written report, with the approval of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, to The Cabinet and/or the Council as appropriate.

PART FOUR – RULES OF PROCEDURE
SECTION G – OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY PROCEDURE RULES

Last updated 21 July 2014

1. The arrangements for Overview and Scrutiny

1.1 The Council will have one Overview and Scrutiny Committee, which will have responsibility for all overview and scrutiny functions on behalf of the Council.

1.2 The terms of reference of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee will be:

- (i) The performance of all overview and scrutiny functions on behalf of the Council.
- (ii) The appointment of Scrutiny Review Panels, with membership that reflects the political balance of the Council.
- (iii) To determine the terms of reference of all Scrutiny Review Panels.
- (iv) To receive reports from local National Health Service bodies on the state of health services and public health in the borough area.
- (v) To enter into or appoint such joint overview and scrutiny committees that include the London Borough of Haringey and other boroughs for the purpose of responding to consultation by NHS bodies on proposals for substantial variation or development in the provision of health services as required by The Local Authority (Public Health, Health and Wellbeing Boards and Health Scrutiny) Regulations 2013.
- (vi) To monitor the effectiveness of the Council's Forward Plan.
- (vii) To receive all appropriate performance management and budget monitoring information.
- (viii) To approve a programme of future overview and scrutiny work so as to ensure that the Overview and Scrutiny Committee's and Scrutiny Review Panels' time is effectively and efficiently utilised;
- (ix) To consider all requests for call-in and decide whether to call-in a key decision, how it should be considered and whether to refer the decision to the Cabinet or to Council.
- (x) To monitor the effectiveness of the Call-in procedure.
- (xi) To review and scrutinise action taken by partner authorities in discharge of crime and disorder functions and to make reports and recommendations to Cabinet and Council on these.

- (xii) To make arrangements which enable any Councillor who is not a Committee Member to refer any local government matter, or any crime and disorder matter, to the Committee under the Councillor Call for Action Procedure.
- (xiii) To ensure that referrals from Overview and Scrutiny Committee to the Cabinet either by way of report or call-in are managed efficiently, and
- (xiv) To ensure community and voluntary sector organisations, users of services and others are appropriately involved in giving evidence to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee or relevant Scrutiny Review Panel.

1.3 The Overview and Scrutiny Committee may establish a number of Scrutiny Review Panels:

- (i) Scrutiny Reviews Panels are appointed to examine designated Council services. Scrutiny Review Panels will refer their findings/ recommendations in the form of a written report, with the approval of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, to the Cabinet and/or the Council as appropriate.
- (ii) Scrutiny Review Panels will analyse submissions, request and analyse any additional information, and question the Cabinet Member(s), relevant Council officers, local stakeholders, and where relevant officers and/or board members of local NHS bodies or NHS funded bodies.
- (iii) Subject to the approval of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, Scrutiny Review Panels will be able to appoint external advisors and/or to commission specific pieces of research if this is deemed necessary.
- (iv) Scrutiny Review Panels should make every effort to work by consensus; however, in exceptional circumstances Members may submit minority reports.
- (v) Prior to publication, draft reports will be sent to the relevant chief officers or where relevant officers of the National Health Service for checking for inaccuracies and the presence of exempt and/or confidential information; Scrutiny Review Panel members will revisit any conclusions drawn from disputed information;
- (vi) Following approval by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, final reports and recommendations will be presented to the next available Cabinet meeting together with an officer report where appropriate. The Cabinet will consider the reports and formally agree their decisions.
- (vii) Following approval by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, reports on NHS, non-executive or regulatory matters will be copied to the Cabinet for information.

- (viii) At the Cabinet meeting to receive the final report and recommendations, the Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee or the Chair of the Scrutiny Review Panel may attend and speak.
- (ix) After an appropriate period, post implementation, Overview and Scrutiny Committee will carry out a follow up review to determine if the recommendations had the intended outcomes and to measure any improvements.

- 1.4 When Scrutiny Review Panels report on non-executive or regulatory functions the above rules apply, except the references to The Cabinet shall be taken as reference to the relevant non-executive body.
- 1.5 The Overview and Scrutiny Committee shall undertake scrutiny of the Council's budget through a Budget Scrutiny process. The procedure by which this operates is detailed in the Protocol covering the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.
- 1.6 All Overview and Scrutiny meetings shall take place in public (except where exempt or confidential matters are considered).
- 1.7 The Overview and Scrutiny function should not be seen as an alternative to established disciplinary, audit or complaints mechanisms and should not interfere with or pre-empt their work.

2. Membership of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and Scrutiny Review Panels

- 2.1 All Councillors (except Members of the Cabinet) may be members of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and the Scrutiny Review Panels. However, no Member may be involved in scrutinising a decision in which he/she has been directly involved.
- 2.2 The membership of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and Scrutiny Review Panels shall, as far as is practicable, be in proportion to the representation of different political groups on the Council.

3. Co-optees

- 3.1 Each Scrutiny Review Panel shall be entitled to appoint up to three people as non-voting co-optees.
- 3.2 Statutory voting non-Councillor members of Overview and Scrutiny Committee will be paid an allowance in accordance with the Members' Allowances Scheme in Part 6 of this Constitution.

4. Education representatives

- 4.1 The Overview and Scrutiny Committee and the Scrutiny Review Panel whose terms of reference relate to education functions that are the responsibility of the Cabinet, shall include in its membership the following representatives:

- (i) At least one Church of England diocesan representative (voting).
- (ii) At least one Roman Catholic diocesan representative (voting).
- (iii) 2 parent governor representatives (voting).

These voting representatives will be entitled to vote where the Overview and Scrutiny Committee or the Scrutiny Review Panel is considering matters that relate to relevant education functions. If the Overview and Scrutiny Committee or Scrutiny Review Panel is dealing with other matters, these representatives shall not vote on those matters though they may stay in the meeting and speak at the discretion of the Chair. The Overview and Scrutiny Committee and Scrutiny Review Panel will attempt to organise its meetings so that relevant education matters are grouped together.

5. Meetings of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and Scrutiny Review Panels

- 5.1 In addition to ordinary meetings of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, extraordinary meetings may be called from time to time as and when appropriate. An Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting may be called by the Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee after consultation with the Chief Executive, by any two Members of the Committee or by the proper officer if he/she considers it necessary or appropriate.
- 5.2 In addition to ordinary meetings of the Scrutiny Review Panels, extraordinary meetings may be called from time to time as and when appropriate. A Scrutiny Review Panel meeting may be called by the Chair of the Panel after consultation with the Chief Executive, by any two Members of the Committee or by the proper officer if he/she considers it necessary or appropriate.

6. Quorum

The quorum for the Overview Scrutiny Committee and for each Scrutiny Review Panel shall be at least one quarter of its membership and not less than 3 voting members.

7. Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and Scrutiny Review Panels

- 7.1 The Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee will be appointed by the Council.
- 7.2 The Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee shall resign with immediate effect if a vote of no confidence is passed by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.
- 7.3 Chairs of Scrutiny Review Panels will be drawn from among the Councillors sitting on the Overview and Scrutiny Committee. Subject to this requirement,

the Overview and Scrutiny Committee may appoint any person as it considers appropriate as Chair having regard to the objective of cross-party chairing in proportion to the political balance of the Council. The Scrutiny Review Panels shall not be able to change the appointed Chair unless there is a vote of no confidence as outlined in Article 6.5 in this Constitution.

- 7.4 The Chair of the Budget Scrutiny Review process will be drawn from among the opposition party Councillors sitting on the Overview and Scrutiny Committee. The Overview and Scrutiny Committee shall not be able to change the appointed Chair unless there is a vote of no confidence as outlined in Article 6.5 in this Constitution.

8. Work programme

Overview and Scrutiny Committee will determine the future scrutiny work programme and will establish Scrutiny Review Panels to assist it to perform its functions. The Committee will appoint a Chair for each Scrutiny Review Panel.

9. Agenda items for the Overview and Scrutiny Committee

- 9.1 Any member of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee shall be entitled to give notice to the proper officer that he/she wishes an item relevant to the functions of the Committee to be included on the agenda for the next available meeting of the Committee. On receipt of such a request the proper officer will ensure that it is included on the next available agenda.
- 9.2 The Overview and Scrutiny Committee shall also respond, as soon as its work programme permits, to requests from the Council and, if it considers it appropriate, from the Cabinet to review particular areas of Council activity. Where they do so, the Overview and Scrutiny Committee shall report their findings and any recommendations back to the Cabinet within an agreed timescale.

10. Policy review and development

- 10.1 The role of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee in relation to the development of the Council's budget and policy framework is set out in the Budget and Policy Framework Procedure Rules in Part 4 of this constitution.
- 10.2 In relation to the development of the Council's approach to other matters not forming part of its policy and budget framework, the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and its Scrutiny Review Panels may make proposals to the Cabinet for developments insofar as they relate to matters within their terms of reference. The Scrutiny Review Panels must do so via the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

11. Reports from the Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Following endorsement by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, final reports and recommendations will be presented to the next available Cabinet meeting. The procedure to be followed is set out in paragraphs 1.3 or 1.4 above.

12. Making sure that overview and scrutiny reports are considered by the Cabinet

12.1 The agenda for Cabinet meetings shall include an item entitled 'Issues arising from Scrutiny'. Reports of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee referred to the Cabinet shall be included at this point in the agenda unless either they have been considered in the context of the Cabinet's deliberations on a substantive item on the agenda or the Cabinet gives reasons why they cannot be included and states when they will be considered.

12.2 Where the Overview and Scrutiny Committee prepares a report for consideration by the Cabinet in relation to a matter where decision making power has been delegated to an individual Cabinet Member, a Committee of the Cabinet, an Area Committee, or an Officer, or under Joint Arrangements, then the Overview and Scrutiny Committee will also submit a copy of their report to that body or individual for consideration, and a copy to the proper officer. If the Member, committee, or officer with delegated decision making power does not accept the recommendations of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, then the body/he/she must then refer the matter to the next appropriate meeting of the Cabinet for debate before making a decision.

13. Rights and powers of Overview and Scrutiny Committee members

13.1 Rights to documents

(i) In addition to their rights as Councillors, members of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and Scrutiny Review Panels have the additional right to documents, and to notice of meetings as set out in the Access to Information Procedure Rules in Part 4 of this Constitution.

(ii) Nothing in this paragraph prevents more detailed liaison between the Cabinet and the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and Scrutiny Review Panels as appropriate depending on the particular matter under consideration.

13.2 Powers to conduct enquiries

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee and Scrutiny Review Panels may hold enquiries into past performance and investigate the available options for future direction in policy development and may appoint advisers and assessors to assist them in these processes. They may go on site visits, conduct public surveys, hold public meetings, commission research and do all other things that they reasonably consider necessary to inform their deliberations, within available resources. They may ask witnesses to attend to address them on any matter under consideration and may pay any

advisers, assessors and witnesses a reasonable fee and expenses for doing so. Scrutiny Review Panels require the support of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee to do so.

13.3 Power to require Members and officers to give account

- (i) The Overview and Scrutiny Committee and Scrutiny Review Panels may scrutinise and review decisions made or actions taken in connection with the discharge of any Council functions (Scrutiny Review Panels will keep to issues that fall within their terms of reference). As well as reviewing documentation, in fulfilling the scrutiny role, it may require any Member of the Cabinet, the Head of Paid Service and/or any senior officer (at second or third tier), and chief officers of the local National Health Service to attend before it to explain in relation to matters within their remit:
 - (a) any particular decision or series of decisions;
 - (b) the extent to which the actions taken implement Council policy (or NHS policy, where appropriate); and
 - (c) their performance.

It is the duty of those persons to attend if so required. At the discretion of their Director, council officers below third tier may attend, usually accompanied by a senior manager. At the discretion of the relevant Chief Executive, other NHS officers may also attend overview and scrutiny meetings.

- (ii) Where any Member or officer is required to attend the Overview and Scrutiny Committee or Scrutiny Review Panel under this provision, the Chair of that body will inform the Member or proper officer. The proper officer shall inform the Member or officer in writing giving at least 10 working days notice of the meeting at which he/she is required to attend. The notice will state the nature of the item on which he/she is required to attend to give account and whether any papers are required to be produced for the Overview and Scrutiny Committee or Scrutiny Review Panel. Where the account to be given to Overview and Scrutiny Committee or Scrutiny Review Panel will require the production of a report, then the Member or officer concerned will be given sufficient notice to allow for preparation of that documentation.
- (iii) Where, in exceptional circumstances, the Member or officer is unable to attend on the required date, then the Overview and Scrutiny Committee or Scrutiny Review Panel shall in consultation with the Member or officer arrange an alternative date for attendance, to take place within a maximum of 10 days from the date of the original request.

14. Attendance by others

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee or Scrutiny Review Panel may invite people other than those people referred to in paragraph 13 above to address it, discuss issues of local concern and/or answer questions. It may for example wish to hear from residents, stakeholders and Members and officers in other parts of the public sector and may invite such people to attend. Attendance is optional.

15. Call-in

The call-in procedure is dealt with separately at Part 4 Section H of the Constitution, immediately following these Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules.

16. Councillor Call for Action (CCfA)

The Council has adopted a Protocol for handling requests by non-Committee Members that the Committee should consider any local government matter which is a matter of significant community concern. This procedure should only be a last resort once the other usual methods for resolving local concerns have failed. Certain matters such as individual complaints and planning or licensing decisions are excluded.

Requests for a CCfA referral should be made to the Democratic Services Manager. who will check with the Monitoring Officer that the request falls within the Protocol. The Councillor making the referral will be able to attend the relevant meeting of the Committee to explain the matter. Among other actions, the Committee may: (i) make recommendations to the Cabinet, Directors or partner agencies, (ii) ask officers for a further report, (iii) ask for further evidence from the Councillor making the referral, or (iv) decide to take no further action on the referral.

The Protocol is not included within this Constitution but will be subject to regular review by the Committee.

17. Procedure at Overview and Scrutiny Committee meetings and meetings of the Scrutiny Review Panels.

- (a) The Overview and Scrutiny Committee shall consider the following business as appropriate:
 - (i) apologies for absence;
 - (ii) urgent business;
 - (iii) declarations of interest;
 - (iv) minutes of the last meeting;
 - (v) deputations and petitions;

- (vi) consideration of any matter referred to the Committee for a decision in relation to call-in of a key decision;
 - (vii) responses of the Cabinet to reports of the Committee;
 - (viii) business arising from Area Committees;
 - (ix) the business otherwise set out on the agenda for the meeting.
- (b) A Scrutiny Review Panel shall consider the following business as appropriate:
- (i) minutes of the last meeting;
 - (ii) declarations of interest;
 - (iii) the business otherwise set out on the agenda for the meeting.
- (c) Where the Overview and Scrutiny Committee or Scrutiny Review Panel has asked people to attend to give evidence at meetings, these are to be conducted in accordance with the following principles:
- (i) that the investigation be conducted fairly and all members of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and Scrutiny Review Panels be given the opportunity to ask questions of attendees, to contribute and to speak;
 - (ii) that those assisting the Overview and Scrutiny Committee or Scrutiny Review Panel by giving evidence be treated with respect and courtesy;
 - (iii) that the investigation be conducted so as to maximise the efficiency of the investigation or analysis; and
 - (iv) that reasonable effort be made to provide appropriate assistance with translation or alternative methods of communication to assist those giving evidence.
- (d) Following any investigation or review, the Overview and Scrutiny Committee or Scrutiny Review Panel shall prepare a report, for submission to the Cabinet and shall make its report and findings public.

17A. Declarations Of Interest Of Members

- (a) If a member of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee or Scrutiny Review Panel has a disclosable pecuniary interest or a prejudicial interest as referred to in Members' Code of Conduct in any matter under consideration, then the member shall declare his or her interest at the start of the meeting or as soon as the interest becomes apparent. The member may not participate or participate further in any

discussion of the matter or participate in any vote or further vote taken on the matter at the meeting and must withdraw from the meeting until discussion of the relevant matter is concluded unless that member has obtained a dispensation from the Council's Standards Committee.

- (b) If a member of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee or Scrutiny Review Panel has a personal interest which is not a disclosable pecuniary interest nor a prejudicial interest, the member is under no obligation to make a disclosure at the meeting but may do so if he/she wishes.

18. The Party Whip

Scrutiny is intended to operate outside the party whip system. However, when considering any matter in respect of which a Member of scrutiny is subject to a party whip the Member must declare the existence of the whip and the nature of it before the commencement of the Committee/Panel's deliberations on the matter. The Declaration, and the detail of the whipping arrangements, shall be recorded in the minutes of the meeting.

The expression "party whip" can be taken to mean: "Any instruction given by or on behalf of a political group to any Councillor who is a Member of that group as to how that Councillor shall speak or vote on any matter before the Council or any committee or sub-committee, or the application or threat to apply any sanction by the group in respect of that Councillor should he/she speak or vote in any particular manner."

19. Matters within the remit of more than one Scrutiny Review Panel

Should there be any overlap between the business of any Scrutiny Review Panels, the Overview and Scrutiny Committee is empowered to resolve the issue.

Appendix B

PROTOCOL COVERING OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE (OSC)

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 A key objective of Haringey's Governance Review 2010/11 was to ensure that the Overview and Scrutiny function can help the Council to make key decisions and develop policy in a useful and effective manner.
- 1.2 The Terms of Reference for the OSC is stated in the Council's Constitution (Part 3 Section C). The purpose of this protocol is to set out in detail the process by which the OSC will function.
- 1.3 This document will be subject to regular review along with other governance arrangements, to ensure that it remains updated in the light of experience.

2. AIMS OF THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

- 2.1 To provide a framework within which the work of the Council can be scrutinised in a constructive way that adds value to the Council's performance.
- 2.2 To help the Council to achieve its objectives by identifying areas for achieving excellence, and to carry out a scrutiny which identifies what needs to be done to improve the situation.
- 2.3 Not to duplicate work carried out by the Council, but provide an objective view of what needs to be done to improve the quality and cost effectiveness of services provided to local people.

3. RESPONSIBILITIES

- 3.1 The OSC can scrutinise any matter which affects the authority's area or its residents' wellbeing.
- 3.2 The Local Government Act 2000, the Health and Social Care Act 2001, the Local Government & Public Involvement in Health Act 2007, and the Police and Justice Act 2006 give the OSC the power to:
 - (i) Review and scrutinise decisions made or actions taken in connection with the discharge of any of the functions of the Executive or Full Council;
 - (ii) Review and scrutinise local NHS-funded services, and to make recommendations to reduce health inequalities in the local community;
 - (iii) Review and scrutinise Crime Reduction Partnerships;¹
 - (iv) Make reports and recommendations on any issue affecting the authority's area, to the Full Council, its Committees or Sub-Committees, the Executive, or other appropriate external body;
 - (v) "Call In" for reconsideration a decision made by the Executive;

¹ Section 19 of the Police and Justice Act 2006

- (vi) Require information from relevant partner authorities;²
- (vii) Give notice to a relevant partner authority that they must have regard to scrutiny reports and recommendations on any local improvement targets.³

- 3.3 Scrutiny recommendations shall be responded to by the appropriate body within 2 months of receiving the recommendations.⁴ Where a response is requested from NHS-funded bodies, the response shall be made within 28 days.⁵
- 3.4 The OSC shall be responsible for scrutinising the draft Treasury Management Strategy Statement (TMSS) annually before its adoption by full Council, in accordance with the Council's Constitution (Part 4 Section I).
- 3.5 The OSC shall respond to a Councillor Call for Action (CCfA) referral, which will be handled in accordance with the Council's Constitution (Part 4 Section G).

