

**Meetings /Events**

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| 5 October    | CSAS Community Safety Conference 2: Hate Crime. IB to attend  |
| 4 October    | Lambeth Community Safety Forum – postponed (see below)  |
| 30 September | Group Officers Meet with John Roberts, MPA Link member  |
| 29 September | Meeting with Chair and Vice-Chairs of Independent Custody Visitors (LJ and JT) to agree better ways of working together |
| 23 September | LJ attends Crime and Disorder Partnership Board   |
| 22 September | London wide Secretariats (B Mck)  |
| 14 September | London wide Forum of PCCG Chairs (PA)   |
| 14 September | Central Information Office. Meeting with analysts re putative Home Office project. (W W_S,IB, JT)                       |

**News**

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| Section 60 | 19th September. Kennington between 6 and 10 pm.   |
| Funding    | Now in receipt of full year's grant from MPA (see notes)  |
| Review     | Peter Clapton has started his review of our administration processes. If you have any aspects you'd like to see addressed, please contact Peter via the Office. |

**Forthcoming**

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| 7 October | Greater London Action on Disability (GLAD) launches MPA funded report 'Disabled People and the Police – A new relationship' at QE Conference centre. Contact Ben for details. |
| 6 October | Brixton Area Forum, Assembly Rooms, 7:00pm re Black Cultural Archives and Raleigh Hall plus Reshaping of Brixton  |

**Help Sought**

Website and Newsletter: If you have views on what you would like to see in these, or good examples from elsewhere, please let the office know. We hope to launch the website in November and the Newsletter in December

Analytical and keyboard skills. We are starting to monitor attendance at our events and shall shortly be surveying members and non-members. Analysis of the feedback will need some keyboard bashing. Please contact the office if you have time and inclination

## **Lambeth Community Safety Forum**

The second meeting of this forum was cancelled for logistical reasons. Meanwhile meetings of stakeholders are planned to devise means of broadening community and voluntary sector access to the CDRP which have the widest support. CPCG Officers will contribute constructively in line with our core values of open, accessible consultation free of patronage.

## **Funding**

Lambeth CPCG is now in receipt of it's full year's revenue funding from the MPA.

Every silver lining has a cloud, though:

- There is no funding for additional effort (the '0.6 post')
- MPA will still want to claw back the credit balance at 31.3.2004
- There is no commitment in respect of 2005/6; all the mood music at Dean Farrar Street suggests tough times for CPCG's.

CPCG Officers shall be meeting MPA officials later this month to discuss details. MPA have indicated the wish for a priority to be given to Outreach.

## **Constitutional Issues**

JT has taken advice from NCVO regarding the Group's status. This clarified the advisability of seeking limited company and charitable status sooner rather than later (There is new vehicle for limiting the liability of charitable organisations in the new Charities Bill going through Parliament, but it may be 18 months to 2 years away from implementation)

Camden CPCG are ahead of us and expect to register this month. They are kindly passing on the benefit of their experience. As a first step we shall seek a free initial consultation from Interchange, a charitable trust giving legal advice to voluntary and community bodies re registration, to determined the key options.

Particularly we shall want to know whether it is worthwhile amending our constitution now or to wait and make all changes at once at the time of registration. There will be full reports back at every stage and no commitments will be given without membership support.