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Dear Councillor Dervish,

Re: Safer Neighbourhood Boards

Thank you for your letter dated 18th of February requesting that the newly formed Safer Neighbourhood Board consider holding all future meetings in Public.

The Board met for the first time on the 4th of March to agree Terms of Reference and future meeting arrangements. The Board discussed the recommendations of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and the levels of public involvement in future Board meetings. The Board agreed that for the first year they would meet quarterly and that these meetings would not be open to the public. They did however commit to an annual conference which will be open to the public and a date for this will be agreed later in the year. The Board agreed that public attendance can best be achieved at ward panel level and through attendance at Groups represented by Board members. We will be working closely with Havering Police to make Neighbourhood Ward Panels accessible to all.

I would be grateful if you could advise the Overview and Scrutiny Committee of the Safer Neighbourhood Board decision.

Yours sincerely

Trevor Meers
Interim Chair
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