Scrutiny Review Panels

- 3.6 The Overview and Scrutiny Committee shall establish 4 standing Scrutiny Review Panels, to examine designated public services.
- 3.7 The Overview and Scrutiny Committee shall determine the terms of reference of each Scrutiny Review Panel. If there is any overlap between the business of the Panels, it is the responsibility of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee to resolve this issue.
- 3.8 Areas which are not covered by the 4 standing Scrutiny Review Panels shall be the responsibility of the main Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

4. MEMBERSHIP AND CHAIR

- 4.1 The Overview and Scrutiny Committee shall comprise 5 members, and be politically proportionate as far as possible. The Committee shall also comprise statutory education representatives, who shall have voting rights solely on education matters. The membership shall be agreed by the Group Leaders, Chief Executive and Monitoring Officer, and ratified each year at the Annual Council Meeting.
- 4.2 The chair of the OSC shall be a member of the majority group. The vice-chair shall be a member of the largest minority group. These appointments shall be ratified each year at the Annual Council Meeting.

Scrutiny Review Panels

- 4.3 The chair of each Scrutiny Review Panel shall be a member of the OSC, and shall be determined by the OSC at their first meeting.

² Section 121 of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007

³ Section 122(21C) of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act

⁴ Ibid section 122 (21B)

⁵ Regulation 3 of Local Authority (Overview and Scrutiny Committees Health Scrutiny Functions) Regulations 2002

- 4.4 It is intended that each Scrutiny Review Panel shall be comprised of between 3 and 7 members, and be politically proportionate as far as possible. It is intended that other than the chair, the other members are non-executive members who do not sit on the OSC.
- 4.5 Each Scrutiny Review Panel shall be entitled to appoint up to three non-voting co-optees.
- 4.6 If there is a Children and Young People's Scrutiny Review Panel, the membership shall include the statutory education representatives of OSC. It is intended that the education representatives would also attend the Overview and Scrutiny Committee meetings where reports from a relevant Scrutiny Review Panel are considered.

5. MEETING FREQUENCY AND FORMAT

- 5.1 The intention is that OSC shall hold 6 scheduled meetings each year. One meeting, at the start of the civic year, shall agree the annual work programme of the OSC. One meeting, in January, shall consider the budget scrutiny reports from each Scrutiny Review Panel. The remaining meetings shall undertake the work programme and consider the reports from the Scrutiny Review Panels.
- 5.2 An extraordinary meeting of the OSC may be called in accordance with the Council's Constitution (Part 4 Section G).
- 5.3 The agenda and papers for OSC shall be circulated to all members and relevant partners at least 5 clear days before the meeting.
- 5.4 There shall be a standing item on OSC meeting agendas to receive feedback from Area Committees. Area Committee Chairs shall be able to attend OSC meetings, and ask questions.
- 5.5 Members of the Council may Call In a decision of the Executive, or any Key Decision made under delegated powers, within 5 working days of the decision being made. The full procedure is given in the Council's Constitution (Part 4 Section H).
- 5.6 Pre-decision scrutiny on forthcoming Cabinet decisions shall only be undertaken at scheduled OSC meetings, in adherence with the Council's Forward Plan.

Scrutiny Review Panels

- 5.7 It is intended that each Scrutiny Review Panel shall hold 4 scheduled meetings each year.
- 5.8 An extraordinary meeting of a Scrutiny Review Panel may be called in accordance with the Council's Constitution (Part 4 Section G).
- 5.9 The agenda and papers for Scrutiny Review Panels shall be circulated to all members and relevant partners at least 5 clear days before the meeting.

6. PROCESS FOR CABINET INVOLVEMENT

- 6.1 The OSC shall develop recommendations for arrangements to focus its resources and time available on effective scrutiny of the Cabinet, within the guidance of this protocol. It is not intended that this will include submitting written questions to Cabinet members, in advance of an OSC meeting. The recommended arrangements shall be jointly discussed with the Cabinet prior to the first meeting of OSC.
- 6.2 The Leader of the Council and Chief Executive shall be invited to OSC once a year, at the meeting when the Committee's work programme is set. This shall be an opportunity to jointly discuss the Council's priorities for the next year.
- 6.3 The Leader/ Cabinet Member attending an OSC or Scrutiny Review Panel meeting may be accompanied and assisted by any service officers they consider necessary. The Member may invite an officer attending to answer a question on their behalf.

7. THE OSC WORK PROGRAMME

- 7.1 The Council's Policy, Intelligence and Partnerships Unit shall coordinate the work programme of the OSC at the beginning of each civic year.
- 7.2 Any partner, member or service user may suggest an item for scrutiny. The OSC shall have regard to all such suggestions when they decide their work programme.
- 7.3 The OSC and Scrutiny Review Panels are able to request reports from the following areas to enable its scrutiny role, which shall be identified in the OSC's work programme:
 - (i) **Performance Reports;**
 - (ii) **One off reports** on matters of national or local interest or concern;
 - (iii) Issues arising out of **internal and external assessment;**
 - (iv) Issues on which the Cabinet or officers would like **the Committee's views or support;**
 - (v) Reports on **strategies and policies** under development;
 - (vi) **Progress reports** on implementing previous scrutiny recommendations accepted by the Cabinet or appropriate Executive body.
- 7.4 In deciding their work programme for the year, the OSC and Scrutiny Review Panels shall determine how partnership bodies shall be scrutinised within the boundaries of scheduled meetings.

8. BUDGET SCRUTINY REVIEW

- 8.1 The budget shall be scrutinised by each Scrutiny Review Panel, in their respective areas. Their reports shall go to the OSC for approval. The areas of the budget which are not covered by the Scrutiny Review Panels shall be considered by the main OSC.
- 8.2 A lead OSC member from the largest opposition group shall be responsible for the co-ordination of the Budget Scrutiny process and recommendations made by respective Scrutiny Review Panels relating to the budget.
- 8.3 To allow the OSC to scrutinise the budget in advance of it formally being set and convey those recommendations to the Cabinet, the following timescale is suggested:
- **Scrutiny Review Panel Meetings: May to November**
Each Scrutiny Review Panel shall undertake budget scrutiny in their respective areas, to be overseen by the lead member referred to in paragraph 9.2. Between May and November, this shall involve scrutinising the 3-year Medium Term Financial Plan approved at the budget-setting full Council meeting in February.
 - **Cabinet report on the new 3-year Medium Term Financial Plan to members of the OSC: December**
The Cabinet shall release their report on the new 3-year Medium Term Financial Plan to members of the OSC, following their meeting to agree the proposals in December.
 - **Scrutiny Review Panel Meetings: January**
Overseen by the lead member referred to in paragraph 9.2, each Scrutiny Review Panel shall hold a meeting following the release of the December Cabinet report on the new 3-year Medium Term Financial Plan. Each Panel shall consider the proposals in this report, for their respective areas, in addition to their budget scrutiny already carried out. The Scrutiny Review Panels may request that the Cabinet Member for Finance and Sustainability and/or Senior Officers attend these meetings to answer questions.
 - **OSC Meeting: January**
Each Scrutiny Review Panel shall submit their final budget scrutiny report to the OSC meeting in January containing their recommendations/proposal in respect of the budget for ratification by the OSC.
 - **Cabinet Meeting: February**
The recommendations from the Budget Scrutiny process, ratified by the OSC, shall be fed back to Cabinet. As part of the budget setting process, the Cabinet will clearly set out its response to the recommendations/proposals made by the OSC in relation to the budget.

Overview & Scrutiny Remits and Membership 2018/19

Scrutiny Body	Areas of Responsibility	Cabinet Links
<p>Overview & Scrutiny Committee</p> <p>Cllrs Das Neves (Chair), Connor (Vice Chair), Demir, Gordon, Jogee</p> <p>The Committee shall also comprise statutory education representatives, who shall have voting rights solely on education matters</p>	<p>Communications; Corporate policy and strategy; Council performance; External partnerships; Strategic transport; Growth and inward investment; Corporate governance; London Plan and NPPF Consultation; S106/CIL Policy</p>	<p>Cllr Ejiofor Leader of the Council</p>
	<p>Culture Customer Services; Customer Transformation Programme; Enforcement; Fairness Commission; Landlord Licensing; Licensing Policy and Delivery; Libraries; Leisure and leisure centres; Northumberland Park Resident Engagement</p>	<p>Cllr Brabazon Cabinet Member for Civic Services</p>
	<p>Council budget and MTFs; Capital Strategy; Commercial Partnerships; Council Tax Reform Agenda; Procurement</p>	<p>Cllr Berryman Cabinet Member for Finance</p>
	<p>Community buildings;</p>	<p>Cllr Mark Blake</p>

Scrutiny Body	Areas of Responsibility	Cabinet Links
	Equalities; Voluntary sector	Cabinet Member for Communities, Safety and Engagement
	Corporate programmes; Shared Digital; Shared Service Centre; Council HR & staff wellbeing; Corporate property & commercial portfolio; Insourcing policy and delivery	Cllr Noah Tucker Cabinet Member for Corporate Services and Insourcing
	Accommodation Strategy.	Cllr Adje Cabinet Member for Strategic Regeneration
Adults & Health Scrutiny Panel Cllrs Connor (Chair),	Adult Social Care; Public Health; Health devolution pilots; Mental health and well-being Working with CCG and NHS; Safeguarding adults; Adults with disabilities and additional needs	Cllr Ahmet Cabinet Member for Adults and Health
	Tackling unemployment and worklessness; Adult learning and skills	Cllr Adje Cabinet Member for Strategic Regeneration
Children & Young People Scrutiny Panel Cllrs Demir (Chair), plus the statutory education representatives of OSC	Schools and education; Safeguarding children; Child and Adolescent Mental Health; Early years and child care; Adoption and fostering; Looked-after children and care leavers; Children with disabilities and additional needs; Children to adult social care transition; Post 16 education	Cllr Weston, Cabinet Member for Children and Families
	Youth services; Combatting youth offending and re-offending	Cllr Mark Blake Cabinet Member for Communities, Safety and Engagement

Environment & Community Safety Scrutiny Panel Cllrs Jogee (Chair)	Air Quality; Carbon Management and Zero 50; Recycling, waste and street cleaning; Highways; Parking; Parks and open spaces; Sustainability; Transport Strategy Action Plan	Cllr Hearn Cabinet Member for Environment
	Community safety; Engagement with the Police; Prevent programme; Tackling anti-social behaviour; Violence Against Women and Girls	Cllr Mark Blake Cabinet Member for Communities, Safety and Engagement
Housing & Regeneration Scrutiny Panel Cllr Gordon (Chair)	Broadwater Farm Resident Engagement; Planning policy; Planning applications & development management; Building Regulations; Hackett Review; Health and Safety issues related to housing stock; Homelessness and rough sleeping; Housing Investment Programme; Housing strategy and development ; Partnerships with Homes for Haringey & social landlords	Cllr Ibrahim Cabinet Member for Housing and Estate Renewal
	Tottenham AAP; Town Centre Management; Wood Green AAP	Cllr Adje Cabinet Member for Strategic Regeneration
If there is any overlap between the business of the Panels, it is the responsibility of the OSC to resolve the issue. Areas which are not covered by the 4 standing Scrutiny Panels shall be the responsibility of the main OSC.		

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Report for: Environment and Community Safety Scrutiny Panel

Item number: 9

Title: Knife Crime and MOPAC Performance Overview (Haringey)

Report authorised by : David Murray, Assistant Director of Environment and Neighbourhoods

Lead Officer: Eubert Malcolm, Head of Community Safety & Enforcement

Ward(s) affected: Key crime wards

**Report for Key/
Non Key Decision:** Non key-decision

1. Describe the issue under consideration

- 1.1 This report should be read in conjunction with the presentation attached as Appendix A. The presentation shows Haringey's performance against the Mayor's (MOPAC) Police and Crime Plan (PCP) key priorities, including knife crime and firearms discharges.
- 1.2 The presentation outlines areas of concern and/or where performance is out of kilter with the London average. Other areas covered are critical locations and emerging problems. Officers will share mitigation ideas and key points at the Scrutiny Panel meeting.
- 1.3 Members should observe that Haringey is performing well in relation to knife injury victims. Reported levels of most hate crime categories have also reduced over the past 12 months. The borough is however performing less well in the areas of personal robbery, firearm discharges, sexual offences, domestic and non-domestic abuse violence with injury.

2. Cabinet Member Introduction

- 2.1 I am pleased to note that the partnership work that has taken place over the past year has continued to have a positive contribution to some of the key priority crime types, particularly knife crime injuries to young people. There are still a number of key areas, however, that are challenging for the borough and will require us to continue to work together to tackle, particularly around community confidence and satisfaction.
- 2.2 I look forward to sharing my thoughts and priorities with the Environment and Community Safety Scrutiny Panel and working with all partners to build on our good work and to address the challenges going forward. I also look forward to hearing from policing colleagues on their suggestions for approaches we can

take to reduce risk and harm, particularly for the most vulnerable members of our community.

3. Recommendations

- 3.1 That the Panel note the content of the Crime Performance Statistics pack, which highlights areas of challenge: These are: personal robbery, firearm discharges, sexual offences, domestic and non-domestic abuse violence with injury.

4. Reasons for decision

n/a

5. Alternative options considered

n/a

6. Background information

- 6.1 Haringey has a signed agreement with the Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime to contribute to tackling the Mayor's priority crimes. The agreement is accompanied by a grant of £518K for 2018/19 which is allocated across five areas: Drug treatment intervention to reduce reoffending; Integrated Offender Management; an integrated Gang Exit Programme; Advocacy and support to victims of domestic violence; Cross-borough support to ASB victims and witnesses (Haringey and Enfield).

- 6.2 The London Crime Prevention Fund was established in 2013, bringing together a number of funding streams that existed before MOPAC was set up. The Fund ran from 2013/14 to 2016/17 in line with the previous Police and Crime Plan. These arrangements subsequently ended on 31st March 2017.

In November 2016 the Mayor committed to continuing the LCPF budget over the next four years, (2017-2021) to prevent crime in London, maintaining recent levels of investment despite significant pressures on the policing budget.

- 6.3 A new approach to the LCPF has been introduced that safeguards and protects local community safety and preventative services while also enabling innovation through co-commissioning to collectively achieve more than would have otherwise been possible under the previous funding formula.

- 6.4 The new approach to the LCPF involves:

- Continuing the LCPF budget over the four year period, (2017/18 to 2020/21);
- Committing direct borough funding for two 2 year periods to afford boroughs greater flexibility in spending that funding;
- Uplifting funding for those boroughs which were previously allocated less than their share of LCPF in 2017/18 (according to an assessment of need and demand) then redistributing funding based entirely on a need and demand formula for the remaining three years of the fund (2018/19 to 2020/21);
- Apportioning the use of the LCPF budget between direct borough funding (70%) and funding for co-commissioning services (30%) over the course of 2018/19 to 2020/21.

6.5 Quarterly returns are required which give considerable detail about our expenditure and performance to date. Haringey has an excellent reputation for compliance on both fronts.

6.6 Performance monitoring occurs in between Community Safety Partnership board meetings and attendance includes the holders of KPIs, the budget holders and statutory partners such as the police.

7. **Contribution to strategic outcomes**

7.1 This work contributes to the Mayor of London's Policing and Crime Strategy; Haringey's Corporate Plan priority 3 and the Haringey Community Safety Strategy. It will also help to shape Haringey's forthcoming new Borough Plan, as well as the Violent Crime Action Plan and the refreshed Community Safety Strategy.

7.2 Officers and partners work strategically across related work areas and boards such as Youth Offending, Safeguarding Children and Adults, Health and Wellbeing, Tottenham Regeneration, Early Help and the Community Strategy.

8. **Statutory Officers comments (Chief Finance Officer (including procurement), Assistant Director of Corporate Governance, Equalities)**
n/a

Finance and Procurement

The reduction in MOPAC funding may potentially lead to capacity issues, however, this can be mitigated to some extent through the co-commissioning projects, of which Haringey will be involved in at least 2 projects and by realigning resources across the system to build capacity.

Legal

n/a

Equality

There is an inherent impact on equalities of much of our community safety work and this is presented and discussed at the Community Safety Partnership meetings. This includes the peak age of offending being between 16 and 24; a very high percentage of young black males (mostly of African-Caribbean origin) involved in gangs (approx. 80%); the impact of domestic and sexual violence on women and girls; high concentrations of crime occurring in areas of deprivation; and vulnerable individuals and communities becoming victims of hate crime.

This report considers the areas of challenge in direct correlation with the impact on victims, especially vulnerable victims. In this respect, significant attention is being given to the disproportionate impact.

