

**MINUTES OF THE SAFER COMMUNITIES EXECUTIVE BOARD (HSP)
THURSDAY, 18 FEBRUARY 2010**

Present: Councillor Nilgun Canver (Chair), Jean Croot, Hywel Ebsworth, Kate Gilbert, Dave Grant, Jennifer James, Claire Kowalska, Enid Ledgister, Marion Morris, Barbara Nicholls.

In Attendance: Xanthe Barker, Michael Buraimoh, Chris Hannington, Wayne Longshaw, Rob Mack, Eliza Meechan, Yemisi Onisbere, Sonia Wilson.

MINUTE NO.	SUBJECT/DECISION	ACTION BY
HSP03.	<p>APOLOGIES</p> <p>Apologies for absence were received from the following:</p> <p>Niall Bolger Paul Bridge Jackie Thomas Peter Lewis - Jennifer James substituted Joanne McCartney Dr Ita O'Donovan Robin Payne James Slater</p> <p>The Chair noted that Kate Gilbert had recently taken over as the Probation Service's representative for Haringey and welcomed her to the meeting.</p> <p>The Chair requested that the Director of Urban Environment should be asked to arrange for a substitute to be sent in future if he was unable to attend the meeting.</p>	Xanthe Barker
HSP04.	<p>URGENT BUSINESS</p> <p>There were no items of Urgent Business.</p>	
HSP05.	<p>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</p> <p>No declarations of interest were made.</p>	
HSP06.	<p>MINUTES</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That, subject to the amendment of paragraph two of minute reference LC156 set out below, the minutes of the meeting held on 19 November 2009 were confirmed as a correct record.</p> <p>'The new representative for Haringey would be <u>Kate</u> Gilbert'.</p>	Xanthe Barker

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HSP07.	<p>PERFORMANCE AND PROJECT EXCEPTION REPORT (APRIL TO DECEMBER 2009)</p> <p>The Board received a report that provided an overview of performance against key community safety targets, including Local Area Agreement (LAA) targets, during the period April to December 2009.</p> <p>In addition to the information provided via the Council's performance management system, during the period set out above, information recorded within the Police performance scorecard up until 24 January 2010 had also been included.</p> <p>The Board was given an overview of the key highlights and successes achieved during the period including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>Overall level of recorded crime</u> – this saw a reduction of 5.6% (up to the end of January compared with the same period during the previous year).• <u>Serious acquisitive crime</u> – this had reduced by 10% in comparison with the same period last year.• <u>Personal robbery</u> – this had reduced by 7.5% in comparison with the same period last year.• <u>Domestic violence</u> – performance against the Stretch Target with respect to sanctioned detections had reached 43% at the end of January and performance was on track to meet the end of year target.• <u>Repeat victims of domestic violence</u> - at the end of the third quarter 117 instances had been recorded and it was anticipated that the Stretch Target with respect to this would be met at the end of the year.• <u>NI 21 – Perception of how well the Police and Local Authority dealt with crime and anti social behaviour (ASB)</u> - this was measured annually via the Place Survey which would be undertaken during the summer. The Home Office had commended the range of interventions in place to help improve perception and confidence. <p>The Board was advised that the target with respect to NI 40, which related to the numbers of drug users into treatment, remained challenging. Whilst there had been progress in reaching groups who had less severe problems further work was required to tackle harder to reach groups.</p> <p>It was noted that targets relating to the reduction of alcohol consumption were unlikely to be met by the end of the year. In response to a request from NHS Haringey the DAAT had devised an Action Plan setting out how this target would be addressed. In the long term it was considered that more investment was required in Primary Care to develop early interventions.</p> <p><u>Project Highlight Report</u></p> <p>The Board was advised that there had been difficulty in recruiting a</p>
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	<p>CCTV Manager. The funding available for this post had been used to provide interim cover and it was anticipated that future funding would be drawn from existing resources.</p> <p>It was noted that bids to the Problem Solving Fund, totally £8K, had been awarded by the SCEB Performance Management Group (PMG) at its last meeting.</p> <p>Due to additional funding received to deliver the Preventing Violent Extremism programme an under spend had arisen during the third quarter; however it was anticipated that this would be resolved by the end of the financial year.</p> <p>The Board was advised that the Capital Fund awarded to the Partnership for 2010/11 would be approximately £60K, which represented a 50% reduction on the 2009/10 allocation.</p> <p>The Chair noted that that whilst reducing serious violent crime continued to be challenging the progress made in addressing this during the last half-year was encouraging. She noted that she had met with a group that brought together Kurdish and other BME youths and provided a forum for them to improve cultural understanding.</p> <p>She considered that it was important that the Board encouraged young people from these communities to come to together in this way and there was agreement that there should be further discussion outside the meeting to determine how this should be taken forward.</p> <p>In response to a query as to how the Reward Funding attached to the achievement of Stretch Targets would be distributed the Board was advised that the HSP Performance Management Group (PMG) would take an overview and determine how this should be allocated. The Chair noted that it would be essential to maintain projects funded from the Area Based Grant (ABG) that played a key role in achieving LAA targets.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That the report be noted.</p>	<p>All to note</p> <p>Jean Croot / Claire Kowalska</p>
<p>HSP08.</p>	<p>SAFER COMMUNITIES PRIORITIES 2010 – 11</p> <p>The Board received a report setting out the key priorities to be addressed by the Partnership during 2010/11.</p> <p>The Board was reminded that the current Safer for All Strategy was due to expire in March 2011 and that a new strategy would be prepared during the forthcoming year.</p> <p>The proposed priority areas built on those contained within the current strategy and had also been informed by a Strategic Needs Assessment (SNA) carried out in 2009. In addition LAA targets within the Board's</p>	

