

Royal Borough of Kensington & Chelsea SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD BOARD

**Minutes of meeting held Wednesday 30 July 2014
Committee Room 1, Kensington Town Hall, Hornton Street, W8 7NX**

**Chaired by: Eman Yosry
Minutes taken by: Mohammed Miah**

Attendance list attached

1	WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS AND APOLOGIES	ACTION
1.1	Eman Yosry welcomed everyone to the meeting, and invited members to introduce themselves. She extended a warm welcome to Kim Howell, the new Ward Panel representative for Courtfield and Ellie O'Conner, the new Borough Commander. Apologies were also noted.	
1.2	Asked why all wards were not represented on the SNB board, Karen Clark explained that there were only six ward panel vacancies as prescribed by MOPAC, so all wards could not be represented.	
2	MINUTES OF LAST MEETING AND MATTERS ARISING	ACTION
2.1	Steve Wilkinson said his comments about victims of business crimes were not recorded at the last meeting. He pointed out that the company which conducted police satisfaction surveys did not contact victims of business crimes. AF said he will look into this.	AF
2.2	Iefoma Williams said surveys from Victim Support indicated police satisfaction was improving.	
2.3	The MOPAC application for SNB grants is available (KCSC to circulate). Applications are assessed on a monthly basis.	KCSC
2.4	As the previous Youth Advisory Group application was made on the wrong application, it is being transferred to the correct format by MOPAC; hence the response has been delayed. MOPAC to re-visit the application and respond as a matter of urgency.	MOPAC
3	TACKLING GANGS AND YOUTH VIOLENCE PEER REVIEW Mark Benbow, RBKC Community Safety Team	ACTION
3.1	The tackling gangs and youth violence peer review looked at the extent of youth violence in the borough, what is being done to prevent and tackle it, and how it can be improved. The review conducted 81 interviews via 6 interviewers. It identified RBKC as an emerging gang borough, and despite room for improvement, it praised RBKC for its good work on preventing and tackling gang related problems.	
3.2	Julian Harvey and Redouan Limrani spoke about the work Epic CIC is involved in. Epic provides a range of services that include recreational, educational, health, sport and entrepreneurial activities. RL also engages in targeted work with young people at risk of gang affiliation. He is currently working on a carnival project which will involve taking eight young people away on a residential during the carnival period due to the risk of them engaging in criminality if they attend the carnival. RL expressed the challenges of engaging with young people at risk, in particular taking them away from the carnival.	

3.3	<p>Asked what was being done to reach out to other community groups working with young at risk individuals, MB explained he would like to further engage with voluntary and community organisations, by sharing the presentation with them and explore how partners can move forward collaboratively.</p>	KCSC
3.4	<p>Clr Joanna Gardner commented saying that the Youth Offending Team, Police, Epic and voluntary organisations all provide parts of the services, and the different agencies needed to be pulled together and coordinated better for maximum impact.</p>	
3.5	<p>Asked how Epic linked users into mental health services, JH said that was an area Epic would like to explore in more detail. There are partners that have more expertise on mental health and substance misuse, and Epic is working to strengthen those links.</p>	
3.6	<p>JG said a part time mental health specialist is being employed who can link in with services such as Epic. She also highlighted the importance of packaging mental health support to young people in the appropriate way due to the stigma surrounding it.</p>	
3.7	<p>Lloyd North said there were known gang members in Colville and Notting Barns Ward and questioned what is/can be done about it. Brian Haig said he would be happy to speak to LN after the meeting to discuss the matter in more detail. EO'C added that she had been talking to particular families of interest in the area and a mobile police station had been parked there.</p>	
4	REPORTS AND FEEDBACK	
4.1	<p>EY had attended the Community Safety Partnership Board meeting. EY and KC attended the London Community Policing Partnership meeting, and LCP2 meeting with the assistant Commissioner Helen King. She also attended MOPAC training on understanding data with Vassiliki Stavrou and Yvonne Wurtzburg and participated in the Tackling Serious Youth Violence peer review with Shaheen Khan who fed in young people's perspective.</p>	KCSC
4.2	<p>EO'C mentioned the CPD had charged the undercover firearms officer responsible for the 2005 shooting. She requested members to report any tensions in the community as a result of the news.</p> <p>She said the demonstrations in Kensington have had a significant impact and drain on police resources. She thanked everyone for their support and patience.</p> <p>Theft of motor vehicles and youth violence was high on the agenda at the moment, with motor vehicle, in particular mopeds being one of the highest in London.</p> <p>She also mentioned more was being done to tackle anti-social behaviour with loud super cars on Knightsbridge, and announced 15 police and 5 PCSO's will conduct an operation this weekend. More powers will be exercised and cars may be seized for up to 12 months. EO'C urged everyone to take down number plates of cars involved in this type of anti-social behaviour and email details to BH. BH email address to be circulated. (Brian.J.Haig@met.pnn.police.uk)</p>	
4.3	<p>MB fed back from the Community Safety Partnership Board which met on 16 July. The Board signed off the community safety plan and the community safety review and discussed the Anti-Social Behaviour Act 2014. They also discussed the Community trigger which will give victims and communities the right to demand that persistent antisocial behaviour is dealt with. There were also discussions around probation.</p>	
4.4	<p>There was a request to know more about how many ward panels there are in the borough and how active they are. Billy Bowen will be asked to report on ward panels at the next meeting.</p>	