9. **Use of Appendices**

1x Appendix A – Knife Crime and MOPAC Performance Overview pack

10. **Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985**

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Knife Crime and MOPAC Performance Overview

September 2018

Sources:

Except where noted, all data from Metropolitan Police Service (MPS) Website and MPS AWARE System, haringey.gov.uk and covers the period August 2016 to July 2018

Performance Overview

- The Mayor's Police and Crime Plan (2017-2021) has outlined key priorities for Haringey:

Mandatory High Harm Crimes:

- Sexual Violence
- Domestic Abuse
- Child Sexual Exploitation
- Weapon-Based Crime
- Hate Crime

Mandatory Volume Crime:

- Anti-Social Behaviour

Local Priorities:

- Robbery
- Non-Domestic Violence with Injury (VWI)

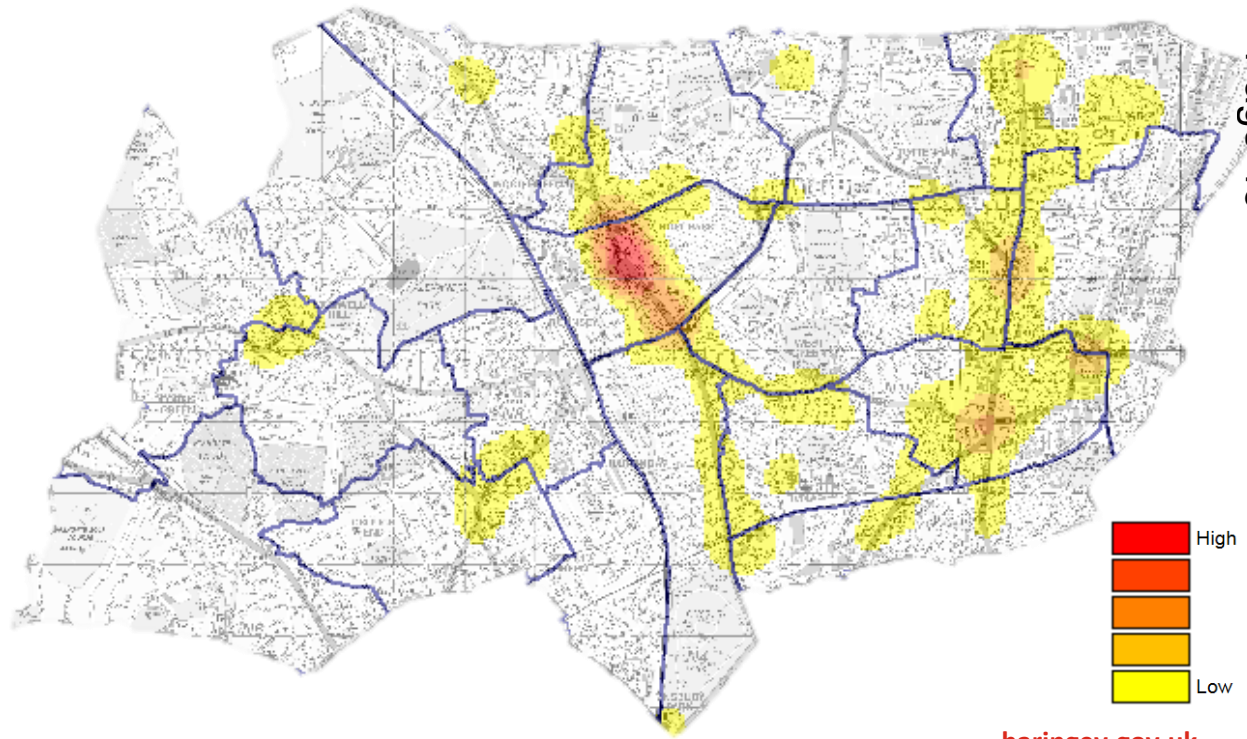
- Key focus on Violence, Vulnerability and Exploitation, whilst balancing response to volume crime
- Ranking tables show Haringey in the London context (No.1 indicates best performing borough)

Total Notifiable Offences

Borough	TNO	London Rank	Volume
Hackney	-5.4%	1	29985
Ealing	-1.1%	2	27930
Islington	-1.1%	3	30004
Croydon	-0.1%	4	30520
Greenwich	0.7%	5	25092
Merton	1.2%	6	13652
Lambeth	1.2%	7	35342
Tower Hamlets	1.5%	8	32466
Lewisham	1.8%	9	25312
Harrow	2.1%	10	14159
Barking and Dagenham	2.4%	11	18407
Richmond upon Thames	2.4%	12	12792
Sutton	2.8%	13	11919
Kensington and Chelsea	2.9%	14	21801
Bromley	2.9%	15	22810
Hillingdon	3.0%	16	24801
Waltham Forest	3.5%	17	22907
Barnet	4.1%	18	27518
Wandsworth	4.4%	19	26169
Havering	4.4%	20	18856
Hounslow	5.1%	21	25347
Hammersmith and Fulham	5.5%	22	22097
Haringey	5.7%	23	31114
Southwark	5.9%	24	35071
Bexley	6.2%	25	15080
Newham	6.8%	26	35610
Brent	8.2%	27	30818
Kingston upon Thames	8.3%	28	11842
Westminster	8.7%	29	59027
Camden	9.0%	30	37300
Redbridge	9.6%	31	23846
Enfield	10.6%	32	26775
London Total	3.9%		826369

Overall recorded crime in Haringey has increased by 6% in the 12 months to July 2018, compared to a London wide average increase of 4%.

The main hotspots are located around Wood Green High Road and around the A10 corridor, from Bruce Grove to Seven Sisters.



Hate Crime

- There has been a London wide trend of increased reports of some hate crime categories over the past year.
- Haringey has experienced an increase of 11 % in homophobic hate crime reports in the 12 months to July. London as a whole has seen an increase of 36% in this same category.
- Reductions have been recorded in the volume of hate crime reports for all other categories in Haringey.

	Haringey August 2016 – July 2017	Haringey August 2017 – July 2018	Haringey Change %	London Change %
Anti-Semitic Hate Crime	25	39	-2%	56%
Disability Hate Crime	20	27	-22%	35%
Faith Hate Crime	105	94	-10%	-10%
Homophobic Hate Crime	72	98	11%	36%
Islamophobic Hate Crime	62	48	-17%	-23%
Racist & Religious Hate Crime	690	663	-6%	-4%
Transgender Hate Crime	7	6	-5%	-14%

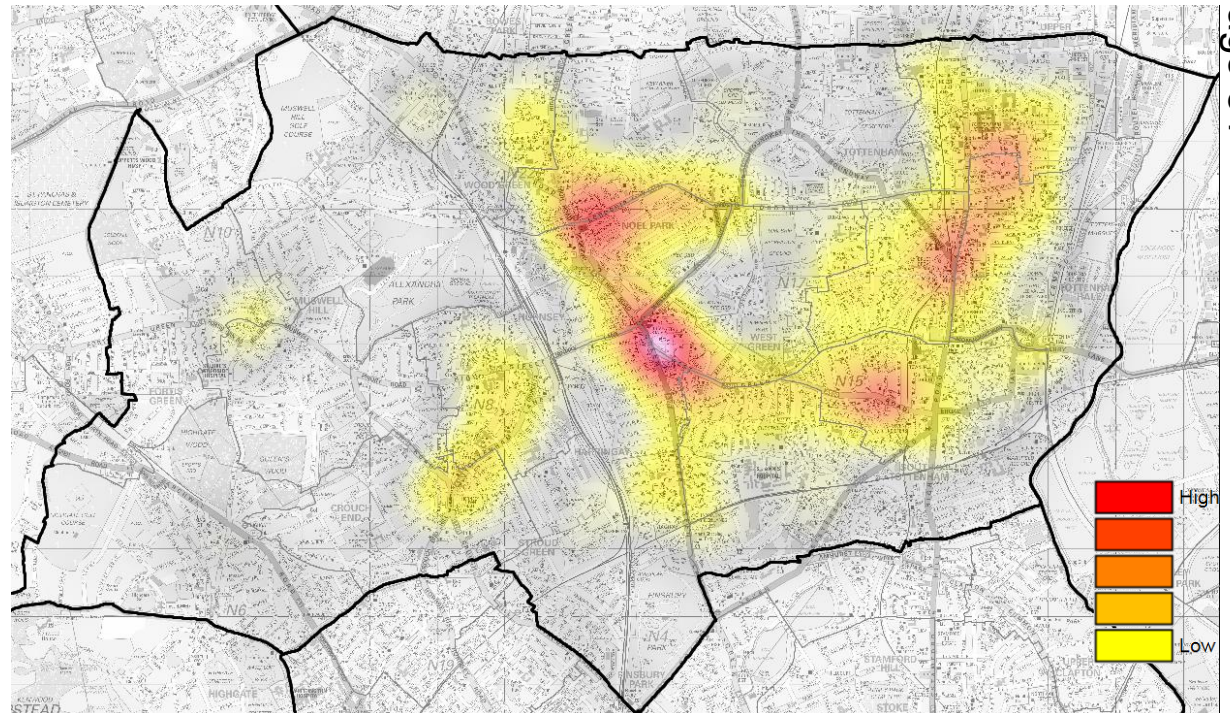
Domestic Abuse Violence with Injury

Borough	Domestic Abuse VWI	London Rank	Volume
Lewisham	-10.3%	1	967
Tower Hamlets	-9.0%	2	810
Hackney	-8.6%	3	757
Bromley	-8.4%	4	760
Croydon	-7.9%	5	1219
Bexley	-5.6%	6	552
Hammersmith and Fulham	-4.9%	7	488
Lambeth	-4.7%	8	921
Havering	-4.1%	9	677
Waltham Forest	-4.0%	10	745
Hounslow	-4.0%	11	869
Barnet	-3.4%	12	764
Kensington and Chelsea	-2.3%	13	342
Redbridge	-2.2%	14	655
Richmond upon Thames	-1.1%	15	350
Brent	-0.4%	16	933
Kingston upon Thames	-0.3%	17	318
Harrow	-0.2%	18	508
Hillingdon	1.4%	19	770
Merton	1.5%	20	484
Haringey	2.5%	21	993
Westminster	2.8%	22	586
Ealing	4.2%	23	951
Enfield	4.4%	24	926
Greenwich	4.5%	25	1013
Barking and Dagenham	6.9%	26	821
Newham	7.1%	27	1084
Islington	8.9%	28	707
Sutton	9.6%	29	493
Southwark	12.6%	30	1109
Wandsworth	14.5%	31	757
Camden	15.0%	32	597
London Total	0.0%		23926

- Domestic Abuse VWI in Haringey has increased by 2.5% in the 12 months to July 2018, compared to a London wide offending pattern that has remained stable.

- Offending takes place primarily in residential locations, with hotspots in Turnpike Lane, Wood Green and Bruce Grove.

- Over two-thirds of all reported Domestic Abuse VWI occurs to the East of the borough.



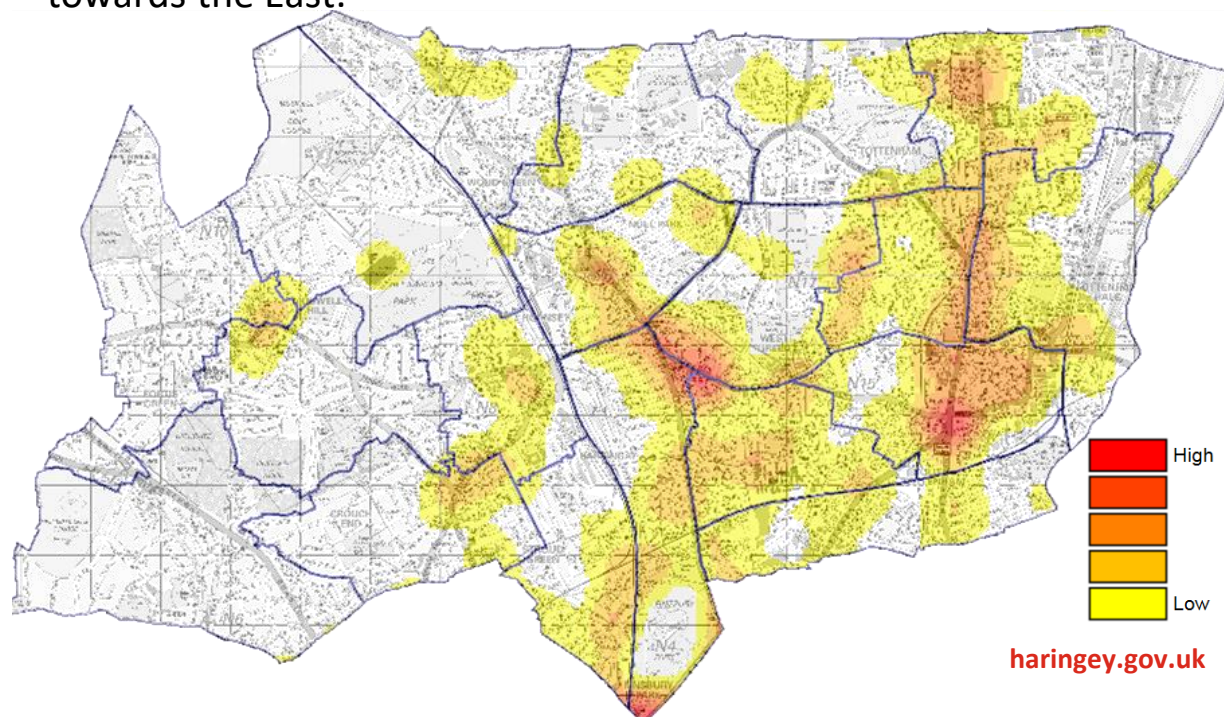
Sexual Offences

Borough	Sexual Offences	London Rank	Volume
Richmond upon Thames	-16.3%	1	293
Hammersmith and Fulham	-7.6%	2	435
Sutton	-6.9%	3	339
Hounslow	-3.9%	4	560
Lewisham	-3.5%	5	696
Bexley	-2.7%	6	403
Harrow	-0.3%	7	341
Redbridge	1.4%	8	563
Waltham Forest	2.9%	9	567
Hillingdon	3.3%	10	561
Croydon	5.6%	11	904
Wandsworth	8.0%	12	753
Hackney	8.4%	13	814
Barking and Dagenham	8.4%	14	514
Kensington and Chelsea	8.8%	15	395
Barnet	8.9%	16	662
Lambeth	11.2%	17	981
Enfield	11.6%	18	654
Brent	12.3%	19	729
Islington	13.1%	20	674
Ealing	13.4%	21	660
Greenwich	15.0%	22	730
Merton	15.1%	23	358
Camden	15.2%	24	772
Southwark	16.4%	25	922
Kingston upon Thames	16.6%	26	338
Tower Hamlets	19.2%	27	802
Bromley	20.4%	28	590
Havering	21.1%	29	483
Haringey	23.4%	30	769
Newham	26.0%	31	956
Westminster	31.7%	32	1254
London Total	10.5%		20472

Overall sexual offences in Haringey have increased by 23% in the 12 months to July 18, compared to a London wide average increase of 11%.

44% of sexual offences in Haringey are categorised in the most serious category of rape, which is slightly above the London wide average of 40%.

Offences are spread across entire borough, with more clustering towards the East.



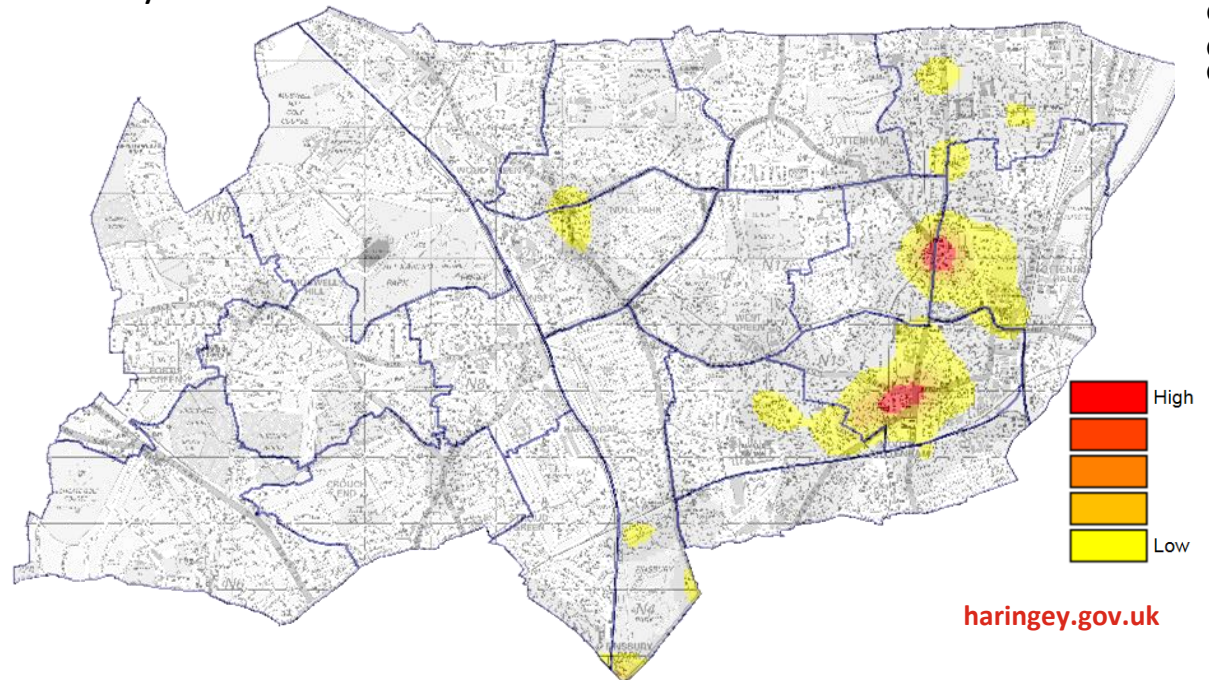
Personal Robbery

Borough	Personal Robbery	London Rank	Volume
Harrow	-19.6%	1	267
Croydon	-16.2%	2	1027
Bromley	-3.8%	3	475
Hackney	-2.9%	4	1308
Merton	8.1%	5	333
Tower Hamlets	10.0%	6	1474
Newham	11.0%	7	1910
Lewisham	11.2%	8	956
Southwark	11.9%	9	1662
Kensington and Chelsea	12.9%	10	665
Hillingdon	13.1%	11	501
Greenwich	13.3%	12	572
Enfield	15.3%	13	1058
Haringey	21.4%	14	1797
Westminster	21.7%	15	2543
Lambeth	21.9%	16	1501
Ealing	28.7%	17	826
Barnet	29.4%	18	665
Redbridge	32.0%	19	937
Bexley	32.5%	20	281
Barking and Dagenham	34.3%	21	830
Havering	38.0%	22	574
Hounslow	38.1%	23	547
Wandsworth	40.2%	24	833
Hammersmith and Fulham	41.3%	25	667
Kingston upon Thames	41.7%	26	197
Waltham Forest	44.2%	27	936
Sutton	46.2%	28	291
Islington	51.5%	29	1788
Camden	52.9%	30	1969
Brent	73.4%	31	1458
Richmond upon Thames	95.1%	32	281
London Total	22.6%		31129

Personal robbery has increased significantly in Haringey, by 21%, which is over 250 extra offences per year. London wide offending has also worsened, experiencing an increase of 23%.

Robbery of mobile phones has seen an increase of 8% in Haringey (620 in 12 months), compared to a London increase in this same category of 19%.

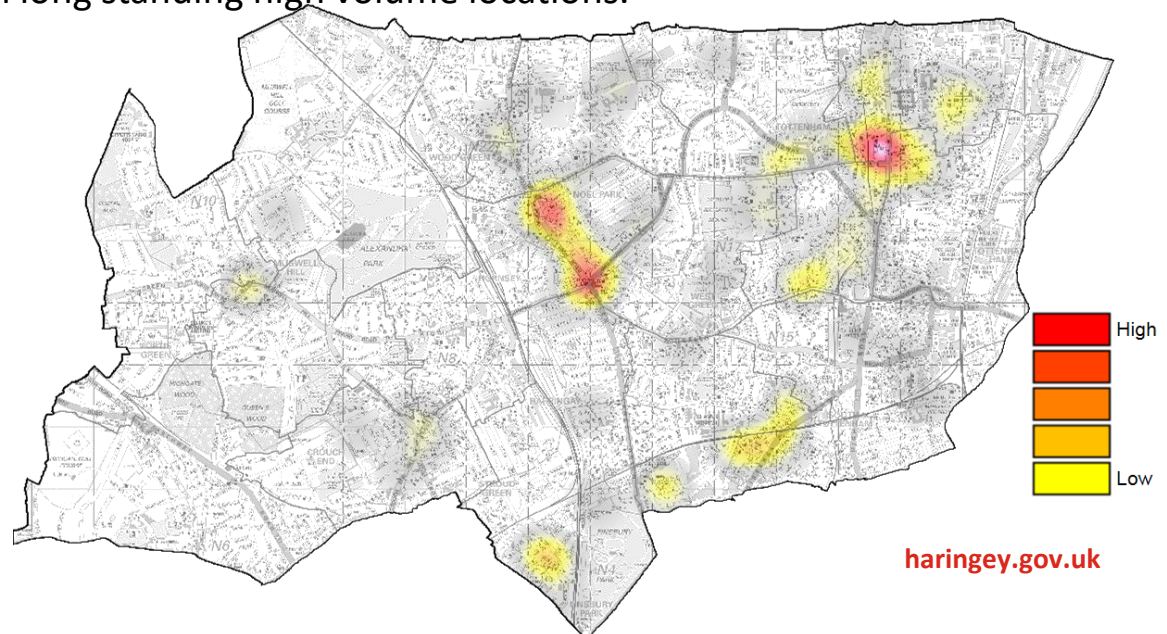
Moped enabled robbery volumes have reduced in recent months. The highest volumes have taken place in Islington, Camden and Hackney.