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responsibility had also been reflected in the proposed priorities.

Once the priorities had been agreed, it was proposed that an Action Plan should be formed and that this should be submitted to the Board for approval at its next meeting in July.

The Board discussed the priorities proposed and it was noted that there was an increasing emphasis on addressing perception; this related not only to perceptions of crime itself, but also to how this was being addressed by the Police and Local Authority.

There was agreement that consideration should be given as to how work being done by the Partnership could be better communicated with a view to improving perceptions. It was suggested that this might include forming a marketing strategy or creating 'branding' around the Partnership.

Claire Kowalska

The Chair noted that perceptions could be improved by utilising existing events and forums to engage with local people. She noted that there were community groups within the Borough that were keen to contribute to improving safety in their local area and suggested that the Community Safety Team should identify and meet with these.

Claire Kowalska

The Chair also suggested that Community Safety Days, which had been held in the past, should be re established and held in different parts of the Borough and there was a general consensus that this would form a useful way of engaging with local residents.

Claire Kowalska

The Board discussed the mechanisms in place for consultation and the need to align these wherever possible. It was noted that the HSP had established an Engagement Group and there was agreement that a report should be submitted to the next meeting setting out how it operated.

Wayne Longshaw

Members of the Board was asked to send any further responses to the suggestions set out in the report to Jean Croot or Claire Kowalska by 26 February.

All to note

RESOLVED:

- i. That the Safer Stronger Communities Service should develop the key priorities identified into an Action Plan for 2010/11 to be submitted to the Board in July for approval.
- ii. That the appropriate partnership teams should align their Work Plans for 2010/11 with the priorities agreed.
- iii. That partners should advise Jean Croot or Claire Kowalska of any further suggestions by 26 February 2010.
- iv. That officers should consider how to take forward suggestions made by the Board, with respect to addressing public perceptions

