

# DRAFT MINUTES

## Waltham Forest Working Together (The Strategic Partnership (LSP) for Waltham Forest)

### SAFETYNET PARTNERSHIP BOARD, EXECUTIVE GROUP

Minutes of a meeting of the LSP SafetyNet Partnership Board, Executive Group held on  
Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2006 at 2.30pm – Rowan House, Cecil Road, Leytonstone.

#### Present:

##### Members.

Chief Superintendent Mark Benbow (Chair)	Metropolitan Police Service
Robin Tuddenham	LBWF, Assistant Chief Executive, Head of Community Safety
Linda Wacey	LBWF, Head of Community Protection
Cllr Afzal Akram	LBWF, Portfolio Lead for Community Safety
Richard Mills	London Fire Brigade ( <i>alternate for Darren Dovey</i> )
Det. Supt. Paul Rickett	Metropolitan Police Service
Alastair Macorkindale	LBWF, Drugs and Crime Strategy Manager
Colin Moone	LBWF, Head of Housing Services
Carol Hartley	London Probation
Chris Kiernan	LBWF (Executive Director, Lifelong Learning)
Harry Clibbens	Waltham Forest Primary Care Trust
Margaret Barker	Government Office for London
Steve Williams	Chair, Police & Community Consultative Group

##### Lead Support Officers.

Sian Hasler	LBWF, Partnerships & Operations Manager
John Anthony	LBWF, Youth Offending Team Manager
Simon Bartlett	LBWF, Acquisitive Crime Officer
Bruce Clarke	LBWF, Committee Manager

##### Visitors.

Ben Plant	LBWF, Partnership Performance Manager
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#### Item

#### Action

##### 1. INTRODUCTIONS & APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

All those present introduced themselves.

Apologies for absence were received from Jacquie Dean (LBWF, Chief Executive), Rob Pearce (LBWF, Head of Sustainable Communities), Chief Inspector Ian Larnder (MPS), Jim Waddington (EduAction) and Darren Dovey (London Fire Brigade) (*Richard Mills to attend as alternate*).

##### 2. MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 6<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2006 AND MATTERS ARISING.

###### Accuracy:

Nothing raised.

###### Matters Arising:

Page 4, item 4.4 – Counter Terrorism to be an item on all future Agendas – now implemented.

Page 5, item 7 – Higham Hill BMX site – information has been passed to John Widdows.

Minutes of 6<sup>th</sup> September 2006 confirmed as a correct record of the proceedings.

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### 3. PERFORMANCE HEADLINES.

#### 3.1 British Crime Survey.

Mark Benbow reported as follows:

- The TP Weekly Scorecard report contains two pages of data covering the whole of the MPS, two pages covering the NE region of London and two pages covering Waltham Forest.
- Halloween results – 2005 was a bad year – in 2006 significant resources were deployed across the borough and results were considerably improved. There were 9 or 10 robberies (all south of the A406), a 50% reduction on 2005. The WF improved performance was the best out of all other relevant boroughs, based on comparison with 2005 results.
- For Halloween, and also for 5<sup>th</sup> November, significant resources deployed (some shifted from the north to the south of the borough) with TSG weeks to follow thereafter.
- Robbery and theft – personal property SD rate moving in right direction.
- Burglary – the residential SD rate is now over 9%.
- Vehicle Crime – additional resources to come from Central Government. There's been significant work on 'Theft From' with target hardening via TJAG. Also increased work on bicycle thefts (real money available on request for locks) and stickers available to be affixed to bikes.
- Criminal Damage – reduction of 6.6%, probably the impact from Safer Neighbourhoods.
- Gun enabled crime – reduction of 39.7% - two recent instances at a retail outlet in Lea Bridge Road, backing on to the Beaumont Estate. Defendin da Hood aware, also YOT (some of who's work is blighted by territorial awareness (e.g. Rowan House based in Cathall ward)).
- Violent crime – total reduction of 11.8% is very good.
- Homophobic – now 20 reporting sites, although ELOP say there's more.
- Total Notifiable SD Rate – shown as 18.5%, now at 18.97%.

#### 3.2 LAA – Performance Management Review.

Ben Plant tabled a report and noted that each quarter the Group will receive an update of performance against the eight LAA targets and should agree action(s) against any targets not reaching the full performance level. He noted that for the second quarter six of the eight were on target, two weren't.

##### A. Increase the percentage of young offenders supervised by the YOT who are in full-time education, training or employment.

- 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter performance 79% - off target but in comparison with other teams, both in the UK and in London, we're doing well – better than above average (e.g. London average currently is 68% - Barnet 72.9%, Enfield 62% and Haringey 58.2%).
- Four key actions are being taken – very strong and vibrant – should improve our performance.
- National target set high by the YJB and Connexions to increase aspirations. Discussed going back to YJB, requesting that this target is specifically described as being primarily aspirational and seeking a more realistic one (i.e. 85% all the way through would be reasonable).