Knife Injury Victims

Borough	Knife Injury Victims	London Rank	Volume
Richmond upon Thames	-29.3%	1	29
Barking and Dagenham	-22.8%	2	105
Bexley	-17.2%	3	53
Sutton	-14.3%	4	48
Redbridge	-14.2%	5	127
Southwark	-13.6%	6	267
Hounslow	-13.2%	7	118
Haringey	-13.1%	8	192
Newham	-11.3%	9	220
Merton	-10.5%	10	51
Hackney	-10.1%	11	186
Barnet	-6.0%	12	109
Bromley	-5.9%	13	96
Croydon	-5.7%	14	197
Harrow	-5.7%	15	100
Islington	-5.6%	16	168
Lewisham	-4.0%	17	192
Lambeth	-1.4%	18	273
Brent	0.4%	19	231
Enfield	5.2%	20	183
Ealing	7.6%	21	169
Westminster	8.5%	22	179
Waltham Forest	8.5%	23	166
Kingston upon Thames	12.8%	24	44
Tower Hamlets	15.5%	25	246
Wandsworth	16.4%	26	128
Kensington and Chelsea	17.1%	27	96
Havering	17.4%	28	101
Camden	17.9%	29	178
Greenwich	19.2%	30	180
Hammersmith and Fulham	21.7%	31	101
Hillingdon	25.4%	32	148
London Total	-0.9%		4681

- The volume of overall knife injuries has reduced by 13% in Haringey, compared to a 1% London-wide reduction.
- Haringey has experienced a reduction in young victims of knife injuries, reducing by **-23%**. During this period, London overall has increased by 1%.
- **However, serious incidents still occur, which often lead to serious and life-changing injuries.**
- Key locations are Wood Green High Street, Turnpike Lane and Bruce Grove
- Hotspots have continued to shift, following targeted partnership work in long standing high volume locations.



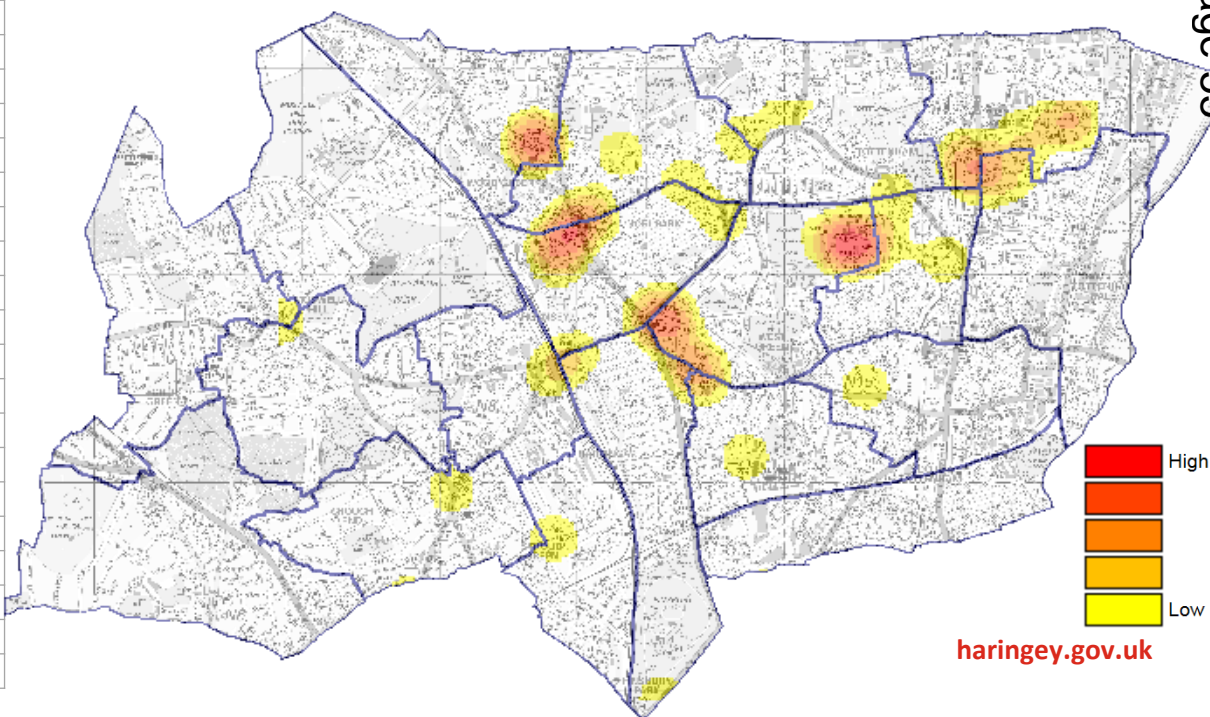
Lethal Barrelled Firearm Discharges

Borough	Lethal Barrelled Firearm Discharges	London Rank	Volume
Hammersmith and Fulham	-71.4%	1	2
Redbridge	-66.7%	2	4
Westminster	-58.3%	3	5
Hounslow	-57.1%	4	3
Enfield	-55.0%	5	9
Barnet	-50.0%	6	2
Kingston upon Thames	-50.0%	7	1
Kensington and Chelsea	-37.5%	8	5
Havering	-37.5%	9	5
Barking and Dagenham	-33.3%	10	6
Wandsworth	-33.3%	11	4
Islington	-27.3%	12	8
Sutton	-25.0%	13	3
Camden	-10.0%	14	9
Bromley	0.0%	15	4
Greenwich	0.0%	16	10
Hackney	16.0%	17	29
Southwark	22.2%	18	22
Waltham Forest	30.0%	19	26
Newham	33.3%	20	44
Lambeth	34.5%	21	39
Brent	41.2%	22	24
Richmond upon Thames	50.0%	23	3
Harrow	60.0%	24	8
Lewisham	71.4%	25	12
Croydon	90.0%	26	19
Haringey	95.8%	27	47
Tower Hamlets	100.0%	28	14
Bexley	150.0%	29	10
Hillingdon	266.7%	30	11
Merton	500.0%	31	6
Ealing	600.0%	32	7
London Total	17.9%		401

■ Lethal barrelled firearm discharges in Haringey have increased significantly year on year, a 96% increase. London has increased by 18% over this same period.

■ Haringey accounts for **1 in 8** of all lethal barrelled firearm discharges in London.

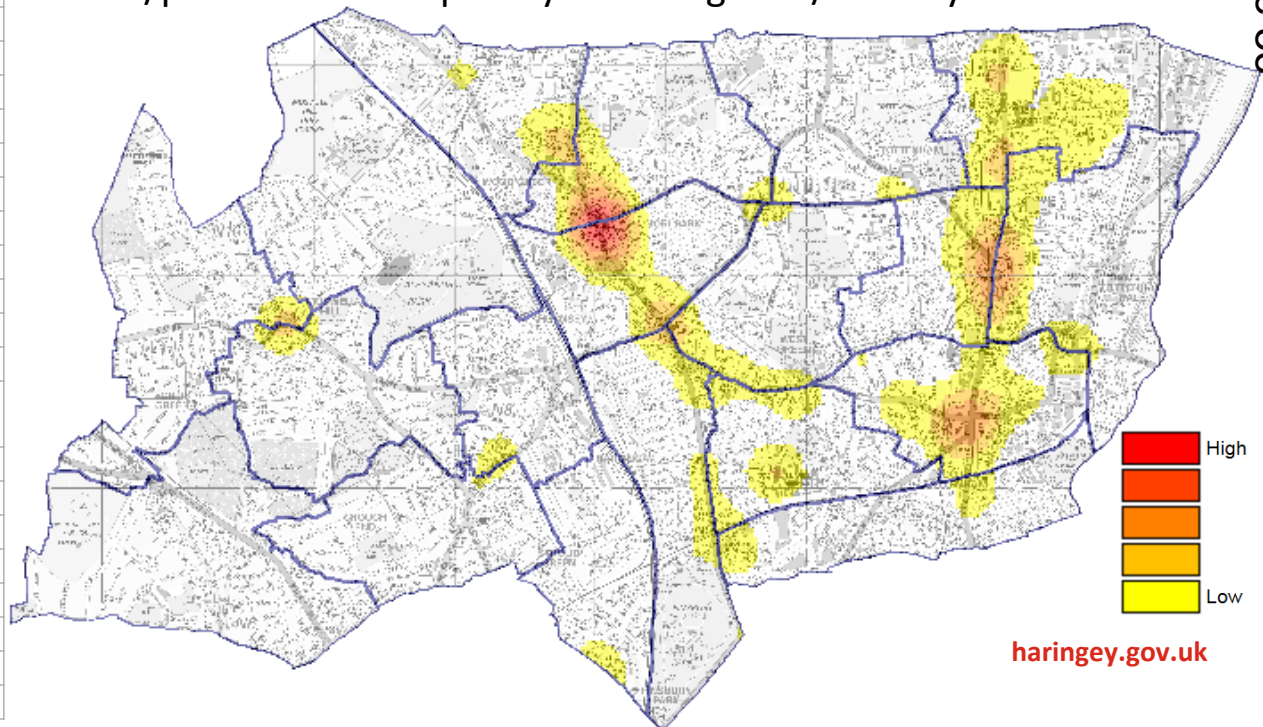
■ Firearm related incidents mostly occur to the East of the borough, and show some correlation with known gang linked areas. Offences also demonstrate some geographical clustering.



Non-Domestic Abuse Violence With Injury **Haringey** LONDON

Borough	Non-Domestic Abuse VWI	London Rank	Volume
Waltham Forest	-12.3%	1	1387
Barnet	-8.0%	2	1384
Sutton	-5.8%	3	821
Bromley	-5.7%	4	1391
Lambeth	-5.1%	5	2596
Newham	-2.6%	6	2198
Greenwich	-2.3%	7	1764
Brent	-1.3%	8	2225
Lewisham	-0.6%	9	1895
Merton	-0.5%	10	880
Westminster	-0.2%	11	2915
Tower Hamlets	0.8%	12	2008
Kensington and Chelsea	0.8%	13	1041
Enfield	1.5%	14	1583
Hounslow	2.8%	15	1628
Redbridge	2.9%	16	1448
Havering	3.1%	17	1336
Hackney	3.2%	18	2097
Bexley	3.2%	19	1059
Haringey	3.7%	20	2091
Ealing	3.7%	21	2024
Kingston upon Thames	3.7%	22	837
Harrow	3.7%	23	916
Barking and Dagenham	4.9%	24	1349
Hammersmith and Fulham	5.1%	25	1309
Richmond upon Thames	5.2%	26	646
Camden	5.5%	27	2009
Croydon	5.7%	28	2285
Hillingdon	5.8%	29	1716
Southwark	6.1%	30	2321
Islington	7.6%	31	1781
Wandsworth	7.9%	32	1613
London Total	1.1%		52553

- Non-domestic VWI offences have increased in Haringey by 4%, which is larger than the London-wide increase of 1%.
- A significant proportion of incidents occur in busy locations, such as shopping centres, transport hubs and key thoroughfares.
- Some incidents are also linked to retail/night time economy related issues, including when individuals have been refused entry to shops or bars/pubs and subsequently attacking staff/security.



Summary

- Several areas of positive performance

- Current MOPAC Police and Crime Plan priorities (Robbery and Non-DA VWI) continue to be high-volume and high risk

- Challenges include :
 - Responding to Robbery and Weapon Enabled Crime

 - Continuing to tackle vulnerability, including Domestic Abuse and Youth Violence

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Report for: Environment and Community Safety Scrutiny Panel, 13 September 2018

Item number: 11

Title: Nine month follow up to the response to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee report on The Fear of Crime

Report authorised by: David Murray, Assistant Director of Environment and Neighbourhoods

Lead Officer: Ian Kershaw, Client and Commissioning Manager (Community Safety, Waste and Enforcement)

Ward(s) affected: All

**Report for Key/
Non Key Decision:** Non Key decision

1. Describe the issue under consideration

- 1.1. This report provides an update nine months after Cabinet agreed its response to the recommendations made by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee in its exercise looking at the fear of crime.

2. Cabinet Member Introduction

2.1. When considering crime and disorder it is important to address not only actual crime and anti-social behaviour but the fear of crime as well. Fear of crime is a perception but it is one that affects people's quality of life. How safe you feel in your neighbourhood is a key driver of people's overall satisfaction and quality of life. The Council is a statutory partner on the Community Safety Partnership (CSP). We deliver our collective ambitions to make the Borough a safer place for those that live work and visit the Borough, through our Community Safety Strategy, agreed by our CSP. Addressing fear of crime has long been a key component informing our strategy and will continue to be so.

2.2. I look forward to sharing my thoughts and priorities with the Environment and Community Safety Scrutiny Panel and working with all partners to build on our good work and to address the challenges going forward. I also look forward to hearing from policing colleagues on their suggestions for approaches we can take to reduce risk and harm, particularly for the most vulnerable members of our community.

3. Recommendations

- 3.1. Cabinet note the Scrutiny Review into the Fear of Crime set out in Appendix 2
- 3.2. Cabinet agree the response to the recommendations of the review set out in the Appendix 1.

4. Reason for Decision

4.1. The Overview and Scrutiny Committee recommendations flow from its extensive investigation and report. They set out a reasonable and measured set of requests which, where they were within the full gift of the Council were agreed. Where they relied on others they were partially agreed.

5. Other options considered

5.1. The recommendations are consistent with the existing and emerging community safety strategy. This has been informed by extensive consultation. Therefore, no other options were considered.

6. Background information

6.1. The scrutiny review considered the council's objectives and performance in respect of fear of crime and the correlation between actual levels of crime and fear of crime. The review considered a range of data from sources including the Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime, expert witnesses, officers and partners, as well as consultation from neighbourhood watches residents associations and young people

6.2. The Community Safety Strategy is a required strategic document to be produced by CSPs. The current Community Safety Strategy will expire in 2018 and is being refreshed in line with the emerging Borough Plan.

7. Contribution to Strategic Outcomes

7.1. The Community Safety Strategy is a key partnership document. It will be fully aligned with the emerging Borough Plan and hence our strategic outcomes. The current strategy is a key driver for outcomes relating to crime and the fear of crime.

8. Statutory Officers comments (Chief Finance Officer (including procurement), Assistant Director of Corporate Governance, Equalities)

Finance and Procurement

The report provides an update on actions to be taken by the services. All costs relating to the recommendation will be contained within the service budget and there are no additional financial implications arising from it.

Legal

The Assistant Director of Corporate Governance has been consulted and there are no legal implications arising from this report.

Equalities

Fear of crime is experienced disproportionately by older and female residents. There is also evidence that there is differential and disproportionate experience among different black Asian and minority ethnic groups in the Borough. In taking forward the recommendations this disproportionate experience will be positively impacted.

9. Use of Appendices

Appendix 1: Nine month update on specific recommendations in response to the report of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

Appendix 2: Scrutiny Review - Fear of Crime

10. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

There are no additional background papers to this report.

This table sets out the recommendations made by the OSC, the agreed response and a nine month update.

Recommendation & Action	Lead & others to be involved	Timescale	Cabinet response December 2017	Update
<p>That reducing fear of crime be set as a separate priority by the Community Safety Partnership in the new Community Safety Strategy for the Borough.</p>	<p>Head of Community Safety and Enforcement/Client and Commissioning Manager (Community Safety, Waste and Enforcement)</p>	<p>June 2018</p>	<p>Partially agreed. The Community Safety Strategy is a partnership strategy agreed by the statutory Community Safety Partnership (CSP). It is not within the Council's gift to fully determine its content however it is highly probable that reducing fear of crime will be a significant strand in any strategy going forward. The new strategy is planned to be introduced in alignment with the new Borough Plan in June 2018.</p>	<p>Comments made nine months ago are still relevant.</p> <p>The introduction of the new strategy has been delayed in order to fully align with the new Borough Plan and is expected to be launched in the autumn.</p> <p>It remains highly probable that reducing fear of crime will be a significant strand in the strategy going forward.</p>
<p>That action plans that may be developed by the Community Safety Partnership to reduce fear of crime be adaptable to local conditions and concerns and include targeted work with sections of the community who are disproportionately</p>	<p>Head of Community Safety and Enforcement/Client and Commissioning Manager (Community Safety, Waste and Enforcement)</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>	<p>Partially agreed. This is within the gift of the CSP. Fear of crime is not uniform and varies according to age, gender, geography and other factors. Fear of crime is driven by a range of factors both criminal and non-criminal e.g. the quality of lighting,</p>	<p>Comments made nine months ago are still relevant.</p> <p>Co-production and understanding of neighbourhoods continues to be key to our partnership approach to community safety as exemplified by our</p>

affected by it.			perceived speed of traffic, level of litter etc. To be effective therefore our plans will be informed by a strong sense of neighbourhood context and co-produced wherever possible within the constraints of existing resources.	approach to tackling serious violence.
That in developing the above mentioned action plan further work be undertaken to identify effective interventions, including reference to the outcomes of work by Victim Support on the link between anti-social behaviour and fear of crime.	Head of Community Safety and Enforcement/Client and Commissioning Manager (Community Safety, Waste and Enforcement)	Ongoing	Partially agreed. This is within the gift of the CSP. All action plans will be monitored to ensure they achieve what we intended and lessons are learnt. The ongoing work by Victim Support will be monitored and this and other studies used to inform our evidence base and understanding for future planning. Action plans will be contained within existing resources.	Comments made nine months ago are still relevant.
That action to improve communication and engagement with the community on crime and community safety issues be set as an ongoing priority for the Community Safety Partnership.	Head of Community Safety and Enforcement/Client and Commissioning Manager (Community Safety, Waste and Enforcement) Communications Team	Ongoing	Partially agreed. This is within the gift of the CSP. This is a priority within the current Community Safety Strategy and as noted above likely to be so in the new one. Action plans will be contained within existing resources.	Comments made nine months ago are still relevant.

<p>That where necessary funding from ward budgets be used to assist with the establishment and sustainment of neighbourhood watches through provision for premises hire and refreshments.</p>	<p>Ward Members</p>	<p>April 2018</p>	<p>Partially agreed It will be for ward Members to ultimately decide how their ward budgets are allocated.</p>	<p>Comments made nine months ago are still relevant.</p>
<p>That the proposed introduction of a borough wide additional licensing scheme to cover houses in multiple occupation and a selective scheme to cover 20% of the borough, with a view to extending it across the borough in due course, be strongly supported.</p>	<p>Programme Manager Commissioning and Client</p>	<p>Ongoing.</p>	<p>Partially agreed. This is partially agreed as the scheme is currently subject to consultation. HMOs present the highest risk; a borough wide scheme will include all HMO type property and will have a significant positive impact. Any Selective Licensing scheme above 20% has to be approved by the Secretary of State and be supported by a robust evidence base. Introducing an initial 20% scheme will help us gather the evidence needed to support an extension to the scheme. Regular reviews of both schemes will be carried out and a business case put forward if evidence supports a roll out of the Selective Licensing</p>	<p>Following consultation the scheme has been agreed as proposed for roll out in October. This will be carefully monitored and if the evidence supports further roll out this will be pursued.</p>

			scheme to other areas.	
That in view of their positive impact in combating fear of crime issues relating to crime and community safety be taken into account when selecting streets which are prioritised for upgrading of street lighting.	Head of Community Safety and Enforcement/Client and Commissioning Manager (Community Safety, Waste and Enforcement)/Sustainable Transport Manager	November 2017	Agreed. Fear of crime by neighbourhood will be passed to the Sustainable Transport Manager to allow it to be taken account of when rolling out street light replacement/upgrade programmes	Designing out crime issues, including street lighting, are raised as they arise with relevant service areas, including street lighting. For street lighting these are taken into account within the maintenance and upgrade programme. The latest programme was agreed in March 2018 and maintenance is delivered through contract with LoHAC.
That the Overview and Scrutiny Committee revisit issues regarding betting shops and in particular how any anti-social behaviour associated with them is addressed	Head of Community Safety and Enforcement/Client and Commissioning Manager (Community Safety, Waste and Enforcement)	Tba	Agreed. Officers will support this further scrutiny exercise when it is programmed.	Comments made nine months ago are still relevant.
That a report be submitted to a future meeting of the Panel on progress since the implementation of the 20mph speed limit in residential streets within the Borough.	Head of Community Safety and Enforcement/Client and Commissioning Manager (Community Safety, Waste and Enforcement)/Sustainable Transport Manager	Tba	Agreed Officers will support this further scrutiny exercise when it is programmed.	Comments made nine months ago are still relevant.