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	<p>around crime and how the work of the partnership could be better communicated and that this should be reflected in the Action Plan.</p>	
HSP09.	<p>AREA BASED GRANT RESOURCE PLANS 2010/11</p> <p>The Board received a report that set out proposals for the allocation of Area Based Grant (ABG) and Basic Command Unit (BCU) funds for 2010/11, which would achieve efficiency savings of 10%.</p> <p>It was noted that the Board had identified 8% of savings during 2010/11 in order provide a contingency fund for 2011/12. This was considered necessary as it was likely that there would be a significant drop in the level of funding available from 2011/12 onwards.</p> <p>The Chair noted that given the current economic climate it was sensible and appropriate to review the projects in receipt of funding and to plan for likely reductions in funding.</p> <p>All identified efficiency savings are currently being held until the full financial picture for the coming year has been established. At this stage, the HSP PMG will be making a decision about its use.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That the proposed reduction from the 2009/10 allocations be approved.</p>	
HSP10.	<p>PROBATION ROLE AS NEW RESPONSIBLE BODY FROM APRIL</p> <p>The Board received a verbal update from Kate Gilbert, the new Assistant Chief Officer (ACO) for Haringey, with respect to the new statutory responsibilities placed on the Probation Service from April 2010.</p> <p>The Board was advised that the Government Office for London (GOL) was holding a conference on 26 March to discuss what the changes would mean in practice. Local Authorities had been invited to nominate three representatives to attend the conference and the Chair requested that officers liaise with Kate Gilbert to ensure that the Council was represented.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That the verbal update provided be noted.</p>	Claire Kowalska
HSP11.	<p>HARINGEY REDUCING RE-OFFENDING PROGRAMME ACTION PLAN 2010/11</p> <p>The Board received a presentation on the new Haringey Reducing Re-offending Action Plan (HARP) 2010/11.</p> <p>The Board was advised that:</p>	

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- The overall objective of the programme was to reduce re-offending amongst adult non statutory offenders living in the Borough by 10%
- The programme included a number of projects including:
 - Haringey Reducing Re-offending Network (HARREN)
 - Social Enterprise Scheme
 - 'Work Works' – training for employment providers
 - HARRP Mentoring Scheme
 - Haringey Network of Socially Responsible Employers (HANSRE)
- A Delivery Model had been established setting out the process for referring people through the system
- In the future the HARRP may be expanded to include:
 - Ex-offenders on remand
 - Offenders serving community sentences
 - Specific engagement drive aimed at female and Muslim offenders
 - Prolific and other Priority Offenders
 - Self referred ex offenders

The Board discussed the HARRP and it was noted that, as the two largest employers in the Borough, the Council and NHS Haringey would need to ensure that they had policies in place with respect to the employment of ex offenders.

It was noted that there was evidence that people were less likely to re offend when a link was maintained with the family as a whole. There was agreement that there should be further discussion outside the meeting between the Children and Young People's Service and the Community Safety Team around this.

The Chair requested that officers ensure that the programme was linked into the Council's 'Move On' strategy.

RESOLVED:

That the presentation be noted.

Jennifer
James /
Michael
Buraimoh

Michael
Buraimoh

HSP12. HARINGEY EMERGENCY ALERT SERVICE

The Board received a report that provided information on a new system being introduced to provide people with information on emergency situations.

The Board was advised that key stakeholders would be approached and asked to sign up for the service and it would also be extended to all local residents who would be able to sign up to it via the Council's

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	<p>website and other public awareness raising initiatives.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That the report be noted.</p>	
HSP13.	<p>UPDATE SAFER COMMUNITIES EXECUTIVE BOARD RISK REGISTER</p> <p>The Board received a report that sought agreement to the drafting of a Risk Register.</p> <p>The Board was advised that if they had any additional suggestions for risks that should be included within the register they should email Jean Croot.</p> <p>Following the meeting a register would be drafted and presented for approval at the next meeting.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That a Risk Register for the Safer Communities Executive Board should be drafted and presented at the next meeting.</p>	<p>All to note</p> <p>Jean Croot / Claire Kowalska</p>
HSP14.	<p>MPA JOINT ENGAGEMENT MEETING - KEY POINTS</p> <p>The Board received a verbal update from Chief Superintendent Dave Grant with respect to two MPA Joint Engagement meetings that he had attended.</p> <p>The first meeting had looked at general issues affecting each Borough and he had given a presentation on the key issues affecting Haringey. This had been well received and commended by the MPA.</p> <p>The second meeting had reviewed the approach to Domestic Violence and had been open to members of the public and there had been an opportunity for members of the public to put questions to Police officers.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That the verbal update provided be noted.</p>	
HSP15.	<p>SCRUTINY REVIEW - SUPPORT TO VICTIMS OF CRIME</p> <p>The Board received a report that set out the findings of a Scrutiny Review on the support provided to victims of crime and a verbal overview of these was also provided.</p> <p>The Board was advised that a report setting out the findings of the review would be submitted to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee (O&SC) on 15 March for approval. Once agreed this would be considered by the Council's Cabinet, which would commission a formal response to the review.</p>	