##### B. Reduce the number of reported incidents of enviro-crime (cumulative figure).

- Measures being taken will enable better targeting of activities but need to amend target to better reflect how we're actually tackling incidence of this type of crime. Although the Council sets the target

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<p>through partnership we can re-think quarters 3 &amp; 4 to better represent the target to be achieved.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Current Police strategy through the Safer Neighbourhoods roll out, championed by the SN teams, summed up by 'scrap it / scrub it'. Jane Connors has explained the strategy to the Enviro-Crime Group and will continue to attend their meetings.</li> </ul>	
<p>3.3 <b>ACTION:</b> discuss the Police strategy with Martin Esom, Environmental Services.</p> <p><b>Youth Crime.</b> John Anthony reported as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No verified data yet from the YJB.</li> <li>• Anticipating good results on both victim and restorative processes and national standards. Prediction on grading – could be level 4 or possibly high level 3 (range is 1 to 5, with 1 as poor and 5 as excellent).</li> <li>• Three more headlines: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Effective practice quality assurance inspection in November.</li> <li>2. New Police Officer starting in November – coming from Enfield YOT with a lot of restorative justice experience.</li> <li>3. New programmes – black self-development, general citizenship, fitness (in conjunction with Greenwich Leisure and Team Leyton) and Children's Homes in the borough (26, all private, working with them regarding recidivistic activities).</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	RT
<p>4. <b>ACTION:</b> Major report at next meeting.</p> <p><b>CRIME AND DISORDER ACT REVIEW.</b> Headlines below, further details to be brought to a meeting later in 2007:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Moving away from a three year fixed audit programme to a three year rolling programme involving six-month reviews.</li> <li>• The use of the National Intelligence Model (NIM) to be extended.</li> <li>• The White Paper suggests a Community Call to Action using backbench Councillors.</li> <li>• At a recent meeting with Sir Michael Lyons it became very clear that in future performance will be measured a lot more on Anti-Social Behaviour and Respect activities together with local residents' satisfaction levels.</li> <li>• Simplified funding into local 'pots' with mandatory, more localised targets – ASB, Fear of Crime, Respect and Drugs.</li> </ul>	JA
<p>5. <b>ACTION:</b> SafetyNet Handbook to be reviewed in early 2007.</p> <p><b>DRUG &amp; ALCOHOL MISUSE – EXCEPTION REPORT.</b> Noted the following additional comments regarding the circulated Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Now retaining 77% of drug users in treatment programmes.</li> <li>• The number of drug users entering drug treatment for September was 818 – still not enough (target was 896).</li> <li>• Definite improvement in Police drug testing practice – 98% Sept. provisional</li> <li>• Crack House closure – fifteen year-to-date. Little activity North of the A406 – links with sex markets.</li> <li>• Workforce development objectives at risk over barriers to recruit a workforce development specialist – no appointment as yet.</li> <li>• The number of young drug users entering programmes of drug treatment is expected to increase significantly in the near future.</li> </ul>	RT
<p>6. <b>VOLUME CRIME – EXCEPTION REPORT.</b> Noted the following additional comments regarding the circulated Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vulnerable Persons Register implementation – Ian Larnder to be involved.</li> <li>• Stolen disabled blue car badge patrols – issuance process to be further</li> </ul>	

discussed with Social Services at the next Volume Crime group meeting. Home Office says issuance should be people based rather than vehicle based. Devices do exist to secure badges in vehicles but most are capable of being moved between vehicles. DCI Rose to be asked to liaise with the Volume Crime group.

- Break-ins, both residential and non-residential, are now being targeted.

**7. COUNTER TERRORISM / OPERATION OVERT - UPDATE.**

7.1 MB noted a joint review, funded externally, on how we managed our response(s) to the events of last August. He confirmed that issues regarding Operation Overt aren't going away – four suspects have applied for bail (one granted on strict conditions). There will be an inspection in January 2007 to ensure that proper processes are in place.

7.2 RT noted that Munir Zamir started last week as a full-time Community Cohesion policy adviser. He'll be working with Head Teachers in the borough looking at emerging issues regarding young people as a specific level of intervention. Also noted that discussions with GoL are not yet fully resolved – some feedback but still looking for additional resources to undertake the work required.

**8. POSITIVE NEWS FROM SAFETYNET.**

8.1 AA noted that recently issued Dispersal Orders have worked well with a demand for a lot more. Residents are seeing action being taken.

8.2 MB noted there had been good success with measures taken on Halloween.

8.3 RT noted that the newly acquired CCTV vehicle was now on the road.

8.4 SH noted that on 8<sup>th</sup> November – 11am at Leyton Manor Park – there's to be a recognition event concerning the high numbers of both hours worked and individuals involved in Operation Payback to date with good resident feedback. All members invited to attend.

**9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.**

9.1 RM spoke about the fatal fire last month and confirmed that details have been provided to the Police regarding other recent instances of arson in the southern part of the borough (21 premises since January '06).

**ACTION:** needs to be flagged up urgently.

MB

9.2 JA noted that the local Criminal Justice Board have circulated their draft Action Plan which will need to be signed off at their next meeting.

9.3 CH requested that at the Group's next meeting an exception report from the Probation Service should be tabled.

**ACTION:** exception report to be tabled at next meeting.

CH

9.4 MB noted a recent Police communication identifying an upcoming, hard hitting, London wide 'push' against BCS crimes. He will arrange for this document to be circulated to all members.

**10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING.**

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2007 – 2.30pm to 4.30pm – Large Meeting Room, Rowan House, Cecil Road, Leytonstone.

Agreed.....Chair

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