

**COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP  
MINUTES**

Monday 12 June 2017  
Conference Room, Barking Learning Centre  
10:00 – 13:00

**Community Safety  
Partnership**

**Members Present:** Anne Bristow (Chair), Matthew Cole, Ria Chadha, Stephen Norman, Sarah D'Souza, Greg Tillett, Katherine Gilcreest, Dan James, Councillor Butt, Steve Thompson MBE, Tara Poore, David Murray, Barry Agnew, Detective Superintendent Jane Scotchbrook, Inspector Tim Barfoot, Sonia Drozd, Jonathan Toy, Hamera-Asfa Davey.

**Apologies:** Chris Naylor, James Tullett, Borough Commander Sean Wilson, Inspector John Cooze, Sharon Morrow, Hazel North-Stephens.

**Minutes:** Angela Stephens

**1. Introductions and Apologies for Absence**

The Chair welcomed the attendees and the apologies were noted.

**2. Declarations of Interests, Previous Minutes and Action Log**

No declarations of interest were noted and the previous minutes were agreed as an accurate record of the discussions held. The action log was also reviewed by the group. Confirmed all actions as closed.

**3. Community Solutions**

This agenda item was presented by David Murray.  
David reported Community Solutions is a new service to B & D residents, and the key objective is to help people to help themselves.  
Community Solution Strategy is a 5-year programme focusing on prevention and helping people become as independent as possible.

Community Solutions Service will promote a self-service through:

- Easier to use, transactional web offer with content relevant to the needs of residents.
- Provision of strong mediated support from council staff and community champions
- Digitally savvy staff, management and Elected Members
- Insight and analysis to evidence take-up and benefits
- A network of trusted partners and collaborators with a single view of the household or resident
- Combination of incentives and constraints to encourage

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positive behaviour change.  
Face to face support will be provided to people without access to online facilities.

Katherine Gilcreest has been appointed as Head of Support and will be the Community Solutions representative at CSP.

David advised that while work has been going on for over a year to form Community Solutions this has not been shared with partners up to this point as we wanted to be providing clear plans regarding the offer that the Council was making. Consultation and engagement with partners and the CVS would be taking place over the next few months.

**It was agreed that:**

All to contact David Murray with any further queries.

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**4. Basic Command Unit**

Superintendent Jane Scotchbrook introduced herself and briefed the members on the current structure.

Ch Supt Jason Gwillim is the East Area Commander responsible for the BCU which has 4 'strands':

1. Emergency Response Team- Supt Sean Wilson
2. Neighbourhood Policing and Partnerships- Supt Jane Scotchbrook
3. Safe guarding- Supt John Ross
4. Investigations- Supt Simon Warwick

Each of the above strands has a Supt Lead officer.

Inspector John Cooze - go to person for any Borough Issues.

Supt Scotchbrook is currently working on an organisation chart and will send to all partners in due course. Supt Scotchbrook has also got officers compiling a list of all partnership meetings to which the police have a commitment to attend. Once the BCU is clear about which officers will be attending which meetings this will be shared with partners.

It was reported that the BCU is now fully operational however the Met have challenges around emergency response times, and there is on-going work to resolve this.

It was also reported that the government have announced that there are possibly further cuts to front line police officers, so the Met are currently testing to see how they would manage a decrease in resources.

One trial which is now under way is a 'Call Back' service where a police administrator will call back the individual to evaluate and try to resolve the matter to avoid an officer attending the location of

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the issue.

Supt Scotchbrook then briefed the members on the 'Trend Crimes' within the borough and explained how her team are working to resolve each matter:

**Prostitution – Ilford Lane**

- Strategy is not to remove the girls but as the victims and offer them support
- A Romanian Officer has been placed in the area.
- Team are working to capture the men behind this issue and are focusing on identifying those involved in trafficking offences.

**Moped Crime**

It was reported that the main issue in Barking and Dagenham is the theft of mopeds rather than crimes on mopeds. A policing plan has been developed and communications around this plan will be launched in the next few weeks.

**Gangs**

- Biggest concern at present is the emerging younger members of gangs.
- To deter the youths from participating in gang activities, the Police are trialling 'Chance' which is a card system given to young people who come to attention for antisocial behaviour or low level crime.

Q: Steve Thompson would like to know how and when will the pathfinder be evaluated?

A: Jane Scotchbrook commented that pathfinder went live in March. It was further clarified by MC that date and method of evaluation had not been confirmed but it had been agreed that the pathfinder needed some time to bed in before the evaluation was started. This was being managed by the Project Board and information would be fed back to CSP when this is available.

Steve would like to see further engagement with the community on the pathfinder.

