

**Date** 19 June 2007

**Place** CPCG Office

**Present** Anna Tapsell (AT), Paul Andell (PA), Canon Ivelaw Bowman (IB), Gill Kenealy (GK), Jim Toohill (JT), Ben McKendrick (BM)

**Apologies** Doye Akinlade (DA), Paul Reynolds (PR), Cheryl Sealey (CS)

**1. Minutes of Board Meeting 15 May 07****ACTIONS**

Minutes of the Meeting 15 May 2007 were accepted without amendment.

**2. Matters Arising from Board Meeting 15 May 07***Taser*

JC had tried to obtain a copy of Rules of Engagement for the use of a Taser but had been told by New Scotland Yard that they were laid out in a restricted document.

Board members expressed concern about the lowering of the threshold for using a Taser, originally introduced to reduce the police use of firearms (lethal force), and health and safety implications.

**Board agreed** for AT to write to MPA and MPS for an explanation why CPCGs were not informed of change in policy in the use of a Taser and the absence of any consultation.

AT to write to MPS and MPA re use of Tasers

AT to write to Det. Supt. John Corrigan for responses to actions he undertook to do at a meeting prior to the Board meeting on 15 May

AT to ask JC for a written response

**3. Finance/Funding**

The MPA had agreed to let CPCG keep £5,000 overpaid for the eventuality of any redundancy, to be reviewed in 2011, and leave CPCG in a financial position as projected by JT i.e. with £7,000 reserve.

**Board agreed** that it would take over managing BM's salary via a payroll company.

Board recognised that it had to resolve whether the Youth sub-Group should have a budget.

In view of the lack of progress made concerning the Stop and Search schools' pack, PA agreed to talk to Chris Stanley of NACRO who were putting it together.

**4. Reports**

JC had circulated an account of the Safer Neighbourhoods Panels (SNPs)

meeting facilitated by CPCG on 6 June. There was consensus that the SNPs were grateful for CPCG's initiative.

IB wanted to know when and where Brixton Hill SNP met.

BM to look into SNP meeting times/venues

AT and JT had met with Seymour McClean a chaplain from the Rastafarian Temple. A meeting facilitated by CPCG to discuss issues arising from the closure of the temple was proposed and had since been arranged for 26 June at the Karibu.

IB reported that he had this day attended a conference on Young Black People and the Criminal Justice System.

## 5. Group Meetings

### *Forward Planning*

#### July – Terrorism

AT reported that Rose Fitzpatrick was not available to attend the CPCG on 3 July and that either Andy Hayman or Alf Hitchcock would represent the MPS in the discussion about counter-terrorism.

JT had contacted Stockwell, Brixton and Stratham mosques to inform them of the meeting.

The Board discussed the significance that Section 44 of the Terrorism Act 2000 would have in the counter-terrorism debate.

**Board agreed** to make a formal response to the MPA's Counter Terrorism report following the Group meeting.

AT said that the meeting would be Martin Bridger's last and he would introduce the incoming Borough Commander, Sharon Rowe, to CPCG at the meeting

### *Country Show*

Events in the CPCG tent at the Country Show were discussed. It was proposed that on the Saturday the tent would be given over to youth issues with a possibly a debate about whether the loss of discipline was responsible for the rise in youth crime. On the Sunday there would be a debate about drugs. It was proposed that a motion along the lines of 'prohibition [of drugs] has failed and the time has come for regulation' would be used to stimulate discussion for or against. JT informed the Board that Brian Paddick had, in principle, agreed to chair the debate.

JT proposed to extend an invitation to Group members to contribute to the Group's tent at the Country Show. For example, by publicising their own particular work in the community.

### *Parenting Conference*

GK reiterated that she was prepared to assist CS with organising the Parenting Conference.

**6. Sub-Groups**

*Youth (GK)*

Board discussed the Youth Group producing a flyer and contacting those individuals and organisations who expressed an interest in the Youth sub-Group.

*Stop and Search Monitoring Group (PA/JT)*

Last S&SMG meeting had been cancelled

**7. Lambeth Community Representatives Identification**

See Matters Arising

**8. Communications and Protocols**

**9. A. O. B.**

Signed as a true record: Anna Tapsell

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