

Community Safety Partnership Membership**Date and Time:** Wednesday 29th March 2023, 10:00am-13:00pm**Venue:** Microsoft Teams

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**Safer Neighbourhood Board
No update report provided**

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Breslin,
Joanne
Kitching
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15. Date of Next Meeting

Community Safety Partnership
Wednesday 09 December 2023, 10.00-
13.00pm
BLC Conference Room
Chair: Detective Superintendent East Area
BCU Stuart Bell

Membership

Name	Post title	Organisation
Cllr Syed Ghani (Chair)	Cabinet Member for Enforcement and Community Safety	London Borough of Barking and Dagenham (LBBB)
Stuart Bell (Interim Chair)	Detective Superintendent East Area BCU	Metropolitan Police Service (MPS)
Fiona Taylor (Deputy Chair)	Chief Executive	LBBB
April Bald	Operational Director, Childrens' Care and Support	LBBB
Clare Brutton	Head of Commissioning Disabilities	LBBB
Steve Calder	Head of Service, Barking, Dagenham and Havering	The Probation Service
Matthew Cole	Director of Public Health	LBBB
Jennie Coombes	Head of Service	Be First
Narinder Dail	Borough Commander	London Fire Brigade (LFB)
Angela D'Urso	Domestic Violence Improvement Lead	LBBB
Matthew Feather	Inspector, East Area BCU Partnership and Prevention	MPS
Angie Fuller	Head of YJS, Missing and Exploitation, Childrens' Care and Support	LBBB
Zahid Iqbal	Designated Professional for Safeguarding Adults	NHS North East London ICB
Daniel James	Senior Intelligence and Analytics Officer	LBBB
Gary Jones	Operational Director for Enforcement, Regulatory Services and Community Safety	LBBB
Alexandra Joseph	Senior Independent Domestic Violence Advisor	Victim Support
Cllr Elizabeth Kangethe	Cabinet Member for Educational Attainment and School Improvement	LBBB
David Lingard	Community Safety Operations Manager	LBBB
Chris Lyons	Community Safety Partnership Team Manager	LBBB
Kevin Makambe	Head of Triage Lifecycle	LBBB
Sarah Robertson		Barking and Dagenham Council for Voluntary Service (BDCVS)
Pip Salvador-Jones	Director	Barking and Dagenham Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB)
Nathan Singleton	CEO LifeLine Projects	BD Collective
Cllr Maureen Worby	Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Health Integration	LBBB

Alison Stuart

Chief Legal Officer

LBBB

Non-LBBD Advisers

Name	Post title	Organisation
Isabella Kennedy	MOPAC Link Officer	Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime (MOPAC)
Jo Roebuck	Programme Manager, London Alcohol, Drugs and Tobacco	Department of Health Care Services
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Community Safety Partnership Board
Wednesday 28th June 2023, 10.00-13.00, Barking Learning Centre

Members Present: Stuart Bell (Chair), Cllr Ghani, Cllr Kangethe, Cllr Worby, David Rhodes, Gary Jones, Julia Kanji, Ben Forbes, April Bald, Matthew Cole, Angela D'urso, Ilirjeta Buzoku (NOTE TAKER), Amolak Tatter, Clare Brutton, Jill Williams, Simon Cornwall

Apologies: Angie Fuller, Fiona Taylor, Steve Calder, Isabella Kennedy, Daniel Bacon, Jennie Coombes, Alison Stuart, Daniel James

1. Introductions and Apologies for Absence

Chief Superintendent Stuart Bell opened the June 2023 Community Safety Partnership (CSP) Board and apologies were noted.

2. Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest to note.

3. Minutes and Action Log (March 2023)

Outstanding actions from March 2023 CSP:

- **ACTION** – All CSP members need to sign and return the ISA (Information Sharing Agreement) and return to Jeta (**Outstanding**)
- **ACTION** – Steven Calder to meet with Angie Fuller to discuss children's and adults resettlement panel. (**Outstanding**)

4. 5 – Year Substance Misuse Plan and Cultural Competencies Update

- The Council is reviewing the way in which it thinks about and delivers strategies and services to best engage with and meet the needs of the resident population in 2023.
- To our knowledge this is the first time a cultural competency assessment has been completed by a London borough. It follows on from the recent substance misuse needs assessment which found under-representation of certain ethnic cohorts in treatment when compared with the general borough profile.
- Via consultation with local professionals, this review examined:
 - The reasons global majority residents may be reluctant to access services.
 - How key strategic partners across local authority departments, criminal justice, health, and voluntary sector have adapted their policies and working practices to engage with/ meet the needs of different communities
 - Which communities services are struggling to engage with.
 - What more could be done.

- Key findings of the review:
 - No uniform standard for collection of ethnicity data
 - No lived experience input from faith/global majority communities into the review.
 - Many agencies have no influence over the ethnicity profile of their service users.
 - Some shift observed in the ethnicity profile of service users in the past 5 years.
 - Most prevalent barrier to accessing services perceived as language.
 - Gypsy Roma Travellers (GRT)/ Irish Travellers and Eastern Europeans cited as communities hardest to engage.
 - Some successes cited engaging Youth Offenders, Eastern European, Rough sleepers, and LGBTQ communities.
 - Every one of the surveyed organisations completed some form of Equality Diversity & Inclusion (EDI) or Unconscious bias training on an annual mandatory basis.

- 10 recommendations made as a part of this review:
 1. Consider this review as part of the wider suite of Barking & Dagenham Council strategies and policies re Equality Diversity and Inclusion:
 2. Consider cultural competency when reviewing/updating organisational Strategies and Policies
 3. Continue to seek out lived experience insights from Faith/global majority communities to feed into reviews.
 4. Embed Standardised collection of ethnicity data
 5. Agreed/shared definition of cultural competency across Barking & Dagenham
 6. Convene an event to promote cultural competency
 7. Organisations to strive to be more culturally competent following the principles identified in this review and the collated best practice.
 8. Continue to address language barriers.
 9. Address potential unmet need in specific communities.
 10. Maintain commitment to Induction/ annual training around topics which nurture cultural competence such as

Councillor Worby suggests that this plan and the recommendations within it must go through the proper governance process in order to agree recommendations and agree the 'global majority' term within the plan as a council. While the plan has come through to the CSP it has not gone through cabinet and this plan must be looked at in the wider context. There are issues in engagement with eastern Europeans as one example of a hard to reach group and within the ethnicity data breakdown eastern Europeans are categorised as 'White Other,' which is not representative.

Clare confirmed that that terms within the plan had been discussed at the STAR Work Group and that there was no universal categorisation of ethnicity. In terms of the plan, the UK government standard of population, ethnicity, culture, and language had been adopted.

Stuart Bell confirms with Clare Brutton that they are seeking from CSP partners comments in relation to next steps of the plan and assures Cllr Worby's comments will be implemented. Stuart Bell reflects on the plan and states that within the Casey Report and wider police work there are issues in engaging with various cohorts of the community.

Matthew Cole highlighted that in order to gauge service impact providers must be recording the ethnicity and culture of clients and questioned whether the metrics of this recording of data is going to be changed.

Stuart Bell suggested as a part of this work that the recording of data in relation to ethnicity should be as similar as possible across the board as to ensure a standardised data set.

Matthew Cole suggested that at a very basic level the ethnicity criteria should be done the same way across the partnership.

Stuart Bell announced that Gary Jones and David Rhodes are working together to develop joint service provision through the boroughs community hubs in order to increase resident engagement.

April Bald agreed that getting feedback from the partnership around the consultants 10 recommendations is sensible. During the process of producing an anti-racist practices for staff it was notable that defining what cultural competence was how this translate across the partnerships service delivery. Intersectionality of ethnicity, gender and age need to be applied and In particular there are increased barriers to women and girls accessing drug and alcohol services.

Clare Brutton acknowledges that the offer is not perfect and that she looks forward to working with partners to hear their thoughts and feedback. Clare Brutton will link in with her Director and elected members in order to reflect on comments made today.

Cllr Ghani noted that emphasis should be made on recruiting ethnic minority staff and funding translators for ethnic minority clients. Cllr Ghani suggests that this work should receive further support for interactive data mapping work.

Matthew Cole suggested to view what the approach of sister boroughs are taking in tackling drug and alcohol misuse.

Amolak Tatter responded that the sister boroughs have begun thinking about doing a similar strand of work ad that LBBD's learning can also be shared to other boroughs. Clare Brutton also confirmed that the consultant's contact details have been shared with neighbouring boroughs.

ACTION – Clare Brutton and Amolak Tatter to reach out to Yasir (Police – Senior Lead for Communities and Engagement) through David Rhodes and link in on how to increase community engagement with hard to reach communities.

ACTION – Clare and Amolak to engage with partnership where appropriate to seek further feedback around plans recommendations

ACTION – Partners to go away and review the 10 recommendations within the plan and provide feedback at September's CSP, where if all agree the recommendations can be agreed.