Q: Cllr Butt raised concerns that residents near and around Ilford Lane feel that the police are not doing enough to combat the huge prostitution issue.

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A: Supt Scotchbrook commented that she is aware that this issue has been going on for a very long time however unfortunately there is no quick fix solution to the problem. There is a proactive process in place and the police are dealing with this matter as a priority.

**It was agreed that:**

**A discussion on prostitution will be held at the next meeting.**

**MOPAC to confirm to the CSP members what the allocation for officers is for London**

**BCU Pathfinder to remain on the agenda for further discussion at the next meeting.**

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**Community Safety Partnership – Restructure**

Matthew Cole talked through the CSP restructure and confirm that the CSP Executive & Board meetings will remain quarterly.

Matthew also confirmed the CSP Groups chairs which are as follows:

- i) Safer Borough – Inspector Tim Barfoot
- ii) Children and Young People – Matthew Cole
- iii) Violence Against Women and Girls – Melody William (NHS)
- iv) Hate Crime & Extremism – Rita Chadha (CVS)
- v) Managing Offenders – Greg Tillett (Probation Office)

Sub group meetings are currently being scheduled.

Stephen Norman LFB queried where does the fire service fit into the restructure of Sub-Groups. It was clarified that LFB matters would mostly be discussed at the Safer Borough meeting. SN said that LFB is involved throughout community safety and it appears this is not recognised in the structure.

**The chair requested that:**

**Each CSP subgroup Chair to contact Stephen Norman - Borough Commander, LFB and have an offline discussion to establish how the fire service can be integrated into each group.**

All Sub-Group Chairs

**Matthew Cole to advise the CSP members who the Chairs are for each sub group and confirm meeting dates.**

Matthew Cole

**All sub groups to meet within the next 2 weeks and pull**

Sub-Groups

**together a 12 month plan.**

**5. Public Spaces Protection Orders - Dog Fouling**

The issue of dog fouling in 3 parks in the borough has become a big anti-social nuisance for residents.

The parks affected are:

- Mayesbrook
- Abbey Green
- Barking Park

A DNA scheme has come into effect and the enforcement are also looking at different ways to combat the issue.

Jonathan Toy stated that the only way to deal with this matter fully is to issue PSPO's to owners.

The proposal of PSPO went to consultation and although and there is mixed feedback, the feedback is mainly positive.

The Kennel Club have been informed of our proposal and are very supportive of the policy.

The PSPO papers have been approved by the Cabinet and JT requested the approval of CSP members to implement the policy.

**All members agreed that the enforcement of the PSPO for dog fouling should be implemented.**

**6. Fire Service**

Borough Commander Stephen Norman updated the group on recent incidents.

It was reported that there were 35 incidents last month (April 17), 7 arson attacks and 8 mopeds set on fire.

LFB are continuing to work with residents in safeguarding their home and are also working with sheltered homes to safe guard the elderly.

LFB are also operating a youth scheme to prevent young people from becoming involved in crime and disorder which has been successful however, funding is an issue.

**7. SNB – Chairs Report**

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**All sub group chairs**

**All subgroup chairs**

Steve Thompson MBE briefed the members on his plans of the SNB meetings.

The next SNB Executive meeting is on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June where Steve will propose the following:

- Change Board meetings to Executive meetings – Quarterly
- Change Open Public meetings from quarterly to 6 monthly.

Stop & Search monitoring group meetings will continue to be quarterly.

Steve raised his concerns on the reduction of Stop & Searches due to the lack of police resources, and will be discussing this further at the SNB meeting.

**8. Performance Report**

This agenda item was presented by Daniel James.

**It was agreed that:**

- **All sub groups to meet before September and develop a workplan for the group. The workplan needs to show how it inter relates across the different boards.**
- **Sub group Chairs to review representation on their groups to ensure it is wide enough to for the work plan**
- **Sub group Chairs to review Key Performance Indicators for their groups in the relation to the work plans. Any additional indicators are to be feed into Dan James for the performance report.**
- **Dan James to add Police I&S calls and response times to be added to next CSP performance report.**

**9. Domestic Homicide Review – RESTRICTED**

Members were briefed on the Domestic Homicide Review.

**10. Community Engagement re: Knife Crime– RESTRICTED**

Members were briefed on the Community engagement re: Knife Crime.

**11. Chair’s Report**

The Chair’s Report was available to members for noting.

**12. Forward Plan**

- Bodyworn Cameras
- Safer neighbourhood Board

**13. Any Other Business**

Tara Poore confirmed that Victim Support service is now available in Barking.

**14. Date of Next Meeting**

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2017  
14:00 – 17:00  
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