Members Present: Anne Bristow (Chair), Andrew Ewing (Vice-Chair), Carl Blackburn, Rita Chadha, Matthew Cole, Helen Jenner, Martin Kirby, Sharon Morrow, Victoria Roberts, Glynis Rogers, Lucy Satchell-Day, Steve Thompson.

Advisers, Officers and Guests Present: Paul McLenaghan, Will Donovan (minutes), James Goddard, Dan Hales, Abi Kazeem, Pierre Rossouw.

Apologies: Councillor Laila Butt, Paul Trew, Sean Wilson, Ken Jones, Carina Heckroodt, David McClory, Peggy Mhembere.

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187. Introductions and Apologies for Absence
The apologies were noted.

188. Declarations of Interests
None declared.

189. Minutes
The minutes of 9 June 2014 were agreed as an accurate record with one amendment: a paragraph to be added and distributed to further explain the measure of confidence in the Police. The following actions to be carried over:

Action 179a – Borough Resilience Forum to meet more often.

Action 179b – Borough Resilience Forum meeting on 11 September 2014 to confirm the arrangements of the group who would hold high level discussions during an emergency and the names of this group.

190. Strategic Assessment
This item was presented by Dan James (Research and Analysis Officer Community Safety, LBBD) and Dan Hales (Group Manager Community Safety and Offender Management, LBBD).

The presentation detailed the findings of the 2013 Strategic Assessment and work which has been completed or is ongoing following these findings. The initial findings of the 2014 Strategic Assessment have identified broadly the same priorities as the
2013 Strategic Assessment: anti-social behaviour, domestic violence, serious youth violence, re-offending and hate crime. Dan Hales asked the Board to consider potential issues which may require analysis for the 2014 Strategic Assessment. The Board were asked to consider potential issues relating from the PESTELOM analysis, broken down into: political, economic; social, technological, environmental, legal, organisational and media issues.

Potential current and emerging issues were discussed for further analysis in the Strategic Assessment, which will be brought to the 12 December 2014 CSP Board.

It was noted that the annual Strategic Assessment is now fully incorporated to the Community Safety Partnership and integral to its work.

The following actions were agreed:

Email Dan James with any additional potential issues to be analysed in the 2014 Strategic Assessment. All partners

Incorporate issues discussed at the meeting into analysis for the 2014 Strategic Assessment and link this work up with the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and Pharmaceutical Needs assessment, which are also currently being developed, to ensure that there are not conflicting priorities. Dan James

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191. Homelessness in LBBD

This item was presented by James Goddard (Group Manager Housing Strategy, LBBD).

The item outlined the definition of homelessness and the current homelessness levels in the Borough. It was reported that the current demand for Council housing is the biggest the Borough has ever experienced. James noted that these issues are being addressed in the new Homelessness Strategy which is being drafted for April 2015 Cabinet. The item was presented for comment, for any issues from the CSP to be raised and to identify whether this Strategy should be the responsibility of CSP. A query was raised regarding this work’s links to national organisations. James reported that there are plans to re-launch the Homelessness Forum to bring together the local third sector, Council, statutory organisations and national organisations together to work on this issue.

James reported that the Strategy will identify vulnerable groups and address their needs. It was noted that licensing for out of Borough placements is managed by the East London Housing Partnership.

Concerns were expressed by the Board that repossessions may
be an issue causing homelessness. It was reported that the loss of private rented sector is now top of the reasons for homelessness, with mortgage arrears also a major cause of homelessness. James reported that there is now strong pre-eviction work happening within Housing now to mediate with tenants and try to prevent eviction and it is planned to get the Landlord Forum to adopt this mediation work as well.

It was noted that “beds in sheds” is not currently a major issue in the Borough, although some incidents have been reported, and it was agreed that tough licensing enforcement of any incidents found would ensure that this does not become a wider issue.

It was noted that the East London Housing Partnership is controlled overall from Redbridge and Hackney. A team is managed directly by James in LBBBD, and the work of this team will sync with what is done locally.

The Board noted the report and agreed to keep a watching brief over the Homelessness Strategy as it is not appropriate for it to report directly to CSP.

192. Immigration Act

This item was presented by Rita Chadha (Chief Executive Officer, RAMFEL).

Rita Chadha presented to the Board regarding the Immigration Act 2014. It was reported that there has been mixed publicity regarding the Act and that it may present an opportunity to address myths around immigration. Rita gave an overview of the effect of the Act in line with the content of the report.