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	<p>The Chair raised concern around suggestions included within the report that male victims of Domestic Violence were not sufficiently supported. She noted that this was incorrect and that there were in fact male members of staff in place to support male victims of Domestic Violence.</p> <p>It was contended that the report illustrated a lack of knowledge around the systems in place to support victims of crime. It was noted that unlike the Police, who treated anyone reporting a crime as a victim, the Victim Support Service only worked with people fitting a certain set of criteria.</p> <p>There was agreement that members of the Board should contact Rob Mack following the meeting if there were any issues raised within the report that they had concerns about.</p> <p>The Board was advised that the Council had recently been notified by the Victim Support Service that an individual had been appointed as the contact for Haringey. Details would be circulated to the Board following the meeting.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That the report be noted.</p>	<p>All to note</p> <p>All to note</p>
<p>HSP16.</p>	<p>OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME PLANNING 2010/11</p> <p>The Board received a report that sought suggestions for Overview and Scrutiny topics to be reviewed during 2010/11.</p> <p>There was agreement that it would be helpful if the O&SC looked at the package of measures in place to improve public confidence and how the SCEB could build on this.</p> <p>It was also agreed that a review into how aware residents were of Safer Neighbourhoods Teams and their role and how this could be improved would be useful.</p> <p>The Chair requested that members of the Board should email any further suggestions for Scrutiny Review topics to Claire Kowalska.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That the report be noted.</p>	<p>All to note</p>
<p>HSP17.</p>	<p>FEEDBACK FROM SAFER COMMUNITIES AWARDS CEREMONY</p> <p>The Chair advised that the event had been successful and thanked the Community Safety Team for their hard work in organising it.</p> <p>The Board was advised that several local residents had expressed their thanks to the Chair for recognising the role that they had played in protecting their local communities from crime.</p>	

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	<p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That the verbal report be noted.</p>	
HSP18.	<p>OUTCOME OF PUBLICITY CAMPAIGNS - INCLUDING 'MY SAFER HARINGEY'</p> <p>The Board noted that the 'My Haringey' campaign was now focussing on crime and personal safety.</p> <p>The Council's Communications Team had advised that positive feedback had been received on the campaign. An evaluation of its effectiveness and impact would be undertaken and as part of this the level of calls to the numbers publicised would be reviewed.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That the verbal update be noted.</p>	
HSP19.	<p>ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR SUMMIT - PURPOSE AND PROGRAMME</p> <p>The Board was advised that this was being held on 8 March and was targeted at Registered Social Landlords, tenants and residents associations and would look at how housing providers could help tackle Anti Social Behaviour (ASB).</p> <p>The Chair noted that if any members of the Board wished to attend they should advised Claire Kowalska as soon as possible.</p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That the verbal report be noted.</p>	All to note
HSP20.	<p>NEW ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS</p> <p>No new Items of Urgent Business were received.</p>	
HSP21.	<p>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</p> <p>The Chair took the opportunity to thank members of the Board and officers for their hard work during the last year.</p>	
HSP22.	<p>DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS</p> <p>The draft dates for meetings during 2010/11, set out below, were noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8 July 2010 • 14 October 2010 • 26 January 2011 • 21 April 2011 	All to note

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The meeting closed at 12.55pm.

COUNCILLOR NILGUN CANVER

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CHAIR