



Haverling

L O N D O N B O R O U G H

CRIME & DISORDER SUB-COMMITTEE AGENDA

7.00 pm

Wednesday
22 April 2015

Town Hall, Main Road,
Romford

PLEASE NOTE EARLY START

Members 6: Quorum 3

COUNCILLORS:

David Durant (Chairman)
John Wood (Vice-Chair)
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 sub-committee has its own remit as set out in the terms of reference but they each meet to consider issues of local importance.

The sub-committees 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.
4. Enabling the voice and concerns to the public.

The sub-committees consider issues by receiving information from, and questioning, Cabinet Members, officers and external partners 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. These are considered by the Overview and Scrutiny Board and if approved, submitted for a response to Council, Cabinet and other relevant bodies.

Sub-Committees will often establish Topic Groups to examine specific areas in much greater detail. These groups consist of a number of 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 or undertaking site visits. Once the topic group has finished its work it will send a report to the Sub-Committee that created it and will often suggest recommendations for the Overview and Scrutiny Board pass to the Council's 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 - 4)

To approve as correct the minutes of the meetings held on 19 March 2015 and authorise the Chairman to sign them.

5 CASHLESS BUSES

To receive an oral report from Transport for London.

6 COMMUNITY PAYBACK

To receive an oral report from Housing.

7 YOUTH OFFENDING SERVICE - UPDATE

To receive an oral report from the Head of Children's Services.

8 METROPOLITAN POLICE UPDATE

To receive an oral update from the Metropolitan Police.

9 ROMFORD TOWN CENTRE VISIT

To receive an oral report on the night time visit to Romford Town Centre.

10 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**

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**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
CRIME & DISORDER SUB- COMMITTEE
Committee Room 3B - Town Hall
19 March 2015 (7.00 - 8.55 pm)**

Present:

Councillors David Durant (Chairman), John Glanville, Garry Pain and Linda Van den Hende

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Dilip Patel (on other Council business) and John Wood.

33 MINUTES OF THE MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 3 February 2015 were agreed as a correct record, subject to the amendment in minute 29 to read 'Superintendent' not 'Inspector' as the correct rank for Superintendent Burden, and signed by the Chairman.

34 IMPACT OF NEW LICENSING STRATEGY

Officers delivered a presentation on the work underway to update the Statement of Licensing Policy to accord with new Strategy approved last March. The aims of the strategy were:

- Reduce age restricted sales, particularly in the vicinity of schools and colleges;
- Licensing and Planning regimes to be more joined up;
- Control the availability of alcohol after pubs close to reduce anti-social behaviour;
- Control Street drinking;
- Control Cumulative Impacts;
- Reduce the level of drug use on licensed premises;
- To ensure we have a well informed Licensing Sub-Committee;
- To ensure the effective use of data to inform interventions;
- To ensure a consistency in approach to tackling problems associated with licensed premises;
- To reduce littering and urinating in the streets;
- To invite Community Safety and Streetcare to the Responsible Authority meetings; and
- To have a Licensing Policy that was fit for purpose.

The Sub-Committee **noted** the presentation

35 **UPDATE ON MOPAC FUNDED PROJECTS**

The Sub-Committee received details of the funding received from MOPAC for 2014/15. This funding was guaranteed for both 2015/16 and 2016/17. The funding received had been for the following projects:

- Street Triage - £30,000
- Improving support for Domestic Abuse - £70,000
- Integrated Management – Rent Deposit Scheme - £32,400; and
- Gangs prevention - £96,000.

All projects were proceeding well and officers were confident that all outcomes would be achieved.

The Sub-Committee noted the report.

36 **BURGLARY**

Officers had submitted a report dealing with the initiatives to tackle burglary within the borough. The statistics showed that the various initiatives were proving to be successful with a 14.5% reduction over a rolling twelve months. The borough had also been seeing a year on year reduction in the winter burglary peak.

The report demonstrated the success of the Safe Zones approach and highlighted for members the areas where efforts needed to be concentrated.

The Sub-Committee **noted** the report.

37 **VIOLENCE WITH INJURY**

As requested at the last meeting of the Sub-Committee the Metropolitan Police provided details of the definitions that were in effect from April 2014 under the Home Office Counting Rules for Recorded Crime. Comparisons were provided of performance in borough compared to the East cluster and the Metropolitan Area.

The Sub-Committee **noted** the presentation.

38 **NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING REVIEW**

The Metropolitan Police had recently published its findings on the first phase of the review into neighbourhood policing in London. The key findings of the review were:

- Neighbourhood policing under the Local Policing Model (LPM) was distinctly different to the previous ward-based 1:2:3 delivery model, which had been identical across all London wards irrespective of demand profile or threat, risk and harm indicators.

- Under the LPM, neighbourhood police officer posts had increased by 2,600 officers (138%).
- The roles and responsibilities of neighbourhood officers had increased.
- The Dedicated Ward Officer (DWO) shift pattern could be better aligned to their core roles and responsibilities.
- The brand and clarity of neighbourhood policing needed strengthening.
- 32% of neighbourhood constables were student officers in their first two years of service.

The key recommendations of the review were:

- The shift patterns for Dedicated Ward Officers would be adjusted to reflect their engagement role.
- DWOs would only be required to do central aid duties on New Year's Eve and for Notting Hill Carnival.
- The neighbourhood shift pattern would change to reflect the role of neighbourhood officers and to increase visibility.
- Non-emergency calls would be the responsibility of the nearest available unit and not just neighbourhood officers.
- Safer Neighbourhoods name to be readopted as this was recognised by the public.
- Review impact of aid on neighbourhood policing (phase 2).

The Sub-Committee **noted** the report.

Chairman

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