It was noted that the Home Office are operating Operation Skybreaker which is being piloted in other London boroughs and not yet in effect in LBBBD. It was reported that this will target business, houses of multiple occupation and registrar offices and will take action if any people there are found to be in the country illegally. It was noted that the early stages of this will largely involve intelligence gathering and later stages will be able to take removal action. It was noted that there will be a 70 day investigation period into marriages and civil partnerships which are suspected to be sham marriages and that immigration officers will visit registrars daily.

Rita commented that it may be hard to reach out to communities when strict legislation may push them underground. It was noted that in contrast the tough new Act also has the potential to reduce myths around immigration and demonstrate that immigrants are not given easy treatment.

Previous discussion of Operation Centurion was raised, concerns
regarding the Operation were sent to the Home Office. It was reported that the Home Office have replied to this letter and would like to attend a future sub-group meeting to discuss the CSP’s views.

It was noted that this work could link into wider discussions in the health sector, currently reporting to Substance Misuse Strategy Board, about healthcare provision for people with no recourse to public funds. It was noted that the CCG are currently awaiting guidance to ensure consistency of communication.

The Board agreed to set up a three month task and finish group to analyse the local social impact of the Immigration Act. This will be chaired by the Police and will have attendees nominated from LBBD Children’s Social Care, Substance Misuse, Domestic Violence, Strategy as well as Rita Chadha and a nomination or appropriate contributions from the CCG.

It was agreed to:

Confirm chair for task and finish group.

Nominate attendees for task and finish group and supply names to Andrew Ewing, copying in Will Donovan, by 19 September.

Report back to CSP in March 2015.

193. Borough Resilience Forum

This item was presented by Pierre Rossouw (Senior Civil Protection Officer, LBBD and Waltham Forest).

The Board thanked Mike Hamer for chairing the Borough Resilience Forum (BRF) previously. It was noted that following Mike Hamer leaving the Borough, Superintendent Sean Wilson will now chair the BRF.

The new Multi Agency Flood Plan was presented, which had changes made to the activation of the plan and how to engage with the public. It was noted that the BRF had approved the Multi Agency Flood Plan. The CSP Board approved the Multi Agency Flood Plan. The long and hard work of the BRF in creating the Plan was noted.
Pierre discussed the flood issue reported at the 9 June 2014 CSP Board. It was reported that a meeting is to be set up between the Environment Agency, Anne Bristow, Andrew Ewing and Ruth Du-Lieu to discuss the issue. The importance of ensuring the BRF was capturing all civil protection issues and not only flood risks was noted.

It was noted that a local pandemic flu exercise will take place on 3 October 2014. Partners were reminded of the exercise and health services emphasised the importance of attending to see effect of new Command and Control protocols. It was reported that a mass evacuation shelter draft plan will be viewed by the BRF this week. The potential for a mass evacuation plan exercise was discussed, the BRF to look at the capacity for this or a potential away day.

It was noted that the Ebola virus will be discussed at the BRF on 11 September 2014 and Public Health England will brief on the issue. It was reported that care providers have received the same guidelines as NHS providers to ensure there is a consistent message. It was noted that the local risk is perceived as very low but this potential issue is still being addressed.

Confirm date of exercise as 3 October 2014 and send reminder email to agencies.

Discuss potential mass evacuation plan exercise and capacity of senior partners to attend.

194. Integrated Victim Management Action Plan

This item was presented by Andrew Ewing (Borough Commander Barking and Dagenham Metropolitan Police Service).

An update was given regarding MOPAC 7 Sub-Group performance figures, the Borough is now the joint top of the Metropolitan Police Service for crime detection. It was noted that extra Police Officers and Sergeants have been assigned to the Borough which is expected to improve performance further.

This item presented two action plans to analyse work with victims, developed following analysis of routes through the criminal justice system and how victims drop out of this process. Victims who do not engage with the criminal justice system are analysed through Victim Support figures, so that levels of underreporting can be analysed.

It was noted that following the item at 9 June 2014 CSP Board which began this work there has been a report released of MOPAC Review of Victim Services in London. It was noted that this report’s conclusions largely support the findings of the CSP Board discussion and added a suggestion that Victim Support can feed in the views of the victims of domestic violence to this project.
The action plans were agreed.