ACTION – Clare Brutton to link in with the work Gary Jones and David Rhodes around the joint service provision to get insight around community engagement activity.

5. Substance Misuse Services Procurement Update

- Approval was sought and granted at Cabinet for the Procurement of Substance Misuse Services.
- The profile of drug use is drastically changing and varies from different cohorts of people in terms of age, ethnicity, and gender.
- Younger people tend to misuse cannabis, MDA, alcohol
- Adults 45+ is seen to use cocaine and heroin predominantly
- There are barriers in providing services for drug and alcohol misuse for women due to these women having the misconception that if they receive alcohol and drug related support that their children will be taken away by social services.
- It is also difficult to engage with certain parts of the community such as ethnic minorities as well as the LGBTQ+ community due to a lack of trust and relationship building.
- The provider needs to be successful in adapting to all these different cohorts varying needs and must be the one to go out into the community to engage and offer services rather than wait for clients to come to them.
- The timeline for the substance and misuse service procurement is:
 - The specification for bidding goes live in July 2023
 - Evaluation of bids will commence in October 2023
 - Successful providers will be awarded contracts in November/December 2023
 - Service delivery will commence from 1st April 2024.

Matthew Cole commented that there is a process in place to iron out similar issues in neighbouring boroughs and ensuring that support for individuals presenting in custody receive a treatment plan tailored to them.

Clare Brutton also informed that there is now a dual diagnosis process in place whereby a presenting individual can receive mental health diagnosis as well as receiving a treatment plan as a result of their substance misuse. This means that an individual will not require to be free from substance use before receiving mental health diagnosis and support.

Amolak Tatter noted that the council had been working with the DWP and there has been a seconded worker that supports people in getting into employment which could subsequently tackle drug and alcohol misuse as an underlying factor.

6. Serious Violence Duty Implementation Update

- The Serious Violence Duty requires the CSP to produce a needs assessment outlining the trends and patterns of serious violence within the borough as well as a corresponding strategy outlining how serious violence will be tackled. These pieces of work need to be produced by 31st December 2023.
- LBBB's violence and vulnerability plan is being updated currently and will need a refresh once the Serious Violence needs assessment is produced.
- The Serious Violence Group working group met Friday 23rd June and worked through the following:
 - Co-ordinating with Daniel James on how partners can best fill the gaps in order to effectively produce a needs assessment – actions were assigned to partners for Jeta to follow up with.
 - Redbridge's Community Safety Partnership Manager updated the working group on the co-commissioning of detached outreach on Ilford Lane where young people from different boroughs such as local, LBBB and Newham young people are often found to commit serious violent crime.

April Bald asked who is commissioning the detached outreach and what provider had been commissioned to provide the service. Jeta Buzoku informed that Redbridge is co-commissioning Box-Up following on the agreement that LBBB's CSP contribute their Serious Violence funding (2022/23) to this work to tackle a joint serious violence issue. Detached outreach delivery will begin from 1st July 2023 for a period of 12-months and LBBB will be invited to monitoring meetings to ensure that the CSP is getting what they want out of the service.

Stuart Bell questioned If the Serious Violence Working Group will act as a task and finish group until the needs assessment and strategy is produced. Jeta Buzoku confirmed that this was the case.

7. Baroness Casey Review findings and action plan & Inspection of the Metropolitan Police Service's response to lessons from the Stephen Port murders

- The Baroness Casey Review was commissioned to examine the Met's culture and standards following a wake of policing scandals.
- An action plan has been produced in response to the review's findings:
 - Changing the culture implemented within the Met workforce,
 - Creating a new offer for women and children

- Building Trust with London's Communities to restore consent
- A new police deal for Londoners
- New leadership and new management
- New oversight and accountability
- Showing London that reform is working

Stuart Bell acknowledges and agrees with all findings in the Casey Report. Stuart Bell also states that while the Commissioner also agrees with the Casey report it is not wholly agreed upon that there are institutional issues within the Met due to an individual's interpretation of the term and the term changing in definition over time – Stuart Bell stated that if one can agree with the report then the whole report, including the reference to institutional all issues must be accepted.

Stuart Bell stated that Neighbourhood Superintendents (David Rhodes) has been placed in LBBB to ensure effective oversight rather than having one Superintendent overseeing three East BCU boroughs. There has also been an accelerated process of charging police officers and firing them from the Met workforce following an increase in reporting from police and further investigations. Tackling violence against women and girls remains the Met's number one priority and this has been met with an uplift of public protection details with the implementation of 50 new posts that will tackle cases of rape, sexual assault and other VAWG related crimes.

Matthew Cole asked how Stuart Bell can ensure that the culture within your service is safe for women and girls.

Stuart Bell responded that within his workforce there are 1700 officers which represent the most diverse workforce out of all the BCU's and work is underway in reconnecting with all cohorts within the workforce. There is an existing board that examines data that looks at what proportion of groups are promoted and those that go through disciplinary services. A dialogue has started with ethnic minority and female officers in order to guide how the service can change.

David Rhodes highlighted that there is an engagement plan in place which includes police attendance of the Safer Neighbourhood Board and Ward panels. David Rhodes notes it is important to improve partnership working and that increased police presence in communities is desirable though with scarce resources only high-harm areas can be prioritised. Comms work has increased through newsletters, Twitter, other social media, and there is plans to hold 4 public meetings a year in order to further understand the needs of communities.

April Bald acknowledges the work of the police and the efforts of increasing neighbourhood policing and engagement and that this should start to build trust. In relation to the 50 additional MET jobs to tackle VAWG cases, April Bald suggested that joint partnership training should be offered in order to ensure partnership working and information sharing.

Stuart Bell agrees with April Bald and states that these 50 new roles should be filled with experienced professionals.

Councillor Worby stated that within the LBBD community, nothing happened to the police officers that were involved in the Steven Port Case and especially when anniversaries such as Stephen Laurence's comes around it reinforces negative emotions amongst residents towards the police – which will be difficult to change. However, sometimes it would be useful if the police were to make a gesture addressing these issues. For example when the Domestic Abuse Commission was underway the police wouldn't attend the joint training that was offered. Victims that were contributing to the commissions wanted all agencies including police to listen and adopt the 'We Believe You' message and want police especially, to believe victims when they make a domestic related report.

Stuart Bell responded that the police and Redbridge are doing joint work in Ilford Town Centre with the 'It's Got To Stop' campaign and has asked David Rhodes to see if the same can be implemented in Barking Town Centre. This would be a big gesture by the police and a message that targets perpetrators rather than telling women to change their behaviour.

Angela d'Urso highlighted that the police working with the council in the VAWG space are really engaging and are doing a brilliant job.

Stuart Bell asks that he did not know why police officers did not join that particular joint meeting but asks that if there are any officers that show arrogance attitudes to inform him immediately.

Angela d'Urso notes that tackling VAWG is not just a police issue but requires partnership working. Locally, programmes like Support2Safety is being supported by referrals made into the service by the police which is making a huge difference already. However, officers seem too often be hamstrung by Met protocols, so what wants to be done locally by officers can be difficult at times.

Clare Brutton suggests a joint training piece of work could be done in the way in which policing approach individuals with autism and disabilities. Stuart Bell advises that Clare link in with Yasir around this piece of work.

Gary Jones notes that since David Rhodes has come into post as Neighbourhood Superintendent that there has been a large improvement in communication, partnership working and information working. Gary Jones and Stuart Bell met with LBBD's council leader last week to discuss how council and police will work strategically together and how this will be linked into operational community safety services.

(i) Stephen Port Inquiry Update:

- IOPC reinvestigated 17 officers who were originally identified having made mistakes or misconduct during the first investigation over the last year.
- For 11 of these officers it was found that the appropriate decision was made and there should be no conduct.
- For 6 of them felt they should be subject to misconduct, 4 of them are left serving but are not local officers.

- The IOPC are going to reinvestigate an increased number of people involved in the case – more than the original 17 investigated
- LGBTQ groups advisory groups advise at the Gold group and there is a LGBT officer who reconnects with community groups asking how police can restore trust with the police in order to close that gap in confidence that's been made by this event
- Stuart has met with family and partners of victims and have managed their expectations that around how long the outcome of the investigation can take and how it may not be an outcome that will be welcome by the victim's family and partners.

Cllr Worby welcomes the response of the police from the police and locally as partners we should show the community that we are confident in the shift in policing. We also as a council struggle to connect with the LGBTQ+ community and often this community go to LGBTQ+ events in other boroughs but not in LBBD.

Cllr Ghani announced that there is a Pride March through Barking on Saturday.