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Scrutiny Review: Fear of Crime

A Review by the Environment and Community Safety Scrutiny Panel

2016/17

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Chairs Foreword

Crime can have profound effects on local communities. These are not confined just to people directly involved, such as victims and witnesses. It can make others fearful and anxious and also have implications for their health, well-being and quality of life. It is a source of concern that Haringey residents have some of the highest levels of fear about crime amongst London boroughs. These levels are higher than many boroughs with similar characteristics to Haringey but with higher levels of recorded crime.

Successful action to address the crimes that cause the most concerns to local communities should help reduce fear of crime. However, it can be difficult to counter negative publicity, particularly that generated by serious incidents. Communities do not necessarily respond in a uniform way to community safety issues though and specific interventions to reduce fear of crime therefore need to be sensitive to local conditions. Conversely, there is also evidence to show that some of the groups of people with the highest levels of anxiety are amongst those with the lowest level of risk of becoming victims of crime.

A range of actions have been suggested as having the potential to reduce fear of crime but further clarity is still needed on which ones have the potential to be most successful. Evidence from other London boroughs provides no clear patterns on what works and local initiatives in Haringey that were expected to address fear of crime – such as the Team Noel Park pilot – have not always delivered all of the benefits that it was thought they might. The Panel were nevertheless convinced that the extension of licensing for privately rented accommodation, as has been undertaken by a number of other London boroughs, could play a useful role in addressing anti social behaviour.

Neighbourhood Watches can play a useful role in improving communication between residents and the Police but there are challenges in establishing them in some parts of the borough. Finding suitable accommodation to meet is one of these but this could potentially be resolved where it is an issue by the use of very modest amounts of funding from ward budgets.

Our survey provided us with some useful feedback from residents. Of particular relevance were the views that were given on things that can cause anxiety as well as what would make people feel safer. The concerns raised about speeding cars had not been anticipated and should be looked at by the Overview and Scrutiny in more detail. We had also not anticipated that improved street lighting would be raised by so many of the people who responded as something that would make them feel safer and feel that community safety issues should be taken into account in deciding which streets have their lighting upgraded first.

Finally, it should be emphasised that fear of crime is a hugely complex issue and that there are no easy or obvious answers. However, it is crucial to the quality of life of residents that they are able to feel safe and is therefore an issue that deserves a higher level of priority by the Council and its partners.



Councillor Makbule Gunes
Chair

Recommendations:

1. That reducing fear of crime be set as a separate priority by the Community Safety Partnership in the new Community Safety Strategy for the borough.
2. That action plans that may be developed by the Community Safety Partnership to reduce fear of crime be adaptable to local conditions and concerns and include targeted work with sections of the community who are disproportionately affected by it.
3. That, in developing the above-mentioned action plan, further work be undertaken to identify effective interventions, including reference to the outcomes of work by Victim Support on the link between anti social behaviour and fear of crime.
4. That action to improve communication and engagement with the community on crime and community safety issues be set as an ongoing priority for the Community Safety Partnership.
5. That, where necessary, funding from ward budgets be used to assist with the establishment and sustainment of neighbourhood watches through provision for premises hire and refreshments.
6. That the proposed introduction of a borough wide additional licensing scheme to cover houses in multiple occupation and a selective scheme to initially cover 20% of the borough, with a view to extending it across the borough in due course, be strongly supported.
7. That, in view of their positive impact in combating fear of crime, issues relating to crime and community safety be taken into account when selecting which streets are prioritised for upgrading of street lighting.
8. That the Overview and Scrutiny Committee re-visit issues regarding betting shops and, in particular, how any anti social behaviour associated with them is addressed.
9. That a report be submitted to a future meeting of the Panel on progress since the implementation of the 20 mph speed limit in residential streets within the borough.

1. Background

1.1 As part of the work planning process for 2016/17, it was proposed that the Panel look in depth at fear of crime. This would consider the following issues:

- The Council's objectives and performance in respect of fear of crime, including how data is currently collected and proposals to improve its accuracy;
- The correlation between actual crime levels and fear of crime across the borough;
- Action that could be taken to reduce fear of crime and its effectiveness, including what has proven to be successful in similar local authority areas;
- The impact of visible efforts to reduce fear of crime and whether they provide reassurance; and
- How relevant information is communicated to the public.

Terms of Reference

1.2 It was agreed that the terms of reference would be as follows:

“To consider and make recommendations to the Council's Cabinet and/or the Haringey Community Safety Partnership on how action to reduce fear of crime might be improved so that it is more effective, better targeted and responsive to the concerns of all sections of the community.”

Sources of Evidence:

1.3 Sources of evidence were:

- Research and data from a range of sources, including the Mayors Office for Policing and Crime (MOPAC);
- Interviews with officers from the Council, partner organisations and other local authorities;
- Responses to a survey of neighbourhood watches and resident associations undertaken as part of the review;
- Consultation responses from a range of young people within Haringey; and
- Performance information.

1.4 A full list of all those who provided evidence is attached as Appendix A.

Membership

1.5 The membership of the Panel was as follows:

Councillors: Makbule Gunes (Chair), Barbara Blake, Bob Hare, Clive Carter, Stephen Mann and Anne Stennett.

Co-opted Member: Ian Sygrave (Haringey Association of Neighbourhood Watches).

2. Introduction

- 2.1 Research has shown that fear of crime can have negative effects on both individuals and communities and these can sometimes be disproportionate to the level of threat. In particular, fear of crime can erode both individual well being and community cohesion. The anxiety caused can also have a detrimental effect on quality of life and make people more susceptible to becoming a victim. Research commissioned by Age Concern in 2016 showed that it can be associated with low quality of life, limited mobility and poor health status amongst older people.

Causes and Influences

- 2.2 The causes and influences on fear of crime are complex. Actual levels of crime have a clear and obvious impact and media coverage of specific high profile incidents can generate additional anxiety. However, the Panel heard that the relationship between actual levels of crime and fear of crime is not straightforward.
- 2.3 Visible signs of neglect in an area are thought to generate fear. Litter, vandalism and poor lighting can lead to a perception by residents of withdrawal of resources. The “broken windows” criminological theory suggests that the appearance of neglect can attract low level disorder and that this can escalate if not tackled. Offenders from elsewhere will be attracted in, leading to more serious disorder and crime and residents will become increasingly more fearful and worried about crime. The theory has been subject to challenge but is still widely accepted and the basis for much policy in this area.
- 2.4 There is an criminological theory, linked to “broken windows”, that certain types of crime or disorderly behaviour - referred to as “signal crimes” - have a disproportionate impact upon fear of crime. Strong signals result from incidents that are of sufficient seriousness to generate a significant degree of public awareness. However, continued exposure to a succession of weaker signals can also have a significant effect.
- 2.5 The concept of “signal crimes” does not assume that everyone will interpret signals in the same way. Social class, age, gender, ethnicity, previous victimisation and lifestyle may influence how people respond. For example, fear of sexual assault may cause particular anxiety to women whilst for men physical assault may be a greater source of fear.
- 2.6 In addition, what may be interpreted as a “signal crime” by the residents in one area may not necessarily be regarded in the same way by the residents of a different area. For example, graffiti may be seen by residents as an indicator of emerging problems in a comparatively affluent neighbourhood whilst in a more deprived neighbourhood, where more serious incidents (e.g. gang related/gun crime) take place on a regular basis, additional graffiti may be less of an issue.

Confidence

- 2.7 Confidence can be linked to fear of crime and relates specifically to how good a job people think the Police are doing. Research has shown that those individuals who are confident that the police do a good job are more likely to:
- Report victimisation;
 - Come forward with information to assist cases;
 - Cooperate with the police; and
 - Obey the law.
- 2.8 The four key drivers of confidence, according to the model that is used by the Metropolitan Police Service (MPS), are the following:
- Effectiveness in dealing with crime;
 - Engagement with the community;
 - Fair treatment; and
 - Alleviating local anti social behaviour.
- 2.9 Although fear of crime is regarded as a driver of confidence, it is not considered to be a major one. Research undertaken by the MPS shows the following:
- Women are more fearful than men;
 - Older people are more fearful than younger people;
 - Fear of crime is higher for low income and education groups;
 - Minority ethnic groups are more fearful than white people;
 - Those living in inner city areas more fearful; and
 - Perceived physical and social disorder in the local community can increase fear.
- 2.10 There is evidence that some sections of the community have disproportionate levels of concern about crime. Evidence from the MOPAC suggests that older people and people from some black and minority ethnic communities may have higher levels of anxiety. The “Britain Think” survey that was undertaken by the Council in 2014 also showed a significantly higher percentage of people over the age of 55 felt unsafe going out after dark. Higher levels of concern about anti social behaviour were also reported amongst people describing themselves as Asian or Asian/British. Ironically, both of these groups are at a comparatively low level of risk of becoming victims of crime.

Understanding Fear of Crime

- 2.11 The Panel received evidence from Molly Blackburn, national lead for anti social behaviour for Victim Support, on their work to develop a better understanding of fear of crime. She stated that the response of local communities to community safety issues was not uniform. There could be a split between areas with high levels of reporting and complaints and areas

with lower levels of reporting but a higher proportion of serious issues. Some areas with high crime rates had relatively low levels of anxiety whilst quieter suburban areas with lower crime rates had higher levels. This could lead to resources not being used in a way that was proportionate to the severity of incidents.

- 2.12 She stated that a significant percentage of crime went unreported. By the same token, minor issues could assume significance for some people and the resulting anxiety about crime could have a huge impact on their lives, affecting both their behaviour and their response to incidents. She felt that fear of crime was not just about what had happened but also about what might happen in the future. It can also make people more susceptible to becoming a victim by making them appear vulnerable.
- 2.13 The way in which local authorities promoted crime and community safety issues was very important. There was often insufficient time to put out positive news stories in relation to crime and community safety to counter negative publicity.
- 2.14 Anti social behaviour was of particular significance and Ms Blackburn reported that one in three people were affected by it to some extent. In dealing with it, there was a risk of criminalising the most socially excluded groups. There was a moral panic associated with anti social behaviour and talking about it could actually heighten levels of concern. Whilst there were real and genuine incidents, harm could also be caused that was not based on actual incidents.
- 2.15 Neighbourhood agreements, such as that developed by Oldham, could be developed to address high levels of anxiety regarding anti social behaviour. This involved monitoring what was actually happening on the ground. Incidents were tracked and scored and, from this, it was possible to put their severity into perspective. Young people were involved in this process and it was hoped this could break down any negative perceptions that there might be regarding them. As a result of the work that had been done in Oldham, the level of anti social behaviour had gone down and community cohesion increased.
- 2.16 Victim Support was looking at how it could work more effectively with both victims and perpetrators and it was hoped to develop recommendations on how practice could be improved. They were holding focus groups and speaking to a range of people to obtain their views. The engagement would look at the reasons for heightened levels of concern in some areas. It was envisaged that it would take around a year to complete the work.

3. Strategic Targets and Performance

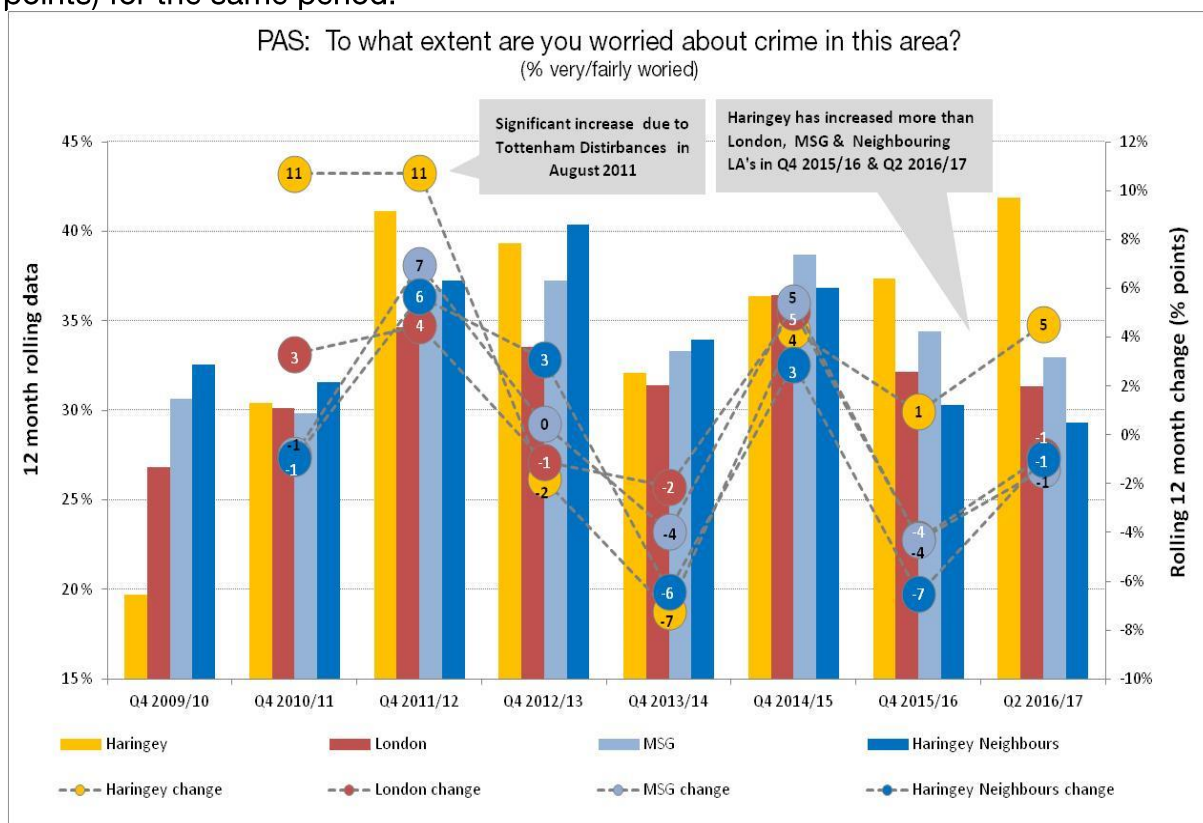
- 3.1 Priority 3 of the Council's Corporate Plan 2015-18 is: "A clean, well maintained and safe borough where people are proud to live and work". Objective one is; "To strengthen partnerships and together work with our communities to improve their environment, enable people to feel safe and proud of where they live and work, particularly through reducing anti social behavioural and environmental crime." The outcome indicator for this is fear of crime i.e. "To what extent are you worried about crime in the area?" (% very/fairly worried). The target is for levels across the borough to be down from 36% to 29% by 2018. The figure for quarter 2 of 2016/17 was 42%.
- 3.2 The indicator is measured using performance information is sourced from the Metropolitan Police Service Public Attitude Survey (PAS) quarterly report, which measures the attitude of Londoners towards policing and identifies priorities and experiences throughout the year. The most valid comparisons can be made with boroughs within Haringey's most similar group (MSG). These are boroughs that share similar social, economic and demographic characteristics. The statistics for Quarter 2 of 2016/17 are below. Alongside are statistics for volumes of reported crime. Boroughs that are part of Haringey's MSG are in bold.

% Worried about crime in this area (Q2 2016/17)	Very/fairly worried	Volume (Total Notifiable Offences) (Twelve Months to October 2016)
Enfield	47%	23,352
Ealing	42%	27,879
Haringey	42%	27,754
Hillingdon	40%	22,426
Redbridge	40%	20,330
Harrow	39%	13,573
Barnet	38%	25,717
Waltham Forest	38%	21,683
Hounslow	37%	22,763
Brent	36%	27,532
Croydon	36%	30,022
Barking and Dagenham	33%	17,843
Hackney	33%	28,578
Islington	33%	27,863
Merton	32%	13,240
Newham	32%	30,600
Havering	32%	17,428
Lewisham	30%	24,920
Bexley	29%	13,075
Greenwich	29%	23,269
Sutton	28%	10,832
Kingston upon Thames	27%	10,358
Lambeth	27%	35,578
Tower Hamlets	27%	30,180
Camden	26%	29,878

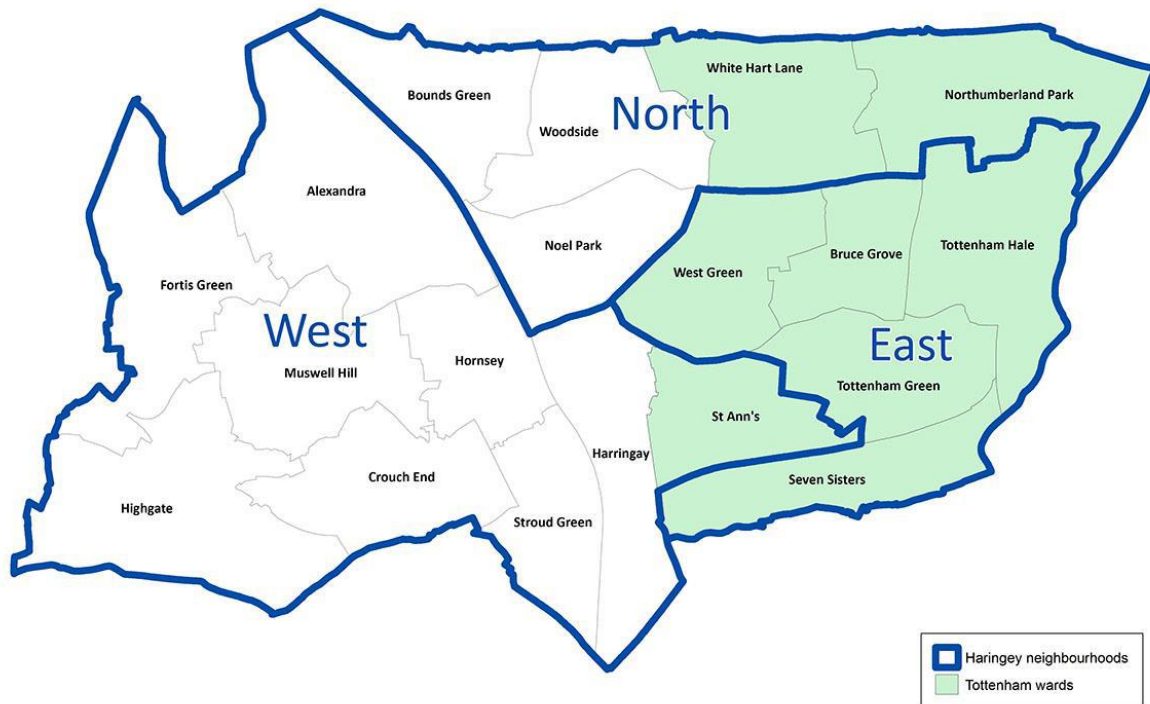
Bromley	23%	20,423
Richmond upon Thames	22%	11,291
Southwark	21%	32,524
Hammersmith and Fulham	18%	21,092
Westminster	18%	49,683
Wandsworth	16%	24,504
Kensington and Chelsea	14%	20,313
Total	31%	759,637

3.3 There is currently only one London borough that has a higher percentage of people than Haringey stating that they are either fairly or very worried about crime, although there are a few that have percentages that are close. Of particular note are the figures for Southwark and Lambeth, which are both in Haringey’s MSG. These show higher levels of actual crime but levels of worry of crime that are considerably lower – 21% and 27% respectively. Conversely, some outer and predominantly suburban boroughs with significantly lower levels of reported crime than Haringey have broadly similar levels of worry about crime that are. For example, Harrow’s figure is 39% despite crime levels that are less than half.