195. Alcohol Awareness Week

This item was presented by Dan Hales (Group Manager Community Safety and Public Protection, LBBD).

This report presents plans for Alcohol Awareness Week 2014, which has been drafted and approved the Substance Misuse Strategy Board and Alcohol Alliance. The plans were approved by CSP Board, with further discussion to occur regarding potential contact during GP training time. It was agreed to bring back learning from this event to a future Community Safety Partnership.

It was agreed to:

Discuss potential work in protected GP training time with Dr Mohan.

Bring learning report to 12 December 2014 Community Safety Partnership.

Discuss Christmas alcohol campaign and funding at Alcohol Alliance.

196. White Ribbon Day

This item was presented by Glynis Rogers (Divisional Director Commissioning and Partnerships, LBBD).

This item presented proposals for events around White Ribbon Day including 16 days of activism around domestic violence. It was reported that these plans intend to raise the issue of domestic violence and zero tolerance of it across the Borough. It was noted that the Police Operation Athena, which targets prolific and dangerous domestic violence and hate crime offenders, will take place during this week and Council vehicles will have white ribbon and messages stating zero tolerance of domestic violence on them. It was noted that the local Chamber of Commerce have agreed for business to sign up to commit to having a domestic violence policy and provide support to victims.

It was reported that a domestic violence e-learning module has been written and that this will be made available to all partner agencies to get staff signed up. It was requested that all partner agencies request staff complete the module and suggested that there could be a prize for the agency with the most completions.

Further ideas for White Ribbon Day were discussed and it was agreed that these ideas would be investigated and used for 2014 or 2015 if it would not be possible to do this for 2014. Suggestions raised included:

- using policies such as tenancies to enforce zero tolerance of
domestic violence and get the issue discussed;
• gaining publicity by having staff of organisations photographed holding up a banner stating they do not condone domestic violence then challenging other organisations to do this. Photos can be shared through the organisations’ websites and twitter feeds and collated on the Council website;
• planning an additional walk or route promoting zero tolerance of domestic violence to take place in Dagenham or on the Heathway;
• covering the route of the white ribbon walk in white ribbons;
• placing white ribbons on the Council Christmas tree;
• sharing the e-learning module with the public if appropriate, or develop public-appropriate module for 2015. Offer prizes for completion and can be promoted through partner agencies’ twitter accounts;
• getting older students at schools to design a survey or learning module about domestic violence to allow them to discuss the issue;
• promoting events through Housing Associations; and
• providing Dagenham 66 Runners and Barking Runners with given t-shirts promoting White Ribbon Day.

The proposals for White Ribbon Day were agreed. It was agreed to:

Begin promoting White Ribbon Day to staff and the public ahead of the events.

197. Performance Report and Dashboard

This report was presented by Anne Bristow (Corporate Director Adult and Community Services, LBBD).

The performance report was noted.

It was proposed to change the format of the performance report and Callover as the current format and restructure of the sub-groups has been successful in improving the sub-groups. It was proposed that the Callover process would now monitor the action plans of strategies and the Community Safety Plan and discuss any items rated red, with a dashboard to come to Callover. It was reported that if more information was requested by any partners then the one page summary could still be provided.

The proposed changes to Callover were agreed.

The combined Cohesion and Hate Crime Sub-Group was discussed. It was noted that it had been agreed at 10 December 2013 CSP Board that these two sub-groups would be combined into one meeting and the Tension Monitoring Meeting would meet when it is necessary to discuss tensions. It was agreed that Rita Chadha would chair the first meeting of this Sub-Group in January 2015.
It was agreed that:

Send suitable dates for Cohesion and Hate Crime Sub-Group to meet in January 2015 to Glynis Rogers.

198. **Information Sharing Protocols**

This report was presented by Dan Hales (Group Manager Community Safety and Offender Management, LBBD).

This report presented the revised Information Sharing Protocol (ISP) and a specific ISP relating to the Accident and Emergency Data Share. The ISPs were approved subject to CCG comments and were signed at the meeting.

It was agreed to:

Ensure this agreement covers both the National Probation Service and Community Rehabilitation Company.

199. **LBBD Council Vision and Priorities**

This report was presented by Sarah Welton (Strategy and Performance Officer, LBBD).

This report presented the new Corporate Vision and Priorities for LBBD Council which have been through Cabinet and are now being presented to partnership boards for comments.