8. Anti-social behaviour Policy and Procedure

Ben Forbes outlined the amendments that have been made to the Anti-social behaviour Policy and Procedure:

- **Removed** - Cases of illegal drug use, production, or supply when there is no associated ASB. residents will be advised to report such issues to The Metropolitan Police
- **Making a report of hate crime** - definition of hate crime, list of characteristics or perceived characteristics, examples of hate crime and contact details included to make a report. The Council's equality objectives are part of the new Corporate Plan this has been detailed. Following a hate crime we would work to support the resident.
- **Domestic Abuse (New section)** - Content from the domestic abuse commission report, the domestic abuse improvement programme plan and the domestic abuse practitioner's toolkit have been added.
- **Community Trigger (New section)** - Community trigger information and online link made available to public.
- **Types of Anti-Social Behaviour**
 - Amended: Information on when domestic abuse is reported to us, clarification that this is investigated by tenancy sustainment (TS) and the process followed, this has been consulted with the TS team and the correct process implemented in the policy.
- **Preventive action:**
 - Removed: Completing pre-tenancy checks, housing people appropriately and having a robust sign-up process with clear expectations of behaviour. Not dealt with by the ASB team and as such removed from policy.

- **Equality Impact Assessment** – all required information on the EAI has been updated following the changes and included.

Ben Forbes noted that tackling ASB requires partnership working across the board and in particular receiving early intel from the police in relation to gangs and serious youth violence would help community safety officers prevent escalation.

April Bald also commented that while it is understandable police cannot share all of the information they have, it would be beneficial to increase information sharing from a police and council perspective in order to achieve a shared goal of tackling ASB and gang-related crime.

Stuart questioned if there is an existing ASB MARAC panel. Ben Forbes responded that LBBD have a standing case forum that he is looking to change and evolve so it's under the MARAC banner. Angela d'Urso offered to help with this work as there are some cases that go to MARAC that shouldn't be in

ACTION – David Rhodes to work with gangs team to identify where the gaps are with information sharing (CLOSED)

ACTION – Ben Forbes to bring update on ASB MARAC to September's CSP (CLOSED)

9. RESTRICTED: Domestic Homicide Review Update

Item restricted due to sensitive information

10. RESTRICTED: Domestic Abuse Update

Item restricted due to sensitive information

11. RESTRICTED: Prevent Update

Item restricted due to sensitive information

12. Forward Plan

- CCTV Update – Arfan Naseem
- 5 – Year Substance Misuse Plan and Cultural Competencies Update – Partner review
- Community Safety Partnership Plan Annual Review – Jade Hodgson
- Serious Violence Duty and Violence and Vulnerability Plan - Jade Hodgson
- Council and Police Update on work tackling knife crime – David Rhodes & Gary Jones
- Crime and Disorder Strategic Assessment – Daniel James
- Domestic Homicide Review Update – Jeta Buzoku
- Domestic Abuse Update – Angela d'Urso
- Prevent Update – Simon Cornwall
- LGA Peer Review of Safeguarding Children's Partnership Arrangements – April Bald

13.AOB

- Contextual Safeguarding & Exploitation and YOS Board
- Hate Crime, Intolerance and Extremism
- VAWG
- Tasking Group
- Managing Offenders
- RESTRICTED: Safer Neighbourhood Board Update
- RESTRICTED: Safeguarding Boards (LSCB/SAB Updates)

Stuart Bell notes that all the sub-group reports have been circulated to board members for reading and opens the room to ask if there is any update that sub-group leads want to present. Sub-group leads did not have anything additional to present that was not included in their reports.

14. Next Board Meeting

Community Safety Partnership Board
Wednesday 29th September, 10:00am-13:00pm
Microsoft Teams
CHAIR: Cllr Syed Ghani

COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP

REPORT

Subject: Primary Young Peoples Safety Summit

Date: Wednesday 27th September 2023

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1. Purpose of Presenting the Report and Decisions Required

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to update the Community Safety Partnership (CSP) on the young people safety summit held at Jo Richardson Community School on 4th July 2023.
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2. Overview

- 2.1 Update report attached.

3. List of Appendices:

Appendix 1: Young Peoples Safety Summit Report

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Young People's Safety Summit, 4th July 2023 – summary report

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1. Background

1.1 At the request of the Barking and Dagenham Safeguarding Children's Partnership, the first Young People's Safety Summit aimed at the Primary School Phase was held at Jo Richardson Community School on the 4th July 2023. The Summit acts as a vehicle to explore contextual safeguarding with young people. All primary schools, plus members of the Safeguarding Children's Partnership, were invited to have representation at the Summit.

1.2 Young people were asked to identify, discuss and record safe and unsafe spaces within school and community domains, with reasons also being recorded. They also explored a contextual safeguarding scenario centred around their peer group. This was based around a secondary aged scenario designed by the University of Bedfordshire as part of the borough's participation in the University's Contextual Safeguarding pilot. For the school and community domains, maps of their schools and of the wider borough were used to facilitate discussion and record young people's views. For the school domain, teachers and adults other than teachers stepped away from the tables to ensure that young people felt free to express their views.

1.3 A presentation from the Future Youth Zone helped signpost young people to local positive activity provision, alongside a presentation on Summer holiday programmes such as Schools Out, Get Active and the Holiday Activity and Food Programme. Young people were rewarded with goodie bags for their attendance, which included the offer a free session at the Youth Zone.

1.4 The Summit concluded with all young people recording one action they will take as a result of the session, one action they would like other organisations to take.

2. Attendance

2.1 43 young people attended, drawn from the following schools:

Dorothy Barley Junior

Gascoigne Primary

Goresbrook

Grafton Primary

Hunters Hall Primary

James Cambell Primary

John Perry Primary

Manor Junior

Marsh Green Primary

Riverside

St Joseph's Catholic Primary (Dagenham)

Sydney Russell

Valance Primary

Three additional schools had confirmed their attendance but unfortunately withdrew just before the event largely due issues related to the national teachers' strike which was planned for the following day. As well as teacher representatives, the following professionals attended and played an active part in the Summit:

Kate Byrne – NEL Integrated Care Board

Ben Forbes – Community Safety Operations Manager.

As the Local Authority's OFSTED ILACS was under way during the summit, a number of professionals were also unable to attend on the day.

3. Outcomes

Peer/ friendship group

3.1 To touch on aspects of contextual safeguarding, a peer/ friendship group activity was delivered, based on the secondary summit activity designed by the University of Bedfordshire as part of their contextual safeguarding pilot programme with Barking and Dagenham. The activity set out a hypothetical scenario centred around a character who is a friend. The name Riley was deliberately chosen to allow the scenario to apply to a female or male character. The scenario was as follows:

You are friends with Riley and have grown up together in the same area. You have noticed they have started to hang around with a much older group and staying out late. Sometimes they miss school and you rarely see them in the holidays.

You are worried about your friend as you think the older group could get them into trouble or something bad could happen. Riley is still friendly when you see them and reassures you that you are still friends. But it has been a few months now and you want to help your friend as you know members of this older group have got into trouble with the police.

What would you do and what would you want adults to do?

3.2 Groups of young people were then asked to respond to a number of questions related to how they would respond. The questions and responses are set out in Appendix 1.

3.3 The responses show that young people would overwhelmingly take action in speaking to an adult to support Riley as they are concerned for their welfare. This is strikingly different from Secondary Safety Summit responses, where many young people are reticent to talk to any adults for fear of being seen as a 'snitch'. Many young people also said they would talk to Riley directly. However, it's interesting to note that even at this age, one young person responded that they wouldn't tell an adult 'so it keeps me out of trouble and it doesn't get me involved so I am safe'.

3.4 The adults that young people would tell are generally restricted to teachers and parents, with one young person suggesting 'I wouldn't tell anyone in school as it is none of their business but I would tell a trusted teacher'. When asked about what can be done to support young people in scenarios like this to keep them safer, young people did suggest roles that support young people's mental health, such as a mental health advisor or therapist. This demonstrates a good level of awareness at such a young age, but also perhaps an appreciation that the risk of serious youth violence is public health issue. Trusted adults/ mentors were also seen as significant.

Community

3.5 Scans of the young people's views of safe and unsafe spaces in the community by school, are given in Appendix 2. The most commonly identified areas deemed unsafe by young people across schools (i.e. over a third) were:

Dagenham Heathway

Becontree Heath (including around Morrisons)

Dagenham East

Barking Town Centre

3.6 There was a general consensus that school was a safe space. A number of responses referred to spaces being safe during the day but not at night. These included Mayesbrook and Pondfield Park. Young people saw some other outdoor spaces as being safe, including Ripple Nature Reserve, Creekmouth, and Valence Park. Interestingly some young people identified Marks Gate as a safe area. This is in direct contrast to secondary aged pupils who were perhaps responding to recent incidences of serious youth violence which younger pupils will not have known about.

3.7 Young people reported feeling safer in areas where they knew there was CCTV. Areas of high congestion, such as the A13, were raised as areas of concern. As with the secondary summit, many young people were able to identify very specific streets and locations where they felt unsafe due to issues of drug dealing and gang violence. It is important to look into these further. Dagenham Heathway and Barking Town Centre being cited as amongst the most common areas young

people feel unsafe mirrors the secondary summit, with Dagenham Heathway featuring particularly strongly in both (a change over time). However, Becontree Heath did not feature significantly in the secondary summit and is significant to note.

