

AMENDMENT TO MOTION E

The Council believes:

- The proposed closure of Muswell Hill Police Station and the loss of a 24hr service at Hornsey and Tottenham will undermine community safety and confidence in the police and make it harder for local people to report crime
- Proposed cuts to Safer Neighbourhood Teams will make local residents and businesses feel less safe and could weaken community engagement which has successfully been built up over a number of years
- The Coalition Government's 20% cuts to policing budgets and the requirement of the Met to make £537m savings by 2015 is having a damaging impact on local policing in London
- While a Home Office Minister, Lynne Featherstone MP should have done more to ensure the Met were given adequate resources to protect the future of police counters in areas like Tottenham, Hornsey and Muswell Hill

The Council notes:

- Haringey has already lost 50 PCSOs since 2010 and 2,000 policing posts have been axed across London since 2010
- Under the Mayor's Draft Policing Plan, Haringey is set to lose 58 police officers when compared to 2010 and local SNTs are facing a reduction in their dedicated resource
- The Mayor's proposals to close 65 police counters in total across the capital which will leave just one 24/7 police station in each borough - a one size fits all policy for very different needs across London
- The concerns expressed by Haringey residents about police cuts at the consultation meeting held with the Deputy Mayor of London on 25th February 2013 and in other public forums
- The Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Communities have written to the Deputy Mayor of London, Stephen Greenhalgh on behalf of the Council outlining concerns around the reduction in 24/7 police counters in Haringey and the changes to front line policing

The Council resolves:

- To continue to lobby the Deputy Mayor and MOPAC demanding 24/7 police counters be maintained in Tottenham and Hornsey
- To call for a police base to be maintained for the local Safer Neighbourhood team in Muswell Hill, including a police counter service
- To lobby against any further reductions in PCSOs and front line police officers in all of Haringey's wards

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