The Board broadly welcomed the new Vision and Priorities, especially with regard to the emphasis on cohesion and One Borough. Rita Chadha commented that all ethnicity groups should be discussed in the report rather than only referring to some sections of the community. Carl Blackburn commented that the Vision and Priorities should reflect cuts and diminishing capacity and not create an over-expectation that the Third Sector will pick up services and does more with reduced resources. CSP requested these comments to be reflected in the Cabinet report.

It was agreed to:

Write comments into the report and provide feedback to the Leader of the Council.

200. **Disaggregation of Youth Offending Services**

This report was presented by Glynis Rogers (Divisional Director Commissioning and Partnerships, LBBD).

This report informed the CSP Board of the London Borough of Havering’s decision to disaggregate the joint Youth Offending Service (YOS) due to an internal restructure. It was reported that Havering had been very complimentary of services and that the joint
work had made major improvements to their YOS. It was noted that media reports had covered a Havering Member criticising the joint YOS but that subsequent statements and coverage had provided corrections to these points.

It was reported that the disaggregation may raise some financial issues for the YOS which are being analysed. It was noted that the experience of the joint YOS provides a model of consultancy of how to help improve seriously challenged YOSs. Officers noted that this decision was due to a restructure in Havering rather than poor performance and expressed sadness that productive and efficient partnership work between both Boroughs and partner agencies had ended.

201. Community Trigger

This report was presented by Dan Hales (Group Manager Community Safety and Public Protection, LBBDD).

This report was presented to inform the CSP Board of the Community Trigger, a measure to allow residents to demand action on reports of anti-social behaviour if multiple reports have not been acted upon. It was reported that this new measure is introduced on 20 October 2014. The Board noted that due to a strong process for managing repeat reports of anti-social behaviour and low numbers of cases in the pilot scheme it is expected that very few requests for the Community Trigger will be made.

The Board discussed the Community Remedy menu of options and agreed that apologies are too low an intervention and counselling too high an intervention to be appropriate and deliverable.

It was agreed to:

Write to the Mayor’s Office for Policing and Crime to confirm these comments on the Community Remedy menu and the local process for the Community Trigger.

202. Chair’s Report

The Chair’s Report was noted.

195. Forward Plan

This item was presented by Anne Bristow (Corporate Director Adult and Community Services, LBBDD).

The Board noted the forward plan, and it was agreed that (letters roll on from the previous actions):

(I) Anne Bristow asked Board members to consider items for discussion at the December 2014 and March 2015 CSP meetings, especially relating to the Third Sector. Any
suggested items to be forwarded to Will Donovan.

(m) Immigration Act Task and Finish Group to report back to the CSP Board at 2 March 2015 meeting.

(n) Learning from Alcohol Awareness Week to be brought to the 12 December 2014 CSP Board.

(o) MOPAC Hate Crime Review to be brought to the 12 December 2014 CSP Board.

196. Any Other Business

The Board noted that this is Carl Blackburn’s last CSP Board meeting before handing over to the new CVS Chief Executive. The Board thanked Carl for his active role in the Board and its Sub-Groups. Carl said it had been a pleasure to have worked with the CSP and reported that the new Chief Executive will be in post by 1 November 2014, subject to confirmation by 12 September 2014.

Paul McLenaghan reported that the Borough has been awarded £85,000 in match funding to install sprinkler systems in care homes and this will be released to the press soon. Chris also reported that Dagenham Fire Station will be relocated next month with its three appliances going to Harold Hill, Romford and Barking. Chris noted that London Fire Brigade are aiming to keep one appliance on the ground in Dagenham during the day to maintain response times.

Anne Bristow reported that the Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime will be holding a meeting in Barking on 10 November and asked for all partners to attend or send representation.

197. RESTRICTED ITEM: Domestic Homicide Review

This report was presented by Glynis Rogers (Divisional Director Commissioning and Partnerships, LBBD).

The report contained the review of a domestic homicide in the Borough which was led by an independent organisation. The report detailed any potential learning from the case and questioned where there may have been opportunities for earlier intervention. The report presented recommendations for completion by December 2014.

The CSP Board were asked to approve the report to be passed to the Home Office, which was agreed. It was agreed to delegate authority for the action plan to the Domestic and Sexual Violence Sub-Group chaired by Matthew Cole.

It was agreed to:
Present the Domestic Homicide Review to the Domestic and Sexual Violence Sub-Group for approval to be passed to the Home Office.

Matthew Cole