Schools

3.8 As with the consultation around safe and unsafe spaces in the community, maps were provided to young people in their school groups to enable them to discuss and visually identify specific safe and unsafe spaces in schools. Maps were also provided to teachers and pupils and teachers were asked to identify safe and unsafe spaces. Adults were asked to leave the tables when pupils did this so that young people could speak freely. This also enabled teachers to measure their own perceptions of where the unsafe spaces in school might be against those identified by their pupils.

3.9 Young people's responses regarding their own schools have been captured in the same format as the community responses. However, as this information is sensitive to each school, it is not included here as part of the wider report. Instead, each participating school will receive their feedback for review, follow up and action. In general, young people reported that their schools were generally safe, with surrounding streets often being identified as less safe.

4. Young People's pledges

4.1 All young people were asked to record one action they will take, and one action they think other organisations should take to make Barking and Dagenham safer. The collated pledges are given in Appendix 3.

4.2 A wide range of actions were cited by young people. Many young people pledged to attend the youth zone as a safe space, as well as encouraging others to go and promoting the offer back in school. Others pledged to be safer and more aware out on the street, and being careful about where they go. One young person stated they would 'never trust people older than me who I don't know'. Many responses referred to being more caring and helping friends with their problems, which was positive to see.

4.3 For wider organisations, young people spoke about more police on the streets (and 'patrols' which doesn't necessarily mean police) and more CCTV. However, there were some responses which are not usually reflected in secondary safety summit pledges. These include references to road safety, street drinkers and how cleaner and tidier streets support overall feelings of safety.

5. Conclusion

5.1 The Primary Safety Summit has again provided an important insight into the young people's specific views and perceptions of safety across a variety of domains.

It also provides a glimpse into their lived experience. Although this was the first such summit for this age group, some interesting comparisons could be made with the Secondary Safety Summits around how views of safety change but also stay the same with age.

5.2 The community activity provides us with very valuable specific intel on where young people feel least safe and why. It is striking the level of detail that some young people can provide regarding specific areas where they do not feel safe due to issues of drug dealing, gangs etc. Dagenham Heathway remains a priority area for both primary and secondary aged young people, but it is interesting to note how prominent Becontree Heath is in the primary age responses.

5.3 Finally, the peer/ friendship activity demonstrated that young people of this age are keen to report issues within peer groups to trusted adults, something we know seems to be eroded away during secondary school. There is work to do here. This work, as well as the CSP and Safeguarding Children's Partnership will be closely informed by the outcomes of the Safety Summit.

6. Next steps

6.1 This report is to be shared with Safeguarding Children's Partnership, Adolescent Safety Strategic Group, CSP leads, the Police and relevant Member Portfolio Holder meetings. It is also to be shared with schools, with the additional school by school feedback provided. As well as discussion and action at Strategic level, it is hoped (and imperative) that individual agencies, including schools, follow up on the intelligence that the summit has provided.

6.2 The third Secondary Safety Summit will be held within a year of the Primary Safety Summit taking place.

7. Appendices

Appendix 1 – Riley – What Would You Do? Scenario responses

Appendix 2 – Community maps collated

Appendix 3 – Young People's pledges

Appendix 1 - Young People Safety Summit – 4th July 2023
Riley Scenario – What would you do?

1a. Would you tell an adult that you are worried about Riley?	1b. Which adult or professional would you tell?	1c. If you don't tell an adult, what are your reasons, why not?
Yes, because if those older people have been with the police, they could seriously hurt your friend	To help riley you could talk to an adult, sibling or family. You could also have a conversation with them and convince riley to stop	Try to make plans to see if he has changed
Yes as I would be worried about him doing illegal things	I would talk to riley mum/dad about it. I would say that their son's friend has been involved with the police (teachers)	Try to understand that maybe nothing is going on and you are just overthinking it
Yes as I am very concerned for riley and hope that he doesn't get in trouble with the police like older kids	I would go to his parents and tell them that he's acting differently and has been hanging out with children that are older and more troublesome.	Look out for a change in rileys behaviour
Yes, I would be worried because him and the group have been missing school and the group riley hangs out with have got into trouble with the police	I would talk to the teachers, rileys parents and my own parents	I would ask riley if they were safe and try talk to him first and try to empathize and understand why he is hanging out with them
Yes as I would be worried they are peer pressuring him, as the group has been in trouble with the police before riley could get in trouble with them	I would tell rileys parents if they don't know , I would ask my parents for advice, I would ask rileys parents if they know he's missing school	I would talk to him and say I'd like to know why you've decided to hang out with people who get in trouble
Yes, you should be worried because they might get in trouble or something bad could happen to them	I would tell a trusted adult to tell him the consequences of his behaviour	I would talk to him and say I am concerned that you are hanging with the wrong people
Yes, as I know that the older people have got told of by the police	Tell a safeguarding member	I would tell him that the older group are bad influences and if he was to carry on I would tell his mum
Yes, as he could be badly influenced, forced to be friends with the older kids, forced to do things rileys isn't willing to do	Police, rileys parents, teachers, mentor ChildLine, your parents, rileys friends	I wouldn't tell anyone in school as it is none of their business but I would tell a trusted teacher
Address the concerns and be confident	Talk to an adult about the issue. Also talk to a parent so they can advise and encourage riley and keep him occupied	I wouldn't tell an adult, so it keeps me out of trouble, and it doesn't get me involved and so I'm safe
I would tell a trusted adult about rileys situation, also speak to a teacher or parents	Trusted teacher, Trusted Adult	
I would make sure that I talk to his parents and explain the situation and tell the parents to keep track of him, so he avoids danger		

Appendix 1 - Young People Safety Summit – 4th July 2023
Riley Scenario – What would you do?

2. Do you think social services should get involved?	Why?	Why not?
Yes	I would want an adult to investigate more on what is going on as it may be dangerous for a child to get involved	
It depends	I think it depends as it could really cause further problems, but it can help him.	If he had other friends, then it may be better to talk to them also if the police were to get involved it can get worse as he could be involved with illegal activity
3. Who would you like to support Riley?		
His Family, Teachers		
Mental support workers		
A trusted adult telling him about the consequences of his actions		
Talk to an adult teacher 'riley is missing school can you help him?'		
Tell safeguarding member		
I would tell an adult, talk to them privately to see what's going on		
Talk to an adult about the issue. Also talk to a parent so they can advise and encourage riley and keep him occupied		
Staff members		
4. Do you think the older group need support?		
I would tell the police if they are doing bad stuff or tell a trusting adult		
5. What do you think young people like those in the scenario need to be kept safer?		
A trusted adult		
ChildLine mentor		
A trusted adult		
A trusted Friend		
Mental health advisor		
Therapist		

Gascoigne Primary School/Manor Junior School



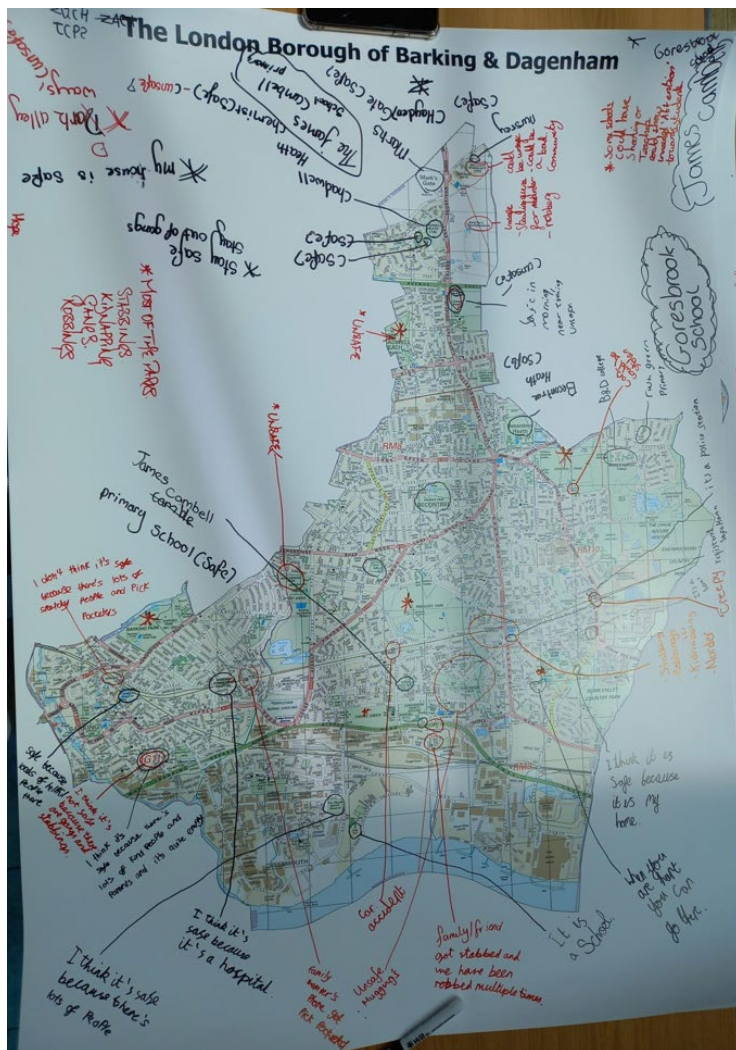
Safe

- Gascoigne/Shafsbury area is safe, there is a lot of security, CCTV and adults dropping off
- Town Hall in barking is safe as there is CCTV, there is also community police/police in the area
- Barking train station area is safe as there is a lot of CCTV
- Mayesbrook park and the primary/secondary school around it is safe. No cars by school 8:15-9:30am, 2:15-4pm
- Park by the school is safe when with an adult, lots of families and LBBB people walking around
- Shops by school – Upney, Familiar shops, Less Cars