3.4 PAS data going back to quarter 4 of 2009/10 (12 months to March 2010) shows that the average annual “worry about crime” return in Haringey is 35%. This ranks 7th highest out of the 15 boroughs in our MSG. It shows an overall increase of 22% from 20% in March 2010 to the current level of 42% (September 2016). This increase is considerably greater than that for London (+4% points), our MSG (+2% points) and our neighbouring boroughs (-3% points) for the same period.



- 3.5 The highest increase was seen in the 12 months to March 2012 and is likely to be linked to the disturbances in the summer of 2011 and was replicated in most London boroughs. In that year, Haringey recorded an 11% point increase to 41%, which was greater than London, our MSG and neighbouring boroughs. The most recent figure for Haringey of 42% for quarter 2 of 2016/17 is the highest since 2009/10 and one percentage point above the annual return to March 2012. It is noticeable that many boroughs that experienced a spike in fear of crime following the 2011 disturbances have since reverted to previous levels but this has not happened in Haringey.
- 3.6 Borough wide fear of crime performance information sourced from PAS can be broken down into three separate neighbourhoods which are:
1. Haringey – North;
 2. Haringey – East; and
 3. Haringey - West.



- 3.7 Whilst these are not co-terminus with parliamentary constituency boundaries, the average of Haringey North and Haringey East is used as a Tottenham proxy indicator. The figures show that residents in the west of the borough are approximately 9% less worried (67% not very/not at all worried) about crime compared to the borough as a whole (58%).
- 3.8 The Haringey Community Safety Strategy 2013 – 2017 includes other targets that are of relevance to fear of crime. As part of action to improve confidence in the Police, it has the same target for decreasing worry about crime as the Corporate Plan (i.e. reducing it to 29% by 2018). As part of the action plan for 2016/17 it also includes the following targets:

- Increasing the percentage of people feeling safe at night in the Noel Park ward. The baseline for this was 55%, compared to a borough wide figure of 68%. Noel Park was selected as it is the longest standing high crime area. The Veolia Annual Residents Survey is used to measure this. Current figures (2016) in respect of these targets show the following:
 - Noel Park; 47% felt fairly or very safe at night;
 - Haringey; 65% felt fairly/very safe

3.9 The Team Noel Park pilot that was set up to address a number of issues in the ward, including this, is discussed in detail later on in this report.

Other Questions

3.10 In addition to fear of crime, there are a number of other questions on issues relating to the perception of crime and anti social behaviour in the PAS survey which are relevant, particularly as these relate to issues that can cause disproportionately high levels of concern. The responses from Haringey residents in respect of these for quarter 1 of 2016/17 were as follows:

3.11 These are the following:

Question	% Haringey	% MPS (i.e. London wide)
To what extent are you worried about ASB in the area? % worried (very/fairly)	24% very/fairly worried, - 2% from the previous quarter but +1% from the same quarter in 2015/16. Haringey has seen a trend of -3% since September 2015.	20% very/fairly worried, - 1% from the previous quarter and -4% from the same quarter in 2015/16.
To what extent do you think that gun crime is a problem in the area? % problem (major/minor)	21% major/minor problem, + 2% from the previous quarter and +5% from the same quarter in 2015/16. Gun discharges in Haringey offences rose by 3, from 10 to 13, in the year to September 2016	9% major/minor problem, +1% from the previous quarter but -2% from the same quarter in 2015/16.
To what extent do you think that gangs are a problem in the area? % problem (major/minor)	27% major/minor problem, unchanged from the previous quarter and from the same quarter in 2015/16. Haringey gang flagged offences fell by 57% from 164 to 71 in the	16% major/minor problem, -1% from the previous quarter and - 5% from the same quarter in 2015/16.

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- 3.12 These figures may indicate that ASB is not one of the stronger drivers of fear of crime in the borough and that concerns about gang and gun crime are more significant.

Limitations of Data

- 3.13 The Panel noted evidence from Claire Kowalska, Community Safety Strategic Manager, Commercial and Operations that although the number of respondents to the PAS survey is statistically significant and comes from a representative sample of households, it is limited in scope and involves comparatively few residents. She felt that there was a need to get a more accurate picture of the views of residents and, as part of this, consideration needed to be given to alternative ways of obtaining them.
- 3.14 Ms Kowalska reported that there are two surveys that are now hoped to provide an more accurate and inclusive snapshot of the views of residents:
- The annual Veolia Haringey Residents Survey of 1400 residents, which is done on a “one-to-one” basis;
 - A youth health survey, which would also include questions on issues of concern, such a community safety.
- 3.15 The Veolia survey of December 2015 provides some further information on the views of residents. Although its primary objective is to conduct a residents satisfaction survey about the services provided by the Council’s waste contractor Veolia, it also provides additional feedback on residents feelings about safety. It showed that 20% of people felt either fairly or very unsafe when outside in their area after dark. During the day, this figure was 3%.

Feedback from Young People

- 3.16 The Panel noted that Haringey Youth Council was re-constituted in 2016 and feedback from it provides a useful snapshot of the views of young people. At its first meeting, the young people present debated what they felt were the biggest concerns of young people in the borough. The top concern was considered to be crime and gangs. The Panel obtained further feedback from the Youth Council regarding this issue as follows:

What sort of things would make you feel safer in Haringey?

1. More visible Police presence but Police that are from Haringey and who have knowledge of local young people.
 2. Police Territorial Support Group officers to be less aggressive
 3. More street lights e.g. at the basket ball courts
- 3.17 Feedback relevant to this issue was also obtained from Aspire, who are Haringey’s Children in Care Council, by the Children and Young People’s

Scrutiny Panel as part of their review on Child Friendly Haringey. They stated that a lot of young people do not feel safe and are worried about gangs. Some are reluctant to travel to other areas of the borough away from where they live due to area based rivalries or “post code” issue. Officers also reported that the post code issue can affect the life chances of young people as they can be reticent to go to other areas for education or training.

- 3.18 The Youth Steering Group from the Markfield Project, a charity within the borough dedicated to bringing disabled and non disabled children and young people together, also provided some relevant feedback. Safety rated very highly in their priorities and it was also raised in respect of housing, with one young person stating that “Living in Broadwater Farm doesn’t feel safe.”
- 3.19 There was a mixture of views regarding the Police and whether they made them feel safer. One group did not feel the Police helped them feel safer. Two members of this group talked about their own personal experiences with the Police. They felt they could not trust the Police and that they needed to be better trained. The other group wanted safer streets and reduced crime and felt that more Police were needed on the streets. In addition, they wanted more Police ‘stop and search’ and officers outside their college.
- 3.20 The most recent Haringey Community Strategic Assessment gives some context for the concerns raised by young people. There were 319 victims of serious youth violence in the past 12-months, an increase of 5%. Haringey has the 5th highest volume of all London boroughs. Serious youth violence consists of a combination of robbery and violence, with victims aged 10 to 19. Gang members are becoming progressively younger, some now becoming involved between the ages of 10 to 13.

Panel Survey

- 3.21 The Panel commissioned an on-line survey that was distributed through neighbourhood watches and resident associations. The purpose of this was to try and find out more about the concerns of residents, its causes and what might help people feel safer. 129 responses were received, covering a range of different post codes across the borough. Whilst it was not necessarily representative of the borough as a whole, it provides a flavour of the opinion of residents.
- 3.22 12% of respondents stated that they felt either unsafe or very unsafe during the day. At night, this percentage increased to 45%. The figures were particularly high for those living in the N17 and N22 postcodes. Almost two thirds of people (64%) living in N17 felt either unsafe whilst the figure for N22 was 52%.
- 3.23 Aside from more Police officers on the street, there were a number of recurring themes from the responses regarding what was likely to make them feel safer. Of particular interest was the high percentage of people – 28% (37 respondents) – who identified improved street lighting as something that

would make them feel safer. In addition, several people raised issues relating to speeding traffic and groups congregating around betting shop entrances. Houses in multiple occupation and the lack of related enforcement was also referred to.

- 3.24 Feedback from the survey also revealed that the most common means of obtaining information about levels of crime through hearing about incidents from friends and neighbours, which 60% of respondents stated was their main source of evidence. Social media, the local press and people's own experience were also sources that were used by many. In practice, it is likely that people obtain their information from a range of sources.

4. Action to Address Fear of Crime

- 4.1 Although there is no action plan to specifically address fear of crime, there are a range of activities that are taken by the Council and its partners that are aimed to provide reassurance to residents and increase confidence. Much day-to-day Police activity is focussed on addressing the crimes that cause particular concern to residents, such as gangs and gun crime. Action is also taken by the Council and its partners to address anti social behaviour, which can also have a big impact of levels of fear/worry about crime.
- 4.2 The Panel noted evidence that, despite a lot of good enforcement work being undertaken in Haringey, there is often little publicity for it. Haringey tends to be a borough with a high media profile and incidents are often given a high level of prominence. Good quality engagement with the community can make a difference. For example, people who had been in contact with the Police had higher levels of confidence in them than others.

Community Safety Partnership

- 4.3 The Panel received evidence from Eubert Malcolm, Head of Community Safety and Regulatory Services on action being taken to improve confidence in order to achieve the targets set by the Community Safety Partnership. Although they are focussed on confidence, the actions are also intended to reduce fear/worry about crime.
- 4.4 An action plan had been developed to support this, linked to the previously mentioned MPS four drivers of public confidence i.e:
- Effectiveness in dealing with crime;
 - Engagement with the community;
 - Fair treatment; and
 - Alleviating local anti social behaviour.
- 4.5 The actions were focussed on a number of different issues, including the coverage of positive community safety messages, improving engagement and involvement and strengthening joint enforcement. Most of the actions were on track. Of particular note was the success of MetTrace in reducing burglaries. To date, 6,329 kits had been distributed, covering 65% of households in wards where it has been introduced. There were still 2,000 households to go though and the aim was to eventually cover 85% of households.
- 4.6 Schools had designed a spray on stencil to go on pavements outside of tube stations to warn people to be vigilant when using their mobile phones in order to reduce instances of them being snatched. In addition, it had been planned to set up a digital alert system but this was no longer proceeding. Action to develop a new enforcement page on the Council's website was continuing. There was also a specific Noel Park website which had been set up as part of the Team Noel Park pilot.

- 4.7 Specific action was taking place to improve engagement with the orthodox Jewish and Polish communities. A number of wards where there were currently low levels of confidence had also been chosen for specific initiatives. Engagement had taken place with 2,000 people so far.
- 4.8 The reconstituted Youth Council in Haringey would be used to drive engagement with young people. There was also a target of 160 police cadets by the end of the year. In addition, the Fire Service was undertaking home visits to priority people within the community to promote fire safety. 1920 visits had been made so far. The Community Safety Partnership was reviewing the Community Safety Strategy and a draft was due in October 2017. Fear of Crime was likely to be a priority within this.
- 4.9 The Panel noted that the Council currently paid for six Police officers under an agreement under Section 92 of the Police Act 1996. This means that match funding is provided by the Metropolitan Police, meaning that the Council only pays 50% of the cost. The additional officers are deployed to address priorities set by the Council. However, there are now 20 fewer Police officers for the borough overall than were in 2010 due to Police budget reductions.
- 4.10 The Panel also received evidence from Chief Inspector Veronica Morrell from Haringey Police. She reported that the response to the issue of fear of crime tended to focus on the need to put more Police officers on the street. This would not necessarily reduce crime but the issue was more concerned with how people felt.
- 4.11 Improving confidence and addressing mistrust were priorities for the new Borough Commander. Officers had been moved away from other duties to address the issue and an internal restructuring was taking place. A Community Engagement Board had been set up to co-ordinate action, which would include community representation. Work priorities for it were currently being set. A Community and Youth Engagement Team had also been established.
- 4.12 Ward Panels are locally based and Police managed community/police engagement and consultation groups. Engagement with them was a particular priority and efforts were currently being made to arrange a meeting of their Chairs. Ms Morrell stated that there was scope for different arrangements for ward panels. She noted that wards where there was high demand on Police services tended to get a better service but it was necessary to be mindful of the needs of other areas as there was a danger that they could otherwise be neglected.
- 4.13 A need had also been identified to establish a media hub. In particular, it was acknowledged that social media presence needed to be improved as it was currently somewhat "ad hoc" in nature. In addition to Facebook and Twitter, there were now newer social media platforms that young people used and these needed to be utilised as well. The message provided via the print

medium also needed to be improved. Specific efforts needed to be taken to engage with “hard to reach” groups as well, such as communities that may be new to the borough.

- 4.14 There was a commitment by the Police to have a strong presence in schools. Whilst Police funding for work with schools had been cut elsewhere, it had been preserved in Haringey. There was a dedicated officer in every secondary school and links to primary schools were currently being further developed. A newly appointed person was in the process of making contact with primary schools in order to establish points of contact. The schools team also had responsibility for promoting the Police Cadets. In addition, work was now taking place with the Council’s Early Help Service.
- 4.15 Dedicated schools Police officers undertook a range of tasks:
- They were present at school gates and could be called in by teachers if necessary;
 - They also appeared in school assemblies and gave talks on a range of issues, such as stop and search;
 - They were a visible presence in and around school.
- 4.16 A lot of work was also undertaken with neighbourhood watches. It was noted that establishing neighbourhood watch in some areas in the east of the borough could be particularly challenging. Suitable accommodation for meetings was a particular issue as there was currently no funding available for this. The use of watch members’ front rooms for meetings was not always feasible or appropriate.
- 4.17 The intention was to build bridges with local communities and, in particular, emerging ones. Confidence in the Police had increased in recent months from 53% to 57% and was now at 61%. However, the Metropolitan Police average was 68%.

Anti Social Behaviour

- 4.18 Anti social behaviour has long been considered as a driver of fear of crime. The Crime and Disorder Act 1998 defines anti-social behaviour as acting in a manner that has "caused or was likely to cause harassment, alarm or distress to one or more persons not of the same household" as the perpetrator.
- 4.19 The Panel received evidence from Alison Pibworth, Team Leader of the Council’s Anti Social Behaviour Action Team (ASBAT) on the work that was currently undertaken in Haringey to address the issue. The team aims to act swiftly in response to a range of issues, including harassment, hate crime, drug misuse and dealing, begging, alcohol related nuisance, prostitution, groups of youths loitering, dangerous dogs and rough sleeping.
- 4.20 A lack of reports did not necessarily mean that there were no issues and residents could not be reporting them. This could be driven by fear. Drug dealing, rough sleeping and prostitutes had been found in some areas

despite there being no or very few reports from local residents. There were known hot spots which had low levels of reporting.

- 4.21 Ms Pibworth reported that a range of civil actions are taken by the Police and Council in response to anti social behaviour. These have included injunctions, deportations of sex workers and Acceptable Behaviour Contracts (ABCs). The injunctions had worked well but issues tended to return over a period of time. Introductory tenancies were used which made it easier to evict tenants who committed anti social behaviour. Community Protection Orders could be used and had proven to be very effective tools.
- 4.22 Residents can use the Community Trigger if they are not happy with the response of agencies to reports of anti social behaviour. Repeat perpetrators and victims are identified and this enables interventions and support to be provided. For example, perpetrators with alcohol issues can be referred for treatment and relevant conditions could be inserted in injunctions. Knowing that successful action had been taken against anti social behaviour helped build confidence, especially amongst victims.
- 4.23 The service promoted community responsibility, working closely with residents and encouraging them to become involved. An example of this was the Community Champions initiative in Northumberland Park that aimed to empower residents. They regularly attended meetings with residents and Ward Panel meetings. They also worked with residents and Homes for Haringey to improve the local environment. Twice weekly litter picks and rubbish removal on estates had been re-introduced by Homes for Haringey in order to give the area a better impression of being cared for.
- 4.24 Enforcement action was taken, if possible, using hearsay evidence, which removed the need for residents to attend court. This also provided residents with greater confidence to report incidents. When possible, flyers were delivered to residents when enforcement action had been taken, with the aim of showing that the service had the capability to respond effectively to incidents.

5. Team Noel Park Pilot

- 5.1 The Panel heard that the Team Noel Park pilot was the prototype for a new partnership approach with the local community, built around shared ambitions to improve the local environment and improve community safety. Its aim was, through active engagement with the community, to build a shared understanding of the community's priorities and a consensus on how to improve outcomes.
- 5.2 The key outcomes aimed for were:
- A cleaner and safer place;
 - Increased satisfaction as a place to live, work/trade and visit; and
 - Increased pride in the area.
- 5.3 The project also sought to strengthen community capacity and resilience so that in future the community would be empowered to play a more prominent role in generating solutions to local priorities. In time, this could potentially involve co-commissioning services and playing a role in affecting behaviour change, with local public services maintaining a supporting and enabling role.
- 5.4 A further underlying principle was to test an approach to community engagement that was within the current mainstream resources and budgets of the Council and its partners in order to understand the impact better partnership working could deliver in an environment of shrinking resources. The intention was that lessons learnt would be applied to other parts of the borough.
- 5.5 The Noel Park ward was chosen to test the approach based on specific characteristics about the area:
- It is in the top 3 wards in the borough for violence with injury, robbery, criminal damage and theft from person;
 - It is in the top 20 wards in London for the number of criminal offences (and the worst in Haringey) based on the suite of crime indicators used by the MOPAC; and
 - Anti-social behaviour and environmental crime are also disproportionately high in Noel Park, with the ward being amongst the worst in the borough for fly tipping.
- 5.6 At the same time there is a strong sense of community with active involvement in residents' and community groups. The area also has significant social media infrastructure and therefore felt to have the right conditions to forge a transformational relationship with the council.
- 5.7 The pilot project started in earnest in September 2015. The evaluation of the initiative included consideration of its impact on fear/worry of crime. If successful, it was intended to replicate the approach used in other wards. Crime tends to be concentrated in a small number of electoral wards and the intention was to focus activity on them and particular estates and to look at

alternative ways of working. Focus groups were undertaken in Noel Park as part of the evaluation process.

