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Update to the Havering Crime and Disorder Sub-Committee

Havering Safer Neighbourhood Board (SNB) – Three Years On

1. Introduction:

This paper is a brief update to the Havering Crime and Disorder Sub-Committee detailing the progress of the Board now that the Board has been established for over 3 years.

2. SNB Membership

- 2.1 The current Chairs 3 year tenure is complete so the role will be advertised shortly.
- 2.2 Vice Chair in position
- 2.3 Good representation at Board meetings and for SNB events
- 2.4 MOPAC's request to keep refreshing SNB Members: eleven of the seventeen members have changed.

3. Progress since last update

- 3.1 Pro-active monitoring of Police functions continues, with deep dives into complaints and response call performance taking place.
- 3.2 All ward chair forum established to reflect the reduction in ward clusters to the current pathfinder level of 1, which meets just prior to the SNB meetings to share best practise and support the ward panels that are struggling.
- 3.3 Extensive SNB awareness and engagement campaign carried out to develop ward panel and public meetings, with a web page and associated hyperlinks set up to make accessing key information easier and provide a route for enquiries.
- 3.4 Two annual conferences took place in March 2017 at the St Georges Centre in Harold Hill and the Mardyke Community Centre in Rainham, to engage with the community and help steer future SNB work.
- 3.5 Five "School for Scammers" road shows covering the scamming of vulnerable people, five days of "Broadcast" road shows covering the emerging issues of sexting, bullying, gangs and internet safety, and five days of "Stop and Think" roadshows covering Police and community relations and busting the myths surrounding Stop and Search have/are being carried out at relevant venues/schools across the borough.
- 3.6 Launch of Street Watch x 6, Hospital Watch and over 600 Neighbourhood Watches now set up.

3.7 SNB members are well engaged with the key pan-London fora such as LCP2 (SNB Chairs Forum), MET CC, Independent Custody Visitors and Stop and Search groups.

4. Funding Application to MOPAC – 2017 / 18

Havering has again been allocated £28,016 from MOPAC. Four projects were identified at the 4th April 2017 SNB meeting, and a funding bid will be submitted to MOPAC at the end of May 2017, with the associated project plans being initiated.

The Four projects are:

A. Theatre Forum Productions

- A further roll out of the SNB's successful theatre production, "School for Scammers" and either "Broadcast" or a new programme for young people that is currently being researched. Full evaluations of both the "School for Scammers" and "Broadcast" projects have already been sent to MOPAC, identifying how well received the projects have been.

B. Annual Conference

An annual conference will be run to:

- Provide information and presentations regarding current and future police priorities, and the new Police and Crime Plan including the tri-borough pathfinder project
- Providing information about how the community can get involved in key community organisations such as Neighbourhood Watch and Ward Panels
- Being innovative. Using techniques such as theatre forum to pass on information on key crime and disorder issues
- Trying to ensure that as many communities within Havering are represented at the conference as possible

C. Integrating Community Watch Schemes

- Continue to increase the number of NHW areas in Havering
- Update contacts list for all schemes (Street Watch, Hospital Watch, Neighbourhood Watch etc)
- Look at how we can support 'watch' areas in terms of providing useful and relevant information that is community driven and relevant

- The Hospital Watch scheme aims to make the hospital and the adjacent rapidly expanding community a safer place for patients, visitors, staff and residents

D. Signposting directory to address dementia

- The plan is to produce a directory for front line and support staff to enable quick and clear signposting to relevant services for dementia sufferers.

5. Safer Neighbourhood Board Dashboard

SNB members have now been given access to the new SNB Dashboard, which provides current Met Police data and enables comparisons to be made with other boroughs. Previously data packs were received about 1 week before SNB meetings which contained data up to the end of the previous quarter, so this is a big improvement which allows SNB members to access and interrogate current data as required.

6. Sub Groups

Havering SNB currently has four sub groups: a complaints sub group who analyse complaints against officers and performance issues in greater detail within a confidential environment and three sub groups who meet to develop funding bids and project plans to deliver the MOPAC approved projects.

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