

**Future Meetings****2 March 2010 6.00 p.m.**

Theme:

Venue: Lambeth Town Hall, Brixton SW2 1RW

London Criminal Justice Board

**16 March 2010 6.00 p.m.**

Theme

Venue: Karibu Centre, Gresham Rd, Brixton SW9

CPCG Business Meeting

**13 April 2010 7.00 p.m.**

Theme

Venue: St John's Church, Waterloo SE1

Flying Squad

Nb. second Tuesday of April due to Easter Holiday

**11 May 2010 6.00 p.m.**

Safer Lambeth Partnership:

Venue: Lambeth Town Hall, Brixton SW2 1RW

Drug and Alcohol Priority

Nb. second Tuesday of May due to timing

**Greta Brookes**

You will be aware that one Lambeth's greatest champions in many respects, Greta Brooks, passed away on 26 December, with her internment at Gruinard Cemetery, Westor Ross, Scotland on 6 January. Greta was instrumental in setting up the pilot lay visiting scheme (making checks on Lambeth police stations to ensure detainees received their rights) following the Scarman Report 1981, which has since become the Independent Custody Visitors scheme and now operates nationwide with similar schemes having started in other countries.

As well as her work with lay visiting, Greta was also a member of the Community-Police Consultative Group for Lambeth (CPCG) since its inception in 1981, even sitting on CPCG board up to two years ago. Greta also started the Lambeth Mediation Service twenty years ago, which is still going strong today, and was on the board of Lambeth Older Peoples Partnership until a couple of years.

**There is to be a celebration of Greta's life at the Streatham Friends Meeting House, Redlands Way, Roupell Park Estate, Brixton Hill SW2 at 2.30 p.m. on Saturday 6 February.**

**Lambeth Summer Projects Trust (LSPT) - Seeks new Trustees!**

The LSPT is a voluntary organisation now in its 23<sup>rd</sup> year. It works closely in partnership with local communities, the Metropolitan Police, Lambeth Council and other agencies. The projects are probably the largest community and police summer scheme of their kind in London and over 12,000 young people have participated in its comprehensive recreational and activity programmes.

The Trust is governed by a Board of Trustees which is seeking to ensure more local representation. Expressions of interest are invited from anyone willing to volunteer their time and skills. There are a number of meetings and an AGM each year.

Please email via our website: [www.lambethsummerprojects.co.uk](http://www.lambethsummerprojects.co.uk)  
or call 01892 664996 for more information.

### **CPCG Funding**

CPCG has now submitted its funding application, for 2010/11, to the MPA and we shall hope to know the outcome by the time of our planned Business Meeting.

Over the past two years, the funding process has been refashioned into a Service Level Agreement between CPCG and the MPA, with quarterly milestones and quarterly sign-off.

This year, the MPA provided a number of Service Standards which Lambeth CPCG generally exceeds, and has done down the years, and which (we understand) were designed to bring lesser performing CPEGs across London up to standard.

The Service Standards also include commitments from the MPA. Of note are:

- That the MPA will undertake to provide a formal briefing (by the Link Officer) to four CPCG meetings in the year. We have expressed the hope in our application that we shall continue our excellent relationship with our Link Officer and shall have their participation more often than that.
- That the Link Member shall attend at least one CPCG meeting per year.

### **Group Membership**

At the Group's Board meeting in December, applications for Group membership were accepted from Betty Evans-Jacas (Individual) and Dionne Lamont, Bethesda Ministries UK (Community and Voluntary). Anyone wishing to join the Group should ask for a Membership Pack from Ben McKendrick, Group Administrator. See contact details on the back page.

### **Hazel Saunders**

Hazel Saunders is leaving her post as Lambeth borough manager for Victim Support. We wish her all the best in the future and look forward to meeting her successor.

### **What the CPEGs have been talking about – January to June 2009**

From John May, Chief Executive of LCP2 (London Communities and Police Partnership)

This Briefing looks at the topics London's Community Police Engagement Groups (CPEGs) considered in their public meetings during the period January to June 2009, and compares this list with the corresponding figures from the pilot (Oct – Dec 2008). A total of 121 topics were raised at 31 Groups in the course of 67 meetings. (No data available for this analysis from Barking and Dagenham, Barnet or Islington.) Details of all topics raised are available on request.

- The hottest topics for CPEGs (raised in 50% or more of all meetings recorded) were:
  - community engagement (1<sup>st</sup> place out of 121)
  - communication between police and public (equal 2<sup>nd</sup> place)
  - Safer Neighbourhoods (equal 2<sup>nd</sup> place)
  - partnerships (4<sup>th</sup> place)
  - anti social behaviour (5<sup>th</sup> place)
  - stop and search (6<sup>th</sup> place)
  - local priorities (7<sup>th</sup> place)
  - police officer response availability (equal 8<sup>th</sup> place)
  - volunteers (equal 8<sup>th</sup> place)
  
- The three fastest rising topics out of 37 risers in total were:
  - the Policing Pledge (up 56 places to equal 14<sup>th</sup>)
  - decline in recorded crime (up 41 places to equal 29<sup>th</sup>)
  - police staffing numbers (up 41 places to equal 29<sup>th</sup>)
  
- There were 27 new entrants to the list of topics, partly because the pilot (October – December 2008) did not contain all groups. The three most frequently raised new topics were:
  - public order policing (in first time at 14<sup>th</sup> place)
  - policing structures (in first time at 29<sup>th</sup> place)
  - vulnerable people (in first time at 35<sup>th</sup> place)
  
- 55 topics dropped down the rankings. The three biggest drops were :
  - diversity (as a separate topic) (down 87 places to equal 104<sup>th</sup>)
  - serious violence (down 65 places to equal 75<sup>th</sup>)
  - seasonal crime (down 56 places to equal 67<sup>th</sup>)
  
- Three topics maintained their previous ranking, the highest placed of these being
  - anti social behaviour (no change at 5<sup>th</sup> place).