- 5.8 The Panel received an update on the outcome of the evaluation of the pilot project. The Veolia survey of 2015 obtained the views of 1100 residents, including 200 people from Noel Park. A similar survey had recently been undertaken in order to compare its results with the earlier one to evaluate the impact of the pilot project.
- 5.9 The pilot had had a number of benefits, including enabling new links to be made with and between community groups in Noel Park and better communication with Members and the Council. It was felt that there was also now greater community ownership of local issues and willingness of partners to work with the Council as well as a more constructive dialogue with the community. In addition, shared ambitions for the local area had been developed between residents and project team.
- 5.10 Somewhat disappointingly though, there has been little change in feelings of safety amongst residents. In 2015, 55% of Noel Park residents reported feeling safe in the area at night, compared to a borough figure of 68%. The most recent figure was 47% compared to a borough wide figure of 65%. A similar result had been recorded for people feeling safe during the day, with figures for Noel Park going down slightly from 85% to 84% compared to borough wide figures of 93% in 2015 and 91% in 2016. Officers felt that part of the explanation for this were issues concerning low level crime and anti social behaviour originating from Ducketts Common, which had spread into a wider area. In addition, decreases had also been recorded in the percentage of people who said that they were satisfied with the area that they lived in and how the Council was run.
- 5.11 The pilot project did not have the impact that it was hoped to have. Awareness of issues such as fly tipping and anti social behaviour in the area has increased but it appears that this has led to the perception amongst residents that problems have become worse. It is possible that the focus on these issues had drawn attention to them. A very small number of high profile incidents could also cause significant damage. Consideration is nevertheless being given to rolling out the positive aspects of the pilot elsewhere in the borough, such as the improved dialogue with residents. It is possible that the 2017 survey will show improvements though, especially if there were no serious incidents in the neighbourhood in the meantime.
- 5.12 Despite the disappointing overall outcome, there had been some positives that had arisen. The pilot had enabled residents to become more familiar with services and senior officers and had enabled the Council and its partners to show that they were trying to address problems. Better links had been developed between the Council and residents with Homes for Haringey. 25% of the borough's crime took place in the Wood Green area and it would be unrealistic to think that all of the problems in the area could be solved easily.

6. Other Boroughs - Case Studies

- 6.1 A key part of the Panel's work was determining what action, if any, could be taken to reduce levels of fear of crime by identifying interventions that had worked well elsewhere. Contact was made with four London boroughs that had lower levels of fear of crime, including three (Lambeth, Southwark and Newham) from within Haringey's MSG of London boroughs. The aim of this was to determine if there were any specific interventions that they had undertaken which might be behind their lower levels.

Lambeth

- 6.2 The percentage of Lambeth residents who stated that they are very or fairly worried about crime has gone down from 37% in 2010 to 27% in 2016. There was no single action that was felt to have made a specific difference in reducing levels in Lambeth. However, addressing fear of crime and feelings of safety has been a corporate priority for communications for a number of years. Up until 2016, fear of crime had been identified as the number one concern of residents, with over 40% listing it as a priority area. There have been a number of corporate communications campaigns in respect of the issue, some of which were targeted (e.g. violence against women and girls, the night time economy) and some more general.
- 6.3 It has been a constant presence in their corporate plan. The Council engages regularly with residents groups on the issue, both through the safer neighbourhoods process and groups, such as the old Community and Police Consultative Group and the current Safer Neighbourhood Board, as well as residents groups. They felt the progress that they had made was as a result of spending a sustained period of time talking about the issues with residents and trying to address them where appropriate.

Southwark

- 6.4 The percentage of Southwark residents who stated that they are very or fairly worried about crime was 21% in 2016, exactly half of Haringey's figure. However, this figure has fluctuated since 2010 and was as high as 42% in 2011. Safer communities have been one of Southwark's Fairer Future Promises within its corporate plan and they had undertaken a range of initiatives on relevant issues, although nothing specifically on fear of crime. They were unaware of the fact that their levels of worry about crime were so low. The one factor that they raised that was felt might possibly have contributed towards this was effective multi agency engagement and work with residents associations. They also had put out a steady stream of communications on anti social behaviour and other community safety issues.

Newham

- 6.5 Newham has experienced a large drop in the percentage of residents stating that they are worried about crime in their area, as taken from PAS survey

data, from 60% in 2009/10 to 32% last year. In particular, there has been a steady year on year drop from 2012/13, when the figure was 53%. The decline is confirmed by their own survey data.

6.6 There is no specific action plan to reduce fear of crime but they feel that there are a number of things that may have a significant impact on the figures:

- They have taken specific action to increase visible presence on the streets of the borough. The Council has its own team of uniformed Law Enforcement Officers who work alongside the Police. Every ward now has its own dedicated uniformed officer. These deal with a range of issues, including waste and anti social behaviour. In addition, the borough has invested £1.45 million in providing 40 additional Police officers for the borough to deal with crime and community safety issues. Like in Haringey, the officers have been acquired using an agreement under the Police Act 1996 which provides for match funding from the Metropolitan Police.
- Specific action was taken to license all privately rented property in the borough as this was felt to be a source of anti-social behaviour. Since its launch in January 2013, 36,037 licences have been issued and over 800 prosecutions undertaken against landlords, mainly for failing to licence properties and poor conditions.
- Action has also been taken to strengthen commercial licensing in order to clamp down on businesses that were a source of disorder and anti social behaviour.

6.7 In addition, an extra £5 million has been invested in CCTV cameras and infrastructure, including 200 new cameras.

Camden

6.8 The percentage of Camden residents who stated that they are very or fairly worried about crime was 26% in 2016. However, Camden is not part of Haringey's MSG so comparisons need to be treated with caution. Camden's safer communities partnership had prioritised a number of areas for action including domestic violence and abuse, anti social behaviour, estate based issues, the night time economy, serious youth disorder and hate crime. The focus was now more strongly on high risk issues and there had been a range of advertising and campaigns on particular issues.

6.9 There was a lot of engagement with the community. This included Camden Safety Views, which was run by a third sector organisation. As part of this, a survey was undertaken every quarter on the views of people about their neighbourhood and, in particular, anything about crime and anti social behaviour that might be of concern to residents.

- 6.10 In addition, they had Youth Independent Advisors (YIA) who were a team of young volunteers who advised the Police and liaised with young people. YIA is a scheme run by Camden Safer Neighbourhood Board. It is made up of young volunteers aged from 15 to 19 years from whom the police, council and other agencies can seek advice on matters relating to crime and community safety. The main focus of the group was to engage with the Police and local Council on areas such as:
- Attending briefing meetings;
 - Observing stop and search operations;
 - Providing input into police training, particularly with regards to youth engagement;
 - Advising the police in engagement activities in school and youth clubs; and
 - Encouraging young people to complain when they feel aggrieved; and
 - Respond to consultation on dispersal notices and designing out crime on estates.
- 6.11 There was also a lot of work that took place with Victim Support and, in particular, assisting them to get referrals. There had been a specific focus on communication, marketing and advertising.

7. Conclusions and Recommendations

- 7.1 The issue of fear of crime is complex and there are no easy ways of reducing it. Despite this, the Panel has been able to draw some conclusions from the evidence it received.
- 7.2 The fact that such a high percentage of people in the borough say that they are fairly or very worried about crime issue should be a matter of serious concern to the Council and its partners. The figures are some of the highest in London and significantly higher than many boroughs that are similar to Haringey but have greater levels of crime.
- 7.3 The effects of crime are not only felt by its direct victims. Fear of crime can have a seriously detrimental effect on the quality of life of residents, can impact on their health and well being and make them more susceptible to becoming a victim. In addition, the “post code” issue in certain areas of the borough can also affect the life chances of young people as they feel less able to take advantage of opportunities in some areas of the borough.
- 7.4 The current Community Safety Strategy has prioritised action to improve confidence in policing and community safety. It was assumed that successful action on this also lead to a reduction in fear of crime. However, increasing the percentage of people who feel that the Police are doing a good job may not necessarily have this effect. Despite the latest figures showing that confidence has improved within the borough, there is so far no evidence of fear of crime going down. Evidence from the MOPAC also suggests the link between the two issues may have been overstated. Indeed, if improved confidence leads to higher levels of reporting of crime, it is possible that it might even lead to higher levels of fear of crime as it may generate the perception that crime is increasing.
- 7.5 The Panel notes that fear of crime is likely to be made a separate priority by the Community Safety Partnership within the new Community Safety Strategy for the borough and would strongly endorse this.

Recommendation 1:

That reducing fear of crime be set as a separate priority by the Community Safety Partnership in the new Community Safety Strategy for the borough.

- 7.6 Although the Panel is of the view that reducing fear of crime should be a priority, it is mindful that this may not be easy to achieve in practice as action that has taken place to date has not been successful. Objective 1 of Priority 3 of the Council’s Corporate Plan 2015-18 uses reduction in fear of crime as an outcome indicator on the success of action to improve the environment by reducing anti social behaviour and environmental crime. The target is to bring the percentage of people stating that they are worried about crime down to 29% by 2018. This is not on course to be met and the percentage

has actually increased to 42%. In addition, the initiatives undertaken as part of the Team Noel Park pilot to address environmental crime and anti social behaviour and develop community engagement that were hoped to reduce fear of crime have proven to be unsuccessful in achieving this.

- 7.7 It is likely to be the case that in areas of the borough where more serious incidents are more common, environmental crime and anti social behaviour is a less significant driver of fear of crime. One explanation that was given for the lack of success of the Team Noel Park in reducing fear of crime is that this was due to issues concerning Ducketts Common spreading out into a wider area which may have overshadowed other improvements. It is possible that such an initiative may work better in areas of the borough with comparatively lower levels of more serious crime.
- 7.8 Fear of crime does not appear to be uniform amongst residents. What may be the source of a large number of complaints in one area of the borough may not be regarded in the same way by the residents of a different area. For example, the Panel heard that some anti social behaviour “hot spots” within the borough did not attract the high level of complaints that would be expected elsewhere. It is nevertheless important that the response to incidents is proportionate to their severity.
- 7.9 There is evidence that some sections of the community have disproportionate levels of concern about crime. Evidence from the MOPAC suggests that older people and people from some black and minority ethnic communities may have higher levels of anxiety. The “Britain Think” survey that was undertaken by the Council in 2014 also showed a significantly higher percentage of people over the age of 55 felt unsafe going out after dark. Higher levels of concern about anti social behaviour were also reported amongst people describing themselves as Asian or Asian/British. Ironically, both of these groups are at a comparatively low level of risk of becoming victims of crime.
- 7.10 The Panel is of the view that an action plan should be developed to reduce fear of crime. This may require both mainstream work to address the types of crime and anti social behaviour that cause residents the most anxiety as well as more specific action to provide reassurance to local communities through improved engagement and communication. The Panel feels that the action plan should be adaptable to local conditions and concerns and include targeted work with sections of the community disproportionately affected by fear of crime, such as older people and people from some black and minority ethnic communities.

Recommendation 2:

That action plans that may be developed by the Community Safety Partnership to reduce fear of crime be adaptable to local conditions and concerns and include targeted work with sections of the community who are disproportionately affected by it.

7.11 The evidence obtained by the Panel from other local authorities showed a range of actions that were felt may have contributed to reduced fear of crime but it was not possible to be conclusive about them. In addition, action previously taken in Haringey to address the issue has not always achieved its desired result. The Panel is therefore of the view that further work will need to be undertaken to identify interventions that have the greatest potential to be effective. The work on fear of crime and its link to anti social behaviour by Victim Support may provide useful evidence and the Panel would therefore recommend that the outcomes of this be taken into account in developing future action plans.

Recommendation 3:

That, in developing the above-mentioned action plan, further work be undertaken to identify effective interventions, including reference to the outcomes of work by Victim Support on the link between anti social behaviour and fear of crime.

7.12 Successful action to reduce crime and anti social behaviour should help to reduce fear of crime but there is evidence that positive messages are not getting through to residents. For example, there was a strong perception from those responding to the Panel's survey that burglary is going up despite the sizeable decrease in burglary levels that has taken place in areas of the borough recently following the introduction of MetTrace. Of particular concern is that the survey was distributed primarily through organisations, such as neighbourhood watch, that would be expected to be amongst the better informed sections of the community.

7.13 Not all messages relating to crime and community safety will be positive but it is important the residents are able to gain a balanced picture of issues so that they are able to base their perceptions on sound information.

7.14 The Panel noted that addressing fear of crime and feelings of safety has been a corporate priority for communications in Lambeth for a number of years, where levels of fear of crime are now much lower than Haringey. However, it is mindful that action to address crime and community safety is a partnership activity and, in particular, the Police have an important role to play. It is therefore of the view that Council action to improve communication with residents on such issues would be best undertaken jointly with the Police and through the Community Safety Partnership.

7.15 The Panel feels that further action to improve communication and engagement with the local community on crime and community safety is required and that this should be set as a key and ongoing priority by the Community Safety Partnership.

Recommendation 4:

That action to improve communication and engagement with the community on crime and community safety issues be set as an ongoing priority for the Community Safety Partnership.

- 7.16 The Panel noted that it is proving very difficult to establish neighbourhood watch in some areas of the borough. This is particularly true of the east of the borough, which only has half the number of ones in the west. The establishment of neighbourhood watches can have a number of benefits. They can demonstrate that people care and have pride in their community, help people share information among neighbours and with the Police, prevent crime and help reassure people, therefore reducing fear of crime and isolation.
- 7.17 The Panel heard that efforts to establish neighbourhood watches are being hindered by a lack of resources. One particular issue is the lack of suitable venues for meetings. Many people were unwilling or unable to hold them in their own homes and the use of public houses is not feasible as people from some communities are reluctant to go into them for religious or cultural reasons. The Panel is of the view that only relatively modest amounts of expenditure are required to address this issue successfully through funding for meeting venues and refreshments. Each Council ward currently has a small budget and the Panel feels that this could be used for such purposes.

Recommendation 5:

That, where necessary, funding from ward budgets be used to assist with the establishment and sustainment of neighbourhood watches through provision for premises hire and refreshments.

- 7.18 One specific intervention that officers in Newham felt may have contributed to their large reduction in levels of fear of crime was the introduction of a borough-wide property licensing scheme for all private rented properties. This was felt to have assisted by reducing levels of anti social behaviour.
- 7.19 The Housing Act 2004 provides for the introduction of a scheme of additional and selective licensing of private sector properties in a local authority's area. Additional licensing relates to HMOs not covered by the mandatory licensing scheme and selective licensing relates to all other private sector dwellings, with exceptions. Both licensing schemes are intended to address the impact of poor quality housing, rogue landlords and anti-social tenants. In an area subject to licensing, all private landlords must obtain a licence and if they fail to do so, or fail to achieve acceptable management standards, the authority can take enforcement action.
- 7.20 Before an authority can introduce a scheme or schemes, it has to produce a robust evidence base, a draft set of conditions and a fee schedule and carry out a public consultation. Haringey is currently working on its evidence base

and it is likely that it will consult on a borough wide additional licensing scheme and a selective licensing scheme initially covering 20% of the borough.

- 7.21 Any selective scheme that is larger than 20% requires agreement by the Secretary of State. Once the 20% selective licensing has been rolled out, it is hoped that to extend the scheme across the borough over a 4-5 year period, subject to the further development of the evidence base. Eight London boroughs have now brought in such schemes - Barking and Dagenham, Brent, Croydon, Harrow, Newham, Southwark, Tower Hamlets and Waltham Forest.
- 7.22 The draft timetable is as follows:
- Cabinet Report seeking agreement for a borough wide consultation exercise; September 2017.
 - Public Consultation; October to December 2017
 - Cabinet report on outline of consultation and proposing a scheme; March 2018
 - Introduction of scheme; September 2018.
- 7.23 In view of the evidence from other local authorities concerning the potential of such schemes to address anti social behaviour, the Panel would strongly support the current proposals.

Recommendation 6:

That the proposed introduction of a borough wide additional licensing scheme to cover houses in multiple occupation and a selective scheme to initially cover 20% of the borough, with a view to extending it across the borough in due course, be strongly supported.

- 7.24 The Panel noted that 28% of those responding to the Panel's survey on fear of crime stated that they felt that improved street lighting would help them feel safer. A number of research projects have suggested that better street lighting can reduce fear of crime although there is less evidence to demonstrate whether it actually reduces actual crime.
- 7.25 There is currently a programme being undertaken by the Council to upgrade street lighting. This is aimed at upgrading areas to LED energy efficient lighting. As well as being more energy efficient, they are also brighter. Not all of the borough is being upgraded at the moment as there is only sufficient funding to cover areas where current lighting is the oldest at the moment. There is a budget of circa £1 million for this in 2017-18. However, the Panel notes that the upgrade has not proven universally popular with all residents as some consider the new lights to be too bright and intrusive.

- 7.26 The Panel is nevertheless of the view that crime and community safety issues should be taken into account when deciding which streets within the borough are prioritised for upgrading.

Recommendation 7:

That, in view of their positive impact in combating fear of crime, issues relating to crime and community safety be taken into account when selecting which streets are prioritised for upgrading of street lighting.

- 7.27 The Panel notes that issues arising from betting shops were raised by residents responding to the Panel's survey and takes the view that operators have a responsibility to address such issues. The Overview and Scrutiny Committee undertook a successful review on the clustering of betting shops in 2010/11. This made recommendations on a range of issues that may be connected to betting shops, including anti social behaviour. As part of this, engagement took place between the Committee and a number of betting shop operators.

- 7.28 The Panel is of the view that the issue of betting shops should be re-visited by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and that this should focus in particular on how any anti social behaviour arising from them is addressed and include engagement with operators.

Recommendation 8:

That the Overview and Scrutiny Committee re-visit issues regarding betting shops and, in particular, how any anti social behaviour associated with them is addressed.

- 7.29 A number of residents also raised the issue of speeding cars in residential streets in response to the Panel's survey and stated that this made them feel less safe in their area. Whilst the 20 mph speed limit is a welcome initiative, there may be a need to consider further how, within current resource constraints, it can be enforced better. The scheme was introduced in February 2016 and, in the light of this, the Panel requests an update on its progress to date at a future Panel meeting so it can review its effectiveness and consider proposals for any improvements that could be made to the scheme.

Recommendation 9:

That a report be submitted to a future meeting of the Panel on progress since the implementation of the 20 mph speed limit in residential streets within the borough.

Report for: Environment and Community Safety Scrutiny Panel, 13 September 2018

Item number: 12

Title: Street Cleansing, Waste and Recycling: Current performance

Report Authorised by: David Murray, Assistant Director of Environment and Neighbourhoods

Lead Officer: Ian Kershaw, Client and commissioning Manager, Community Safety, Waste and Enforcement

Ward(s) affected: All

Report for Key/ Non Key Decision: Non Key

1. Describe the issue under consideration

1.1 This is the 6 monthly report setting out the year-to-date performance of the council's street cleansing, waste and recycling services. Key current service delivery issues are highlighted as appropriate together with any actions being taken to address these.

2. Cabinet Member introduction

2.1 This report sets out key performance statistics for the council's street cleansing, waste collection and recycling services. The principal purpose of this report is to provide the Panel with current service performance data to enable it to constructively challenge performance and suggest specific areas that might benefit from further examination or indeed a change of approach.

2.2 Street cleanliness, in particular littering, is always a key area of focus for our residents, traders and visitors to the borough. Performance levels over the two years since changing the sweeping regime have been largely sustained within contractual targets but there remains variability across the borough and we therefore need to continue to closely monitor and develop targeted actions to deal with areas where performance is below standard.

2.3 We have refreshed our programme of 'ward walkabouts' to give all ward councillors the opportunity to meet their local Veolia 'Village Manager' in charge of sweeping for the area and to discuss local needs. This programme has been enhanced by including officers from the commissioning and enforcement teams. Walks are planned for all wards with Tottenham Hale, Harringay, Crouch End, St Ann's and Fortis green having taken place to date.

