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LONDON BOROUGH

CRIME & DISORDER COMMITTEE AGENDA

7.30 pm

Tuesday
15 July 2014

Town Hall, Main Road,
Romford

Members 6: Quorum 3

COUNCILLORS:

David Durant (Chairman)
John Wood (Vice-Chairman)
John Glanville

Garry Pain
Dilip Patel
Linda Van den Hende

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What is Overview & Scrutiny?

Each local authority is required by law to establish an overview and scrutiny function to support and scrutinise the Council's executive arrangements. Each overview and scrutiny committee has its own remit as set out in the terms of reference but they each meet to consider issues of local importance.

They have a number of key roles:

1. Providing a critical friend challenge to policy and decision makers;
2. Driving improvement in public services;
3. Holding key local partners to account; and
4. Enabling the voice and concerns of the public.

The Crime and Disorder Committee considers issues by receiving information from, and questioning, Cabinet Members, officers and external partners, particularly the Responsible Authorities, i.e. Metropolitan Police, Metropolitan Police Authority, Fire and Rescue Authorities, and Primary Care Trusts, to develop an understanding of proposals, policy and practices. They can then develop recommendations that they believe will improve performance, or as a response to public consultations.

Committees will often establish Topic Groups to examine specific areas in much greater detail. These groups typically consist of between 3-6 Members and the review period can last for anything from a few weeks to a year or more to allow the Members to comprehensively examine an issue through interviewing expert witnesses, conducting research and site visits. Once the topic group has finished its work it will send a report to the Committee that created it and it will often suggest recommendations to the executive.

Terms of Reference

The areas scrutinised by the Committee are in exercise of the functions conferred by the Police and Justice Act 2006, Section 19-22 and Schedules 8 & 9.

AGENDA ITEMS

1 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman will announce details of the arrangements in case of fire or other events that might require the meeting room or building's evacuation.

2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

(if any) – receive.

3 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Members are invited to disclose any pecuniary interest in any of the items on the agenda at this point of the meeting.

Members may still disclose any pecuniary interest in an item at any time prior to the consideration of the matter.

4 MINUTES OF THE MEETING (Pages 1 - 8)

To approve as correct the minutes of the meetings held on 10 April 2014 and authorise the Chairman to sign them.

5 INTRODUCTION TO OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY

To receive a presentation on the role of Overview and Scrutiny.

6 CRIME STATISTICS - STRATEGIC ASSESSMENT

To receive a presentation on the Strategic Assessment.

7 UPDATE ON TRANSFORMING REHABILITATION (PROBATION REFORMS) (Pages 9 - 20)

To consider the effect of the changes to the Probation Services.

8 REVIEW OF THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE LEAD MEMBER FOLLOWING THE TOPIC GROUP ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE.

Report to follow.

9 PROPOSED WORK PROGRAMME FOR THE CRIME AND DISORDER COMMITTEE FOR 2014/15 MUNICIPAL YEAR (Pages 21 - 24)

To consider the attached report.

10 VISIT TO ROMFORD AND HORNCHURCH TOWN CENTRES

To consider whether the Committee would like to visit Romford and Hornchurch Town Centres to assess the impact of the various projects aimed at improving the Night Time Economy.

11 URGENT BUSINESS

To consider any other item in respect of which the Chairman is of the opinion, by reason of special circumstances which shall be specific in the minutes that the item should be considered at the meeting as a matter of urgency.

**Andrew Beesley
Committee Administration
Manager**