Unsafe

- Streets away from school is very busy with cars
- Secondary school pupils are sometimes rude/disrespectful and take up the space of places
- Park by schools have teenagers hanging around/Carry unsafe items
- Alleyways have people hanging around
- Shops at Faircross have older children hanging around.
- People (20s) hanging around in groups
- Drugs being used near the shops at Faircross
- More people at Faircross
- Ripple Road has a lot of traffic/Harder to see crime and find criminal
- Barking Cemetery has no cameras
- Barking cemetery is unsafe as it is a big area
- River Roding barking is unsafe as there are gangs smoking and hiding their faces
- The cover dales are unsafe as there is construction work and gangs

Goresbrook Primary School/James Cambell Primary School



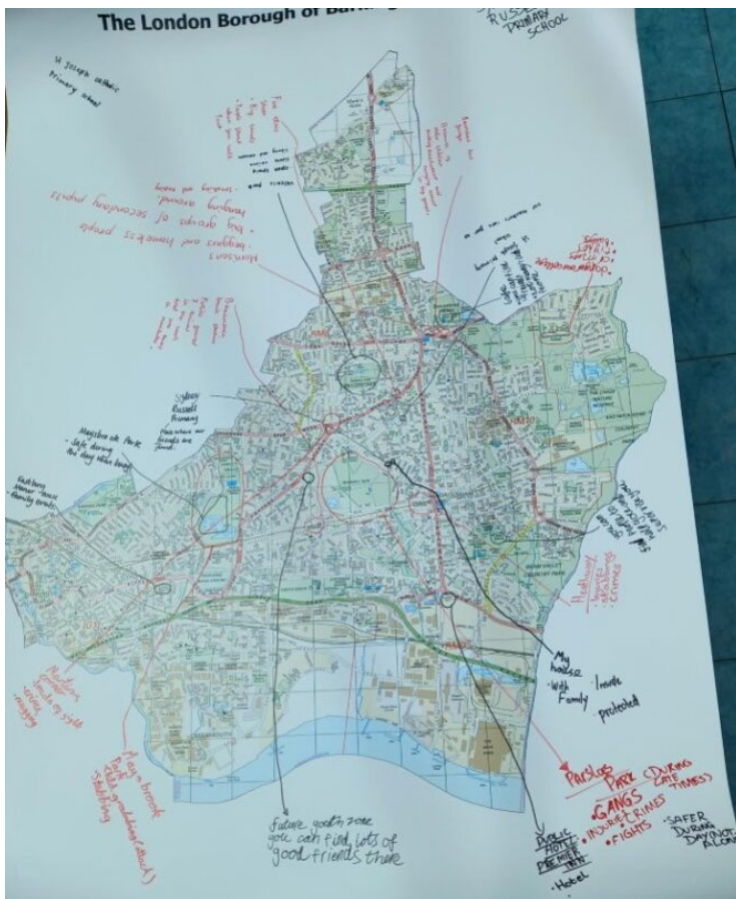
Safe

- James Cambell primary school is safe
- The ripple nature reserve is safe as there is a lot of people there
- Barking Community Hospital, I think is safe
- Vicarage field is safe as there is a lot of helpful people there
- Chadwell heath chemist is safe
- The schools next to Chadwell heath chemist is safe
- Marks Gate is safe
- Becontree heath is safe
- Nursery next to Wellgate farm is safe
- Medical centre next to Dagenham Park school is safe as you can go there when you are hurt

Unsafe

- Wellgate community farm could be unsafe as it could be a bad community
- Central Park nursery could have cars stolen around it
- Chadwell heath is quite unsafe
- Barking train station isn't safe as there is many sketchy people and pickpockets
- Dagenham Heathway has many stabbings, robberies, kidnappings, murder
- Dagenham East is creepy
- Mayesbrook park is unsafe
- Goresbrook park is unsafe and there are muggings
- Scrattons farm eco park – my family friend was stabbed and has been robbed multiple times

St Joseph's Primary School/Sydney Russell Primary School



Safe

- Future youth zone is safe as you can find many new friends there
- Mayesbrook park is safe during the day
- BMX track has helpful people that can also supervise you
- Becontree leisure centre has nice people that you can make friends with
- Saint Josephy primary school has nice and caring teachers
- Valence Park has an open space with little crime. Also, a museum and library
- Sydney Russel primary school has nice people you can make friends with

Unsafe

- Barking and Dagenham college has crimes, fights and bullies
- Morisons has beggars and homeless people
- Big groups of secondary pupils hang around Morrisons, smokers Aswell
- Martins corner has loads of fights, crime and mugging
- Mayesbrook park has child grabbing and stabbings
- Parsloes park has gangs, injuries, crimes and fights (during late times)
- Becontree train station police had found multiple knives and one was a machette
- Weyland road has loads of fire alarms, rude people and big crowds
- Heathway has injuries, crimes and stabbings
- Becontree bus garage is unsafe due to so many people pushin

Appendix 3 – Young People’s Pledges

One action you will take

- Help more people that I am worried about or think they are unsafe
- Tell a friend about today
- Plan an assembly
- We had to write about scenarios and how we would help
- Tell my classmates about our safety
- Safety map for children at school to use
- Going to the future zone
- I've learnt to be caring
- I've learnt that I should always be nice and kind
- Stay safe
- Tell more people about today and inform the school council
- Be safe in everywhere
- Stand up for what is wrong
- I have learnt about rock climbing
- I will go future zone
- Consider the youth zone
- I would encourage more people to go to future youth zone
- People that attend future is really cool and I would like to go there
- Talk to trusted adults
- I would try to go to future youth zone
- If I ever see inappropriate thing I will stay out of it and then tell an adult
- Voice your opinions and consider other perspectives
- Help my classmates with problems
- Make posters to put around school for everyone
- I will ask my mum to bring me to future youth zone
- I will go to the future zone
- Look out for people be more cautions
- Think about how others might feel
- Learning how to keep myself safe
- Tell an adult if something doesn't feel right
- Voicing opinions more
- I'll ask people who are sad if they want to talk
- Tell schools and friends to spread the message
- I will inform my class about today
- I would like more security for children who walk alone
- I'll go to future if I'm allowed. 'Chance is very low because of my parents but I'd like to go'
- Promoting future zone with our community
- I'm going to show to be safe around school and the streets
- I will attend future youth zone this summer
- One thing I will take as a result is to never trust people older than me who I don't know
- Tell a trusted adult if you are concerned about something
- Be more careful about where I go
- Advertise Safety Awareness about attacks and robberies at public places

- Be more aware of your friends
- Be aware of what are you are in

One action organisations should take

- Involve community police more
- More platforms to share concerns
- Put more police on the road so people will feel safer and illegal gangs will be caught
- More police in the streets
- More guardians in various places
- Safer roads less traffic
- Do this again next year
- Make places look more lively
- Guard the Heathway with police to reduce crimes and attacks
- Advertise Safety awareness about attacks and robberies at public places
- More teachers in playground
- This is for staff. Encourage youngers
- Add more CCTV in public areas
- More adults in the playground
- I think it would be better to add more security in places
- More CCTV
- One thing I want you to do is to make sure no cars enter a school area (school streets)
- All schools should have a security guard
- I want more police in more places
- More patrols, more visuals, security
- I want you to let the police come to our schools to talk to us
- I think adults have done enough for us – but I would like them to give more security and check on us more
- Talk to the community council about how they could try make the public safe for everyone
- Talk to the community council about making schools more safer for everyone
- Add more CCTV and have people patrol around school to make children safer
- More security
- More police on streets
- I would like more security for children
- If you feel unsafe/sad you should be able to go to future without paying
- To make sure that people are not drinking on the streets (they should drink indoors)
- Add more security around the school
- Police to patrol the area of the unsafe places
- Try to clean up the area to make it look better and safer
- Lollie pop Ladies as they're going
- More emergency services stations (Police, firefighters)
- More CCTV cameras
- Maybe inform the community that some older students have big play fights and make sure no innocents get dragged in
- Have more teaching in schools and more police
- One thing the police showed is to try not falsely accuse people
- More cameras. More controlled parking

- Police to patrol the dangerous areas
- Make sure parents know where their children are at all times
- Having trucks go past our school at later time
- More police patrol
- More CCTV around schools

COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP

REPORT

Subject: Knife Crime Update Report

Date: Wednesday 27th September 2023

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1. Purpose of Presenting the Report and Decisions Required

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to update the Community Safety Partnership (CSP) on knife crime offences and stop and search.
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2. Overview

- 2.1 Update report attached.