4.5	The Stop and Search Community Monitoring Group is progressing nicely. There will be a big meeting in September, which will be advertised in mid-August. The Group is recruiting at the moment, so anyone interested in joining it should contact Mohammed Miah who can forward their expression of interest to the Group.	KCSC
4.6	The Neighbourhood Watch has not launched yet as the new OWL system is not ready. When ready, the system will start in the north and work its way down the borough. The shop/stall watch phone system for Portobello Market is almost in place.	
4.7	The Independent Custody Visiting Panel visits stations unannounced to check the facilities and wellbeing of people in custody. The group meets quarterly and is also seeking new recruits to work with the panel. KCSC to circulate the advert.	KCSC
5	KENSINGTON & CHELSEA DATA POLICING AND CRIME DATA	
5.1	EO'C gave a summary of RBKC crime statistics. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Residential burglary has increased; partly due to windows and doors left open as a result of hot temperatures. - Whilst residential robbery has decreased (7.4%), business robbery has increased, due to the attraction of high profile shops in the borough. - Motor vehicle theft is up 34%. Lots of mopeds are being stolen, mostly for joyrides, but evidence also suggests some are stolen to use for crime and for trade. BMW/Range Rover 4x4 style cars are being particularly targeted as there seems to be a weakness in the locking system. EO'C suggested owners use a steering wheel lock for extra security. - Theft from person is down 23%. Asked if details can be released on theft, such as hotspot areas so that awareness could be raised amongst residents and visitors, EO'C said she would have to enquire and revert back to the Board. - Domestic violence has risen by 9%. 	EO'C
5.2	Asked about data on disability hate crimes, EO'C said there were four reports in the past year, but no convictions.	
5.3	There was a request to enquire about including disability hate crime data into the MOPAC data pack.	MOPAC
6	ANY OTHER BUSINESS	
6.1	The Board agreed to allow four councillors onto the SNB rather than three, as was originally agreed. One from the south, one from mid, and two from the north, as the north is a more politically diverse cluster. JG said the councillors will be elected on 16 October.	
6.2	KC felt the policing clusters were unevenly split. She reminded the Board that when it was initially split there was agreement to review it after a year, which had not taken place. EO'C suggested a meeting with KC and BB to discuss and review the clusters.	KC
6.3	There were requests for the data pack to be simplified and summarised. There was also a request for circulate information on MOPAC training.	MOPAC
6.4	Clarification was sought on the agenda setting process. Members were asked to forward agenda items to MM, which he will take to Executive Committee meetings for approval.	SNB
7	DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING	
7.1	Wednesday 29 October 2014, Main Hall, Chelsea Old Town Hall, King's Rd, London SW3 5EE.	

ATTENDANCE LIST

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6.00pm, Wednesday 30 July 2014, Committee Room 1, Kensington Town Hall, Hornton Street, W8 7NX

1. ATTENDANCE LIST

	Name	Organisation/Area of representation
1	Angela Spence	Voluntary Sector
2	Brian Haig	Metropolitan Police Kensington & Chelsea
3	Councillor Joanna Gardner	RBKC Cabinet Member for Community Safety
4	Elaine Chumnerly	The Royal Borough of Kensington & Chelsea
5	Ellie O'Connor	Metropolitan Police Kensington & Chelsea
6	Eman Yosry (Chair)	Notting Barns Ward Panel
7	Ifeoma Williams	Victim Support
8	Jean Davis	Disabled People
9	Jessica Kennedy	Community Representative
10	Karen Clark (Vice Chair)	Neighbourhood Watch
11	Kim Howell	Courtfield Ward Panel
	Lloyd North	Abingdon Ward Panel
12	Mark Benbow	RBKC Community Safety Team
13	Mohammed Miah	Kensington & Chelsea Social Council
14	Steve Wilkinson	Business Community
15	Tom Burnham	MOPAC
16	Tory Blair	Colville Ward Panel
17	Vassilika Stavrou	Independent Custody Visiting Panel
18	Yvonne Wurtzburg	Queen's Gate Ward Panel

2. APOLOGIES

	Name	Organisation/Area of representation
1	Cindy MacRae	Stop and Search Community Monitoring Group
2	Jose Fernandez	Community Representative
3	Mark Barr	Community Representative
4	Mary John-Baptiste	MOPAC
5	Richard Bryant	Older People Representative
6	Shaheen Khan	Young People Representative