3. Recommendations

3.1 That the panel consider the contents of this report and comment as necessary on current cleanliness, waste and recycling service performance and the delivery issues presently being addressed by the council.

4. Reasons for decision

4.1 It is for the Panel to make any specific recommendations having considered the contents of this report.

5. Alternative options considered

5.1 Not applicable. The council's waste and recycling services are provided by Veolia following a competitive tendering of the services in 2010. Procurement was by way of competitive dialogue, with the final agreed service secured through a contract setting out specific service requirements.

6. Background information

6.1 The performance of both the council waste collection and street cleansing services is subject to regular review at monthly council/contractor officer liaison meetings and at quarterly Waste Contract Partnership Board meetings, chaired by the Cabinet Member for Environment. Both meetings receive detailed service performance information on waste collection and street cleansing services and latest performance statistics for waste collection and recycling are detailed below.

7. Street cleanliness

7.1 The principal measure for street cleansing performance is our local environmental quality survey for litter and detritus (based on the old national indicator methodology). Contractual targets are set for the percentage of roads surveyed that are not of the required cleanliness, as defined by the guidance. Performance should lie within these failure levels (i.e. the lower the percentage the better the performance).

7.2 Performance is assessed by inspections of a representative sample of roads and different land use types in the borough. Over the course of 12 months each ward and the key road types (e.g. town centres, main roads, residential roads etc.) within the borough will have received an inspection. Inspections are carried out quarterly by the council's Client Monitoring team. This replaces a previous interim arrangement where we commissioned Keep Britain Tidy (KBT) to carry out three inspections per year. The contractor has annual targets for street cleansing and performance against these for the latest year is as follows:

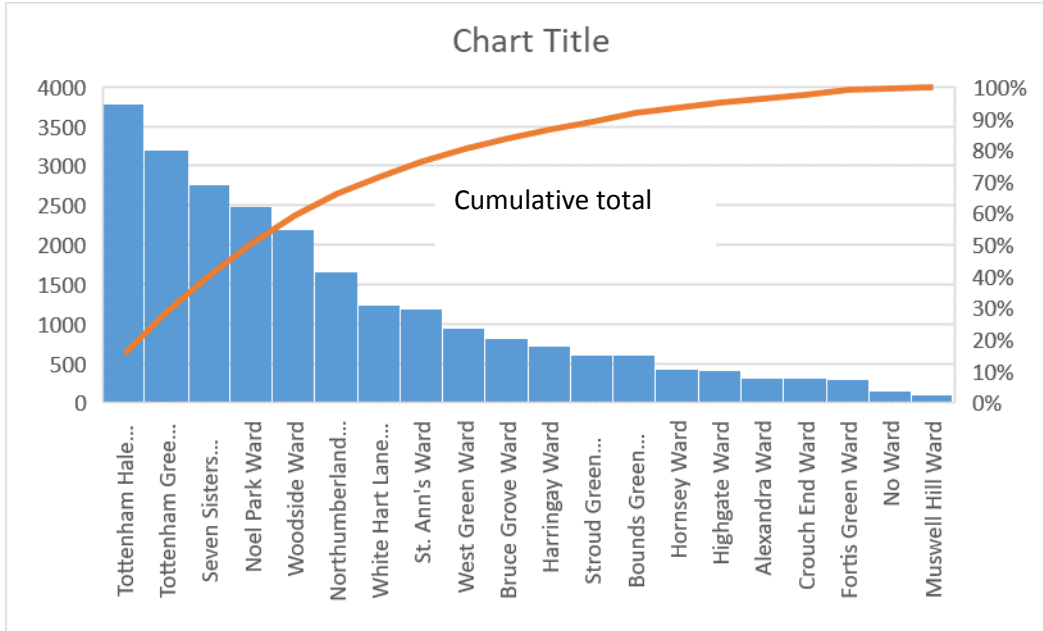
Issue	Target	Performance
Litter	11%	11.3%
Detritus	12%	12.8%
Graffiti	4%	3.79%
Fly-posting	3%	1.88%

7.3 Following the KBT monitoring we put more focus on day of sweep monitoring around litter and detritus. This has provided good evidence of the quality of work carried out on the day of service by Veolia operatives. The monitoring has where possible been carried out jointly with Veolia village managers and has been used to improve performance. This approach has shown an improvement in standards of sweep around detritus scores. Despite changes to the street sweeping regime in 2016 satisfaction with street cleansing has improved from 62% to 66%. However as the recent scrutiny review showed it is more challenging to maintain clean streets

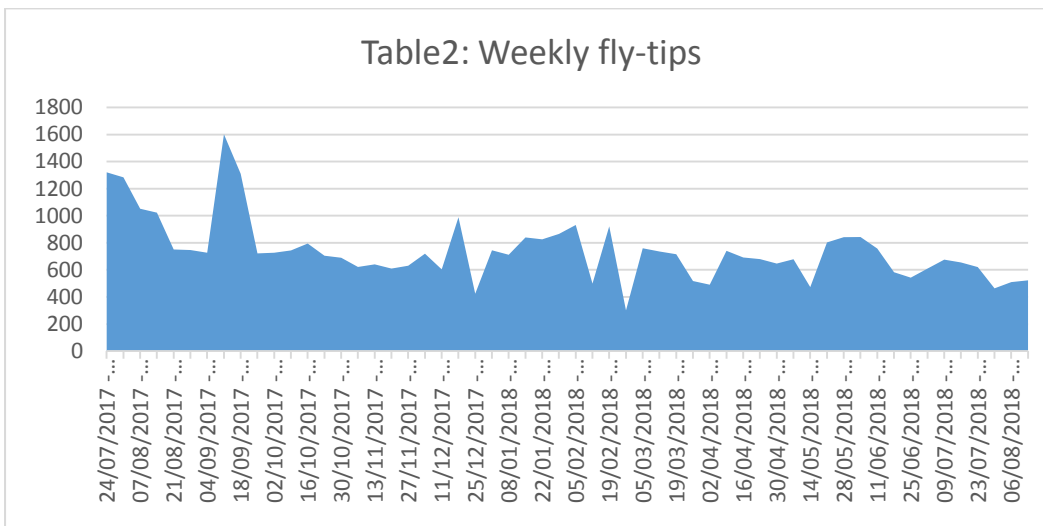
where population density and churn is higher. Options for a different approach to service delivery are being worked through for Members to consider.

8. Flytipping

8.1 The tables below show fly-tipping trends:



8.2 Table 1 shows fly-tipping by ward from November 2017 to April 2018. It demonstrates that some wards suffer disproportionately from the issue. Four wards account for more than 50% of all fly-tips. There are also hotspots within wards. The data will include some double counting as individual fly-tips will have been reported by different residents and officers.



8.3 Table 2 shows fly-tips per week from July 2017 to August 2018. The overall trend is a slight reduction. We would expect to see fly-tipping increase with the hours of daylight. The data will include some double counting as individual fly-tips will have been reported by different residents and officers.

8.4 Clearance of flytips has on average continued to be within the timescales specified by the contract - 6 hours for main roads and town centres and 1 working day for residential and industrial roads.

8.5 The bulk of our fly-tipping (over 80%) is residential in origin. Of this a significant proportion comprises black bags and carrier bags. Our hotspot approach to fly-tipping is being refined. The council, with Veolia and other stakeholders has adopted a holistic approach to fly-tipping. This involves engagement with residents, landlords and traders in hotspot areas, redesign where possible and follow-on enforcement. We are trialling different communications and engagement with residents. Experience to date suggests that the more we are able to tailor communications to a specific area the more successful they are. The most successful areas are championed and owned by residents.

9. Missed collections

9.1 The in-year target for missed collections per 100,000 households for refuse collections target was 75. We achieved 41.5. The target for missed collections per 100,000 households for recycling collections in Year 7 target was 75. We achieved 73.6. A reliable waste collection service is a key driver of resident satisfaction.

10. Recycling

10.1 Our recycling rate rose from 26% in 2011 to a high of 37% in 2014/15. This was mainly due to our move to fortnightly collection of residual waste and weekly collection of recycling. This helped incentivise residents to recycle more. It has subsequently reduced by a few percentage points largely because of changes in classification which have affected all authorities. Performance continues to be significantly affected by a change in law which led to recycling processing companies adopting much stricter sampling regimes, leading to a higher number of rejected loads. The number of loads being rejected has continued to increase. A joint recycling action plan, led by Veolia and supported by council officers is in place which includes specific actions to mitigate the impact referred to above. The plan also includes actions to increase recycling from estates, increase food waste collections from kerbside properties and minimise the amount of refuse that is disposed of. Our recycling rate for 2017/18 has fallen to 33.2% against a target of 37.2%. Our contractor is incentivised to increase recycling as they incur financial penalties when the target is missed. Comparative data for other boroughs is not yet available but our recycling trends to date are in line with the experience of similar boroughs.

6 Contribution to strategic outcomes

7.1 The actions set out in this report contribute to a clean and safe borough where people are proud to live.

7 Statutory Officers comments (Chief Finance Officer (including procurement), Assistant Director of Corporate Governance, Equalities)

Finance and Procurement

8.1 There are no specific financial implications arising from this report.

Legal

8.2 There are no specific Legal implications arising from this report.

Equality

8.3 There are no specific Equalities implications arising from this report.

Use of Appendices

10.1. None.

Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

11.1 None.

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Report for: Environment and Community Safety Scrutiny Panel – 13
September 2018

Title: Work Programme Development 2018-19

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Ward(s) affected: N/A

**Report for Key/
Non Key Decision:** N/A

1. Describe the issue under consideration

1.1 This report reports on the development of the Panel's work plan for 2018/20.

2. Recommendations

That the Panel:

- 2.1 Consider potential issues for inclusion within the work plan for 2018 - 20 for further discussion at the Scrutiny Café on 13 September and referral to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting on 2 October; and
- 2.2 Note potential items for the Panel meeting on 16 October and agree any additional items that they may wish to add to the agenda for this.

3. Reasons for decision

- 3.1 Each scrutiny panel is required to develop a work plan on the areas and issues that it wishes to look at for the year for recommendation to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee. In putting this together, they need to have regard to their capacity to deliver the programme and officers' capacity to support them in that task.

4. Approach

Introduction

- 4.1 The Overview and Scrutiny Committee is responsible for developing an overall scrutiny work programme, including work for its four standing scrutiny panels. Careful selection and prioritisation of its work is important if scrutiny is to be successful in achieving outcomes.
- 4.2 An effective scrutiny work programme should reflect a balance of activities:
- Holding the Executive to account;

- Policy review and development – reviews to assess the effectiveness of existing policies or to inform the development of new strategies;
- Performance management – identifying under-performing services, investigating and making recommendations for improvement;
- External scrutiny – scrutinising and holding to account partners and other local agencies providing key services to the public; and
- Public and community engagement – engaging and involving local communities in scrutiny activities and scrutinising those issues which are of concern to the local community.

4.3 An effective work programme should;

- Reflect local needs and priorities – issues of community concern as well as Corporate Plan and Medium Term Financial Strategy priorities;
- Be selective. It will not be possible to cover everything;
- Draw on evidence available;
- Prioritise issues that have most impact or benefit to residents;
- Involve local stakeholders; and
- Is flexible enough to respond to new or urgent issues.

4.4 Scrutiny work can be carried out in a variety of ways and use whatever format that is best suited to the issue under consideration. This can include a variety of “one-off” reports as well as in-depth scrutiny review projects that provide an opportunity to investigate issues thoroughly. It is nevertheless important that there is a balance between depth and breadth of work undertaken so that resources can be used to their greatest effect. There is finite capacity as well so the work programme that is set will should also be achievable

4.5 Once the work programme is agreed, there are both formal and informal systems in place to monitor the work programme. Regular agenda planning meetings with the Chair and senior officers and discussion at Committee will provide an opportunity to discuss the scope and approach to each area of inquiry.

Approach for 2018/19

4.6 At its meeting on 4 June, the Overview and Scrutiny Committee approved a report outlining the proposed approach to the development of a two-year work plan for the Committee and its panels, which also provides sufficient flexibility to add any matters of significance that may arise within this time. This included measures to ensure that the views of residents and stakeholders are taken into account in developing, including the setting up of a “Scrutiny Café” event.

4.7 Following further discussion, the following was agreed by the Committee at its meeting on 23 July;

- All Panel Chairs to meet informally with relevant directors and Cabinet Members before the August recess for a preliminary discussion about priorities and challenges for the year ahead and potential areas for their Panels to focus on;

- The September round of Panel meetings to consider provisional items for inclusion in work programmes and, in particular, items for their October meetings. This will be informed by the following items on each Panel agenda:
 - An overview of service areas covered;
 - A performance update on the Corporate Priorities that each Panel covers; and
 - Cabinet Member Questions. This to focus, in particular, on key priorities within portfolios
- Scrutiny Café outcomes to be fed into the draft work plan before it is submitted to O&S for approval on 2 October.

4.8 The Scrutiny Café will take place on 13 September. Prior to this, suggestions will be sought from a wide range of sources, including partners, community organisations and Councillors. These will be obtained via an on-line questionnaire. Suggestions from this process as well as the provisional items identified by each of the Panels will be discussed at the Scrutiny Café. The Café will also provide an opportunity for issues not already highlighted to be raised.

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- 4.9 In considering issues for inclusion in its work plan, the Panel may wish to give particular attention to items that may be suitable for in depth review. These can be dealt with through a combination of specific evidence gathering meetings, that will be arranged as and when required, and other activities, such as visits. Potential reviews will be subject to further development, scoping, and project planning.
- 4.10 In addition to in-depth reviews, the Panel may also wish to consider “one-off” items to be dealt with at scheduled meetings of the Panel. There are already some regular and routine items, which are normally in the Panel’s work plan, such as budget scrutiny, budget monitoring and Cabinet Member Questions. In addition, the Committee can use the Forward Plan of Key Decisions to identify matters for consideration on a more immediate timescale. An outline work plan for the Panel for 2018/19 is attached as Appendix A.
- 4.11 The Chair of the Panel has suggested the following as potential areas for consideration for inclusion within the Panel’s workplan;

Environment

- Green waste charges
- Progress made against cycling recommendations.
- Maintenance and investment in children’s play areas and access to leisure facilities.
- Veolia performance - Increasing recycling rate & presentation of bins.
- Fly-tipping - (subject to conclusion of new Fly-tipping strategy).
- Enforcement.

- Review of the current planned maintenance approach including looking at earlier intervention.
- Review of the current risk based approach to reactive maintenance including appropriate intervention levels
- Review of capital and revenue funding requirements to improve highway infrastructure and encourage sustainable transport including walking and cycling.

Community Safety

- Youth Violence including young people as victims of crime.
- Gangs Matrix.
- Police cuts and introduction of BRU (6 month review following its introduction in January 2019).
- Youth service provision.
- Reducing the criminalisation of children

Next Panel Meeting

- 4.12 The Panel will need to give specific consideration to the agenda items for its meeting on 16 October as reports for this will need to be prepared *before* the overall work plan for Overview and Scrutiny is finalised by the Committee meeting on 2 October.
- 4.13 Current proposed agenda items for the meeting on 16 October are as follows:
- Community Safety Partnership. Borough Commander to be invited discuss current performance issues and priorities for the borough's Community Safety Partnership.
 - Financial Monitoring: To receive an update on the financial performance relating to Corporate Plan Priority 3.

5. Contribution to strategic outcomes

- 5.1 The contribution of scrutiny to the corporate priorities will be considered routinely as part of the OSC's work.

6. Statutory Officers comments

Finance and Procurement

- 6.1 There are no financial implications arising from the recommendations set out in this report. Should any of the work undertaken by Overview and Scrutiny generate recommendations with financial implications these will be highlighted at that time.

Legal

- 6.2 There are no immediate legal implications arising from the report.
- 6.3 In accordance with the Council's Constitution, the approval of the future scrutiny work programme falls within the remit of the OSC.
- 6.4 Under Section 21 (6) of the Local Government Act 2000, an OSC has the power to appoint one or more sub-committees to discharge any of its functions. In accordance with the Constitution, the appointment of Scrutiny Panels (to assist the scrutiny function) falls within the remit of the OSC.
- 6.5 Scrutiny Panels are non-decision making bodies and the work programme and any subsequent reports and recommendations that each scrutiny panel produces must be approved by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee. Such reports can then be referred to Cabinet or Council under agreed protocols.

Equality

- 6.6 The Council has a public sector equality duty under the Equalities Act (2010) to have due regard to:
- Tackle discrimination and victimisation of persons that share the characteristics protected under S4 of the Act. These include the characteristics of age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex (formerly gender) and sexual orientation;
 - Advance equality of opportunity between people who share those protected characteristics and people who do not;
 - Foster good relations between people who share those characteristics and people who do not.
- 6.7 The Panel should ensure that it addresses these duties by considering them within its work plan, as well as individual pieces of work. This should include considering and clearly stating;
- How policy issues impact on different groups within the community, particularly those that share the nine protected characteristics;
 - Whether the impact on particular groups is fair and proportionate;
 - Whether there is equality of access to services and fair representation of all groups within Haringey;
 - Whether any positive opportunities to advance equality of opportunity and/or good relations between people, are being realised.
- 6.8 The Panel should ensure equalities comments are based on evidence. Wherever possible this should include demographic and service level data and evidence of residents/service users views gathered through consultation.

7. Use of Appendices

Appendix A – Environment and Community Safety Scrutiny Panel –
Draft Work Plan for 2018/19

8. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

N/A

Environment and Community Safety Scrutiny Panel - Outline Work Plan 2018-19

1. Scrutiny review projects; These are dealt with through a combination of specific evidence gathering meetings that will be arranged as and when required and other activities, such as visits. Should there not be sufficient capacity to cover all of these issues through in-depth pieces of work, they could instead be addressed through a “one-off” item at a scheduled meeting of the Panel. These issues will be subject to further development and scoping. It is proposed that the Committee consider issues that are “cross cutting” in nature for review by itself i.e. ones that cover the terms of reference of more than one of the panels.

Project	Comments	Priority

Date of meeting	Potential Items
13 th September 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cabinet Member Questions; Communities, Safety and Engagement (to cover areas within the Panel’s terms of reference that are within that portfolio). • Terms of Reference. • Appointment of Non-Voting Co-opted Member.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Service Overview and Waste, recycling and street cleansing data. • Work Planning: To agree items for the work plan for the Panel for this year. • Review of Fear of Crime: Update on implementation of recommendations. • Knife Crime and MOPAC Performance Overview
16 th October 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Safety Partnership; to invite comments from the Panel on current performance issues and priorities for the borough's Community Safety Partnership (Borough Commander to be invited). To include the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Crime Performance Statistics - Update on performance in respect of the MOPAC priority areas plus commentary on emerging issues; and ○ Statistics on hate crime. • Financial Monitoring: To receive an update on the financial performance relating to Corporate Plan Priority 3.
15 th November 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cabinet Member Q&A – Environment: To question the Cabinet Member for Environment on current issues and plans arising for her portfolio. • Waste, recycling and street cleansing data
Budget Scrutiny 18 th December 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget Scrutiny • Charges for Replacement Bins and Collection of Green Waste and Bulky Items

7 th February 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cabinet Member Q&A – Communities: To question the Cabinet Member for Communities on current issues and plans arising from his portfolio.
11 th March 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Parks Review – 6-9 month follow-up.

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