3. List of Appendices:

Appendix 1: Knife Crime and Stop and Search Update Report

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Knife crime offences

	current 4 Weeks	Previous 4 weeks	% Change		Current FYTD	Previous FYTD	% Change	
Knife Injury Offences	13	12	8.3%	↑	45	47	-4.3%	↓
KIV U25 (non DA) Victims	3	2	50.0%	↑	15	12	25.0%	↑

Positive outcome rate

Current 4 Weeks	Previous 4 Weeks	% Pts Change		Current FYTD	Previous FYTD	% Pts Change	
0.0%	8.3%	-8.3%	↓	15.6%	14.9%	0.7%	↑



Stop and Search

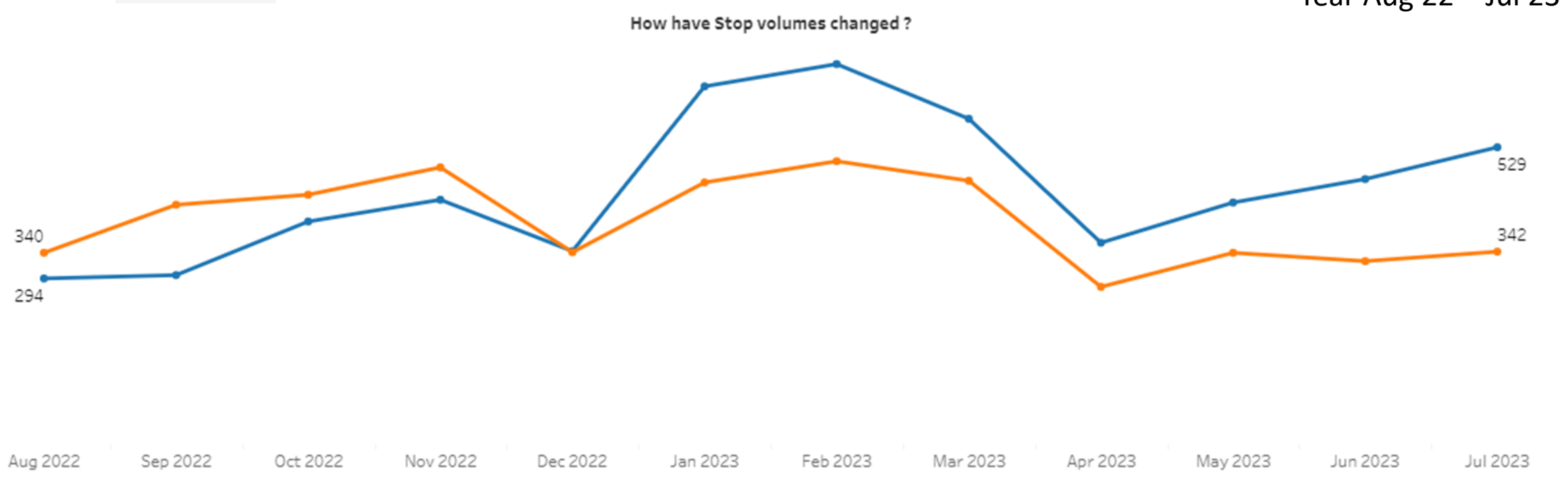


■ Current Period
■ Last Year

Year Aug 22 – Jul 23

How have Stop volumes changed ?

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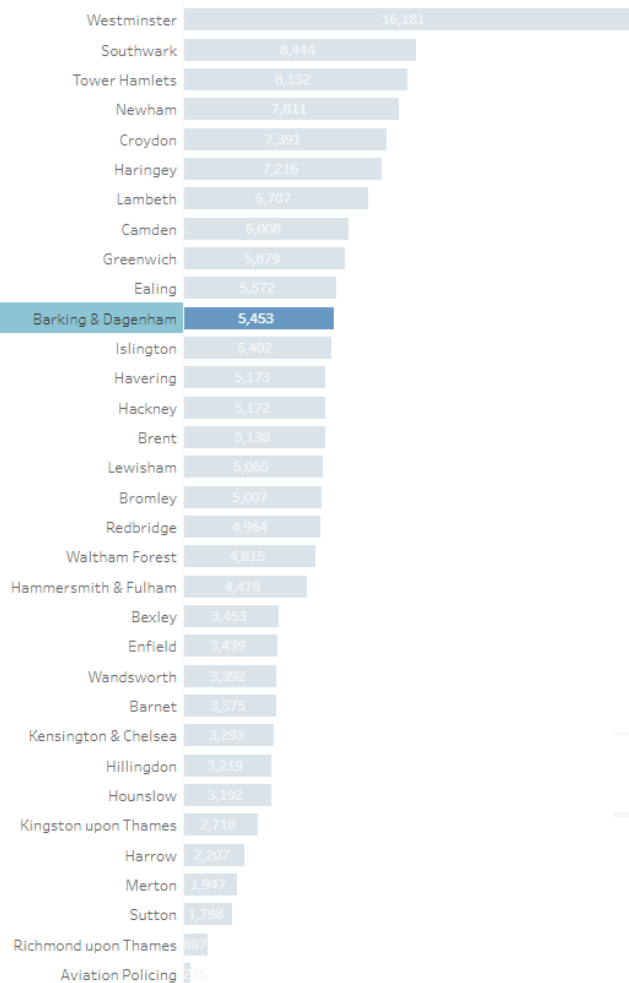




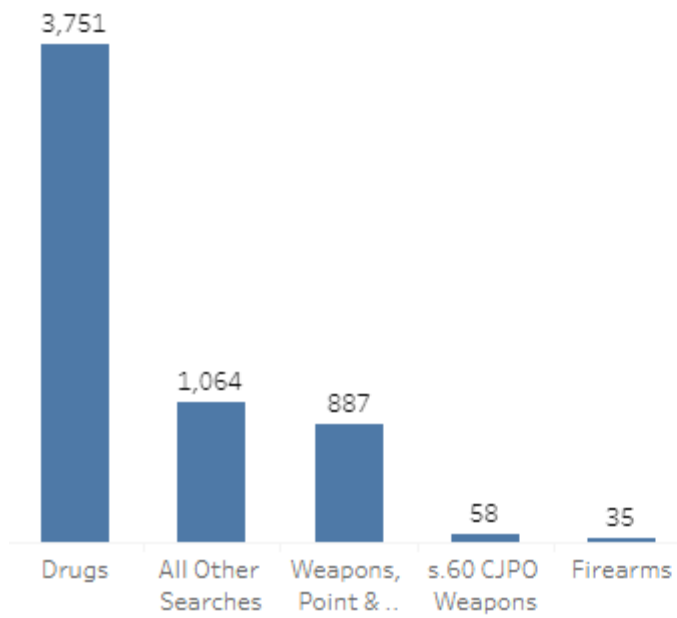
Stop and Search

Year Aug 23 – Jul 23

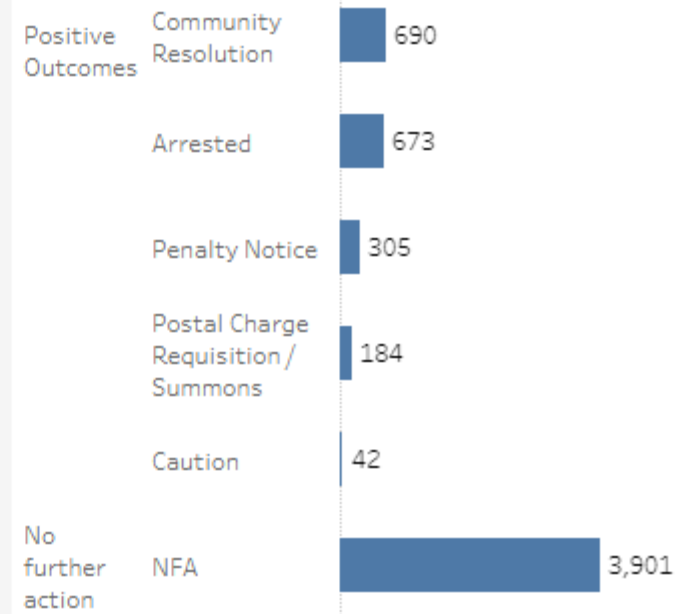
What is the volume of Stops and Search by Borough?