### Metropolitan Police Service Diversity and Equalities Strategy 2009-13

Last December the MPS published its Diversity and Equalities Strategy 2009-13 containing four themes which set out what the MPS plan to do. They are:

**1. Fair and responsive services:** delivering efficient and effective policing services that are fair and clearly responsive to the diverse needs of the people we serve. *This is the core of the strategy, an approach that recognises the unique function of policing and embeds diversity and equality into the delivery of all policing services.*

**2. Community engagement:** enhancing our engagement with all communities by listening and responding to their needs.

3. **Workforce and culture:** building and developing a talented workforce and working culture that promotes mutual respect and teamwork in the MPS.

4. **Governance:** monitoring progress, taking responsibility and being accountable for our performance. To ensure accountability at the highest levels of the organisation, a senior, ACPO-ranked officer or member of police staff will take strategic responsibility for each of the themes and drive forward its actions, while reporting on progress to the Deputy Commissioner through Diversity Board.

A copy of the Strategy can be found online at:

[http://www.met.police.uk/dcf/files/equality\\_stm/diversity\\_strategy\\_2009.pdf](http://www.met.police.uk/dcf/files/equality_stm/diversity_strategy_2009.pdf)

or

[http://www.met.police.uk/dcf/files/equality\\_stm/diversity\\_strategy\\_2009.doc](http://www.met.police.uk/dcf/files/equality_stm/diversity_strategy_2009.doc)

### **How Government Office for London Works**

9 February 2010; 10am-1pm

Cost: free; Open to all

*This 'How London Works' event aims to offer participants an opportunity to hear from senior personnel from Government Office for London. Participants will hear about how they work with partners to meet their objectives, and community and voluntary sector organisations will learn how they can engage with and influence the work of GOL. This event is organised by London Civic Forum as part of the 'Your Voice Your City' programme.*

GOL represents central government across the capital, delivering policies and programmes for twelve central government departments and making London's case in Whitehall. The Government Office delivers the Government's policies on key areas including leading the negotiation of 33 Local Area Agreements, ensuring the delivery of the Every Child Matters agenda, and delivering policies on crime reduction, reducing drug misuse, planning and neighbourhood renewal. The London Resilience Team, set up after the 9/11 attacks, works to make sure London is prepared for any emergency

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To find out more information about the event or to book a place please contact Deirdre on 020 8709 9774 or email [events@londoncivicforum.org.uk](mailto:events@londoncivicforum.org.uk). Alternatively, you can book online at

[http://www.londoncivicforum.org.uk/events/article/how-government-office-for-london-works/?dm\\_i=JD,3C8L,9ZD05,AEQW,1](http://www.londoncivicforum.org.uk/events/article/how-government-office-for-london-works/?dm_i=JD,3C8L,9ZD05,AEQW,1)

## Meetings and events attended during January 2010

28 January	The Stop and Search Monitoring Group met with Det. Ch. Inspector Paul Hudson, Det. Ch. Insp. Nick Sedgemore and Sgt, Lance Lamnea of the Territorial Support Group. If you would like to join this group, please contact the CPCG office. Contact details below.
26 January	Anna Tapsell attended the Safer Lambeth Partnership Executive meeting.
26 January	Anna Tapsell and Jim Toohill met with Lambeth Borough Commander, Ch. Supt. Nick Ephgrave, to sign-off CPCG funding application to Metropolitan Police Authority
22 January	Anna Tapsell and Jim Toohill met with Ann Corbett, Head of Lambeth Community Safety Division, to sign-off CPCG funding application to Metropolitan Police Authority.
19 January	Anna Tapsell met with Helen Charlesworth-May, Lambeth Adult and Community Services to discuss Lambeth's Domestic Violence Strategy.
15 January	Jane Warwick attended the Lambeth Police New Recruits Induction Day at Gipsy Hill Police Station.
10 December	Paul Andell, Wesley Stephenson and Jane Warwick went out on evening patrol with Territorial Support Group (TSG)

## Join our Group... Have Your Shout

If you wish to become a member of CPCG, either as an individual or representing an organisation or group in the Community and Voluntary sector, please contact CPCG (see contact details below) and we will send you a Membership Pack.

### Important contacts

**Non emergencies, advice or comments**

**Tel: 0300 123 1212**

**In confidence (anonymously) with information about a crime**

**Tel: 0800 555 111**

**Crimestoppers**

**Emergencies, if a crime is happening now or there is immediate danger Tel: 999**

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