Why are people being Stopped?



What is the result of the Stops?

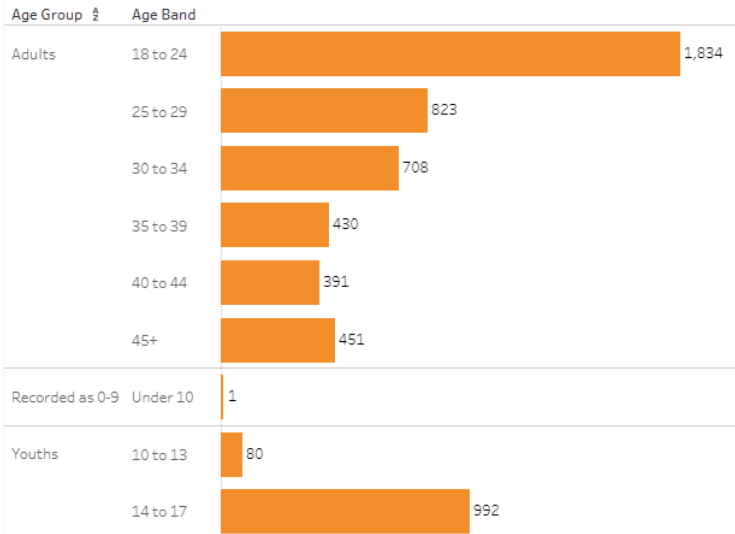




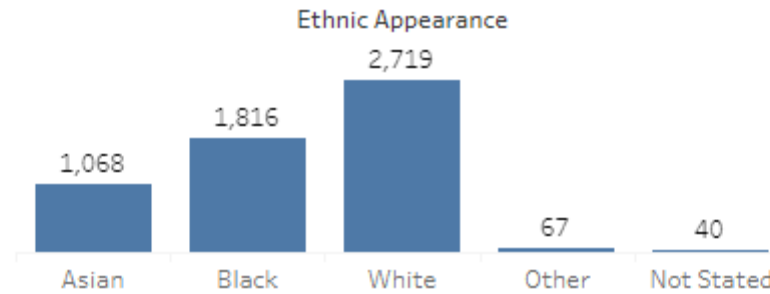
Stop and search

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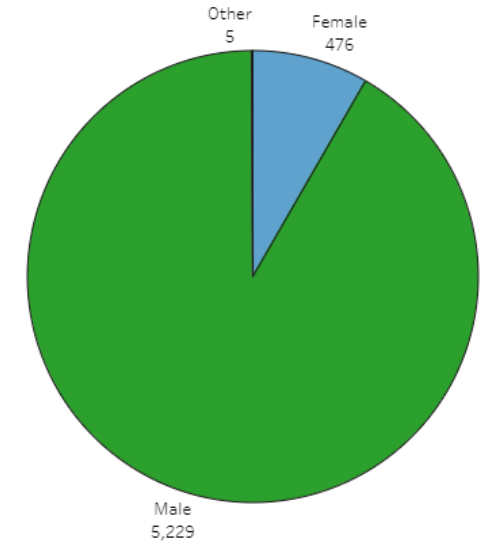
How old are the people being stopped?



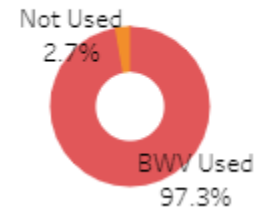
What are the demographics of those searched? (excl. vehicle-only searches)



Are males searched more often?



How often is Body Worn Video used?



Stop and Search



An officer from the safer schools team offers a one day workshop centred around knife crime. This is a full day input and works in partnership with a charity and the London Ambulance Service who will also have an input on the day.

This workshop is designed for secondary school pupils, and is offered free to the schools to take up however this is subject to the interest of the school.

This workshop is designed to educate students around the topics which arise from carrying a knife and using a knife.

SNT conduct weapon sweeps and targeted patrols in hotspot areas which have been identified high in knife crime.

Numerous tactics have been applied to hotspot areas including

Plain clothes patrols – Targeting suspects involved in knife related crime

High visibility patrols – Deter and disrupt those involved in knife related crime

Operations at the train stations to disrupt those involved in knife crime related offences (Robbery)

Test purchasing is also being arranged to work with police cadets to disrupt the sale of knives to children. Reducing the opportunity for children to get access to a knife.

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COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP

REPORT

Subject:	London Crime Prevention Fund (LCPF) Community and Voluntary Sector (CVS) Grant 2023/24
Date:	Wednesday 27 th September 2023
Author:	Jade Hodgson, Community Safety Partnership Policy Officer
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1. Purpose of Presenting the Report and Decisions Required

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to update the Community Safety Partnership (CSP) on the London Crime Prevention Fund (LCPF).
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2. Overview

- 2.1 The London Borough of Barking and Dagenham (LBBD) receive funding from Mayor for Policing and Crime (MOPAC) called the LCPF to commission and deliver services to address and prevent crime and disorder. The funding allocated through the LCPF for financial year 2023/25 is £451,054.
- 2.2 The process consists of key leads and commissioners within the CSP reviewing the Crime and Disorder Strategic Assessment (CDSA) to look at local data, crime trends, patterns, hotspot areas and crime types to support in identifying the gaps in provision and service need for the borough. The use this data to help shape our funding proposal addressing priority areas identified. A funding proposal outlining a delivery, outcomes and impact is develop and is submitted to MOPAC. Each contract or service that is commissioned under the LCPF is required to have quarterly contract monitoring meeting or provide a quarterly delivery update and end of year reports to ensure that the project delivery is successful and achieving outcomes agreed.
- 2.3 Within the LCPF, a funding is ringfenced for the Community and Voluntary Sector (CVS) organisations to apply for to deliver local interventions and services to meet the CSP priorities. A funding specification is designed under the partnership which sets out where the partnership is seeking to commission services and what we aim to achieve within those contracts. This is reviewed and new services commissioned annually.

The LCPF CVS funding for 2023/24 still needs to be committed therefore a review of the funding specification has been undertaken. As part of this review the CSP team have consulted with representatives across the partnership to review and update the specification, this has been shared with board members for their input and following that board approval.

- 2.4 The funding specification was made live on One Borough Voice and providers were contacted inviting to apply and share through their networks. Applications closed on Friday 8th September 2023. These have now been shared with a identified scoring panel. Scoring will be collated and highest scoring applications will be awarded contracts. Funding delivery will need to be finalised by 31 March 2024 in line with the funding timelines provided by MOPAC.

3. List of Appendices:

Appendix 1: LCPF CVS Funding Specification 2023/24

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Community Safety Partnership Board Forward Plan

Date of Meeting	Report Title	Presenter	Time	Item No	Item Status
Wednesday 27 September 2023	Introductions and Apologies	Chair	2 mins	Item 1	<i>Verbal</i>
	Declaration of Interest	Chair	2 mins	Item 2	<i>Verbal</i>
	Minutes and Actions from previous meeting	Chair	5 mins	Item 3	Item received
	Primary Young People Safety Summit	Erik Stein		Item 4	
	ASB Community MARAC Update	Karen Bryan	10 mins	Item 5	
	Serious Violence Duty Workshop Update and vulnerability plan progress update	Gary Jones/ Fiona Taylor		Item 6	<i>Verbal</i>
	Knife crime work update with police and LBBD	David Rhodes	15 mins	Item 7	
	Stop and Search Charter	David Rhodes	15 mins	Item 8	<i>Verbal</i>
	Domestic Abuse Improvement Programme Update	Angela D'Urso	10 mins	Item 9	
	RESTRICTED: 2023/24 LCPF CVS Funding and Specification	CSP Team	15 mins	Item 10	
	RESTRICTED: Crime and Disorder Strategic Assessment	Daniel James	60 mins	Item 11	
	RESTRICTED: Domestic Homicide Review Update	CSP Team	5 mins	Item 12	
	Forward Plan	Chair	5 mins	Item 13	Item received
	AOB a- Performance Report Subgroup Updates b - Contextual Safeguarding & Exploitation and YOS Board c - Hate Crime, Intolerance and Extremism d - Violence Against Women and Girls e - ASB Tasking Group f - Safer Neighbourhood Board Update g - Safeguarding Boards (LSCB/SAB Updates)	Chair Subgroup Leads	5 mins	Item 14	a- Daniel James b- April Bald/Angie Fuller c- Daniel Bacon d- Angela D'Urso/Daniel Thompson e - Julia Kanji f - Steve Thompson g - Joanne Kitching/Jemma Breslin NO UPDATE FOR REDUCING REOFFENDING BOARD
TOTAL TIME			174 MINUTES		
Wednesday 06 December 2023	Introductions and Apologies	Chair	2 mins	Item 1	
	Declaration of Interest	Chair	2 mins	Item 2	
	Minutes and Actions from previous meeting	Chair	5 mins	Item 3	
	CCTV Update	Arfan Naseem	15 mins	Item 4	
	Community Safety Partnership Plan annual review	Jade Hodgson	15 mins	Item 5	
	LGA Peer Review of Safeguarding Children's Partnership Arrangements	April Bald	15 mins	Item 6	
	Serious Violence Strategy Update	Jade Hodgson	10 mins	Item 7	
	LCPF CVS Funding 2024/25	Jade Hodgson	10 mins	Item 8	
	Partnership delivery to VRU Serious Violence Plan	All Partners	15 mins	Item 9	
	Reducing Reoffending Board	Steve Calder	10 mins	Item 10	
	Domestic Abuse Improvement Programme Update	Angela D'Urso	10 mins	Item 11	
	RESTRICTED: Domestic Homicide Review Update	CSP Team	10 mins	Item 12	
	RESTRICTED: Prevent Update	Simon Cornwall	10 mins	Item 13	
	Forward Plan	Chair	5 mins	Item 14	
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TOTAL TIME					
Wednesday 27 March 2024	Introductions and Apologies	Chair	2 mins	Item 1	
	Declaration of Interest	Chair	2 mins	Item 2	
	Minutes and Actions from previous meeting	Chair	5 mins	Item 3	
	Serious Violence Duty Update	Jade Hodgson	10 mins	Item 4	
	Community Payback Update	Mathew Chaplin	15 mins	Item 5	
	Partnership delivery to VRU Serious Violence Plan	All Partners	15 mins	Item 6	
	Domestic Abuse Improvement Programme Update	Angela D'Urso	10 mins	Item 7	
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COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP

REPORT

Title:	Youth Justice Service Board Subgroup Update
Date:	Wednesday 27 th September 2023
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1. Brief Update

- 1.1 The Youth Justice Service Sub Group has met twice during the last quarter, June 5th and July 17th .
- 1.2 The June meeting was in an in person development day for all board members, The day focused on:-
 - The development of the annual youth justice plan in collaboration with young people living in the borough. It was an opportunity for the board to focus on the achievements of the service over the previous year and the areas for further development over the coming year.
 - Board members had an opportunity to attend the new service location in Wakering Road and meet some of the staff and young people and learn more about what they are doing. They got to meet with young people to see the work they have been doing with their worker and discuss the impact that this has had on them. Staff were also able to meet board members and understand more about the role that they play as strategic partners that support them in their work.
 - This was also an opportunity for board members to attend the Ben Kinsella Exhibition to learn more about the commissioned work focused on the impact of knife crime. They were able to understand the experience that this will give to young people in order for them to better understand the effect that knife crime has on victims and their families.
 - [LBBB Youth Justice plan 2023 2024 .pdf](#)

1.3 The meeting in July focused on :-

- Progress of the Youth Justice Service against their targets for development. Main areas of focus being those highlighted in the most recent audit in December. Work is showing steady improvement for the service which will be tested further in the upcoming audit to ensure that development work has had the desired impact for children and their families.
- Update on HMIP annual report and summary of main findings and areas of further focus for the service going forward from these findings.
- Overview of serious incident reporting for the previous quarter and a summary of the two incidents recently reported and any themes and issues identified through this process.
- Response to recent letter from MOPAC to show how we are addressing the issues of non criminalisation of looked after children within the youth justice service as well as addressing the issues of diversity and disproportionality as a board. The collective response has been recorded and a reply to the letter has been sent.

2. Key Challenge(s)

- 2.1 There are new key performance indicators for the service which have needed further work with regard to data collection and some changes to working practices to meet these indicators. The Youth Justice Service has been working with partners to ensure that systems and processes within their own organisations are able to meet these requirements and ongoing monitoring will be expected.
- 2.2 Ongoing improvement/development work will continue to ensure that standards are raised and that audit outcomes are improved.
- 2.3 Although greatly reduced, FTE and custody rates still remain high in comparison with London and national rates which is an ongoing focus for the service.
- 2.4 Robbery and knife offences remain high and focused work to address these areas continues.

3. Emerging Trends

- 3.1 None in addition to the findings outlined in the previous section.

4. Support required from CSP Board

- 4.1 Continued focus as a board on the scheduled improvements and learning from previous inspections. Agency representatives ensuring that the themes that are highlighted in inspection reports are considered and good practice identified is replicated.

- 4.2 Partner agencies need to ensure that the work of seconded staff is evident within the youth justice recording system as part of the recommendations from the audit.

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COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP

REPORT

Title: Contextual Safeguarding & Exploitation Subgroup Update

Date: Wednesday 27 September 2023

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1. Brief Update

- 1.1 The Contextual Safeguarding and exploitation sub-group is in place to ensure coordinated multi-agency responses to reduce experiences of significant harm such as child criminal & sexual exploitation and serious youth violence that tends to happen in contexts outside the family home i.e. within peer groups, schools settings, online and neighbourhoods. The Partnership meeting in July was postponed due to Social care having its ILACS Ofsted inspection .
- 1.2 MASE (Missing and sexual exploitation group) and CEG(Criminal exploitation group) have continued to meet on a monthly basis . These tactical and strategic meetings continue to be well attended by most partners. Senior police presence has been missed particularly as they should be fulfilling the role of co-chair. An issue that requires escalating is the ongoing lack of an analyst that can provide the borough wide intelligence to support targeted disruption activity reducing risk of exploitation and serious youth violence. The data and analysis at both meetings are social care led only.
- 1.3 The LGA undertook a Peer review of our Safeguarding children’s partnership arrangements between 6-9 June 2023 . The review focussed on: governance arrangements, progress against priorities ,effectiveness of subgroups , resources to deliver on statutory duties , performance and qualitative arrangements and inclusion of the voice of the young person . It is positive to note they recognised LBBDD is a community with high levels of deprivation and need and a very diverse population with a growing number of children and young people aged 0 to 17 living and moving into the borough. The challenges faced by statutory partners to meet the needs of the local community are significant in an environment where resources are limited and under pressure. Relationships in the Barking and Dagenham Safeguarding Children Partnership (B&D SCP) are strong and senior leaders demonstrate ambition and commitment to improving services and outcomes for children, young people, and their families. The review offered a comprehensive diagnostic with concrete recommendations which once delivered on will only enhance the impact of the partnership and the interface between the various Council Boards (hence the relevance of bringing it to CSP members attention) . The report has yet to be shared at the Childrens Partnership Executive Board as such fuller details cannot be shared at this time
- 1.4 Of significance in the last quarter is Children’s Social care receiving it’s ILACS inspection . The 3-week inspection undertaken by our regulatory body – Ofsted runs on a 3-4 year cycle and is a comprehensive inspection of services working to protect children from Early help through to adoption There is a keen focus on partnerships and strategic leadership and their effectiveness. The Inspection letter was published on 5/9/23 (Appendix 1) and cites an overall positive direction of travel in terms of improvements . Particular strength was noted in their judgments on the quality of safeguarding work for children who experience exploitation and serious young violence and those who go missing. There is much here for the partnership to be proud of

They wrote the following :

- There is a strong multi-agency approach to contextual safeguarding for children, whether they live at home or are in care.
- Information from partners adds to an understanding of locality 'hot spots' and community risks.
- Schools respond quickly to ensure that appropriate education is in place, so that exploitation risks for children are reduced.
- Careful collation of information and accurate risk analysis guide planned disruption work, which supports the safety of children who are experiencing exploitation or are on the periphery of serious youth violence.
- When children go missing, timely strategy meetings result in comprehensive multi-agency risk assessment and safety planning.
- Practitioners keep the wider network around children informed so that the activities, movements and risks to children are acted on.
- Intervention benefits individual children and provides opportunities to reduce community risks.
- Return home interviews are offered routinely when children have been missing. These interviews seek to find out where children have been and any associated risks. This information informs risk
- 'grab pack' assessments which are shared with police and carers, with information shared across and between boroughs where necessary. This helps professionals to understand children's networks and contexts, and to reduce risk of harm.

1.5 Last Board I reported an interim Lead for Adolescents had been appointed to review , scope out and deliver on a LBBD Youth offer following a review highlighting gaps in provision , participation , training and co-ordination and continuum of services. The Lead, Sharon White reports that : work is underway to shape a locality based youth offer so that it can provide much needed services, provision and interventions when and where it is needed the most. A B&D Young people's action group is being set up with children and young people aged 16-24 with living experience of services affecting the most vulnerable .There is a call out to hear from CYP especially those who have been excluded or marginalised from current youth provision and want to make a positive change for future generations .(See Appendix 2)

1.6 Support required from the Board

Note the report content and acknowledge the good outcome of the Ofsted inspection to Operational staff in your organisation who are involved with children who have been exploited

1.7 Appendices

- I. [Barking and Dagenham Inspection of local authority childrens services Jul23 \(002\).pdf](#)
- II. [BD YPAG campaign 1 \(6\).pdf](#)

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