

**West Indian Ex-Servicemen/Women's Assoc.
165-167 Clapham Manor Street
SW4**

PRESENT: CPCG BOARD: Anna Tapsell, Paul Andell, Doye Akinlade (Brixton Society), Canon Ivelaw Bowman, Shane Collins (Ind. Members), Paul Reynolds (Herne Hill Society), Jane Warwick (Independent Appropriate Adult Support Group), Jim Toohill **COMMUNITY AND VOLUNTARY MEMBERSHIP:** Wally Channon, Peggy Tyler (Clapham Town N'hood Watch), Neil Flanigan, Jim Fairweather (WIESA), David Hart, Ros Munday (Clapham Community Partnership), Lloyd Leon (Brixton Domino Club), The Most Rev'd Dr Bancroft McCarthy, Phyllis Jackson (HMP Independent Monitoring Board), Brian Mantell (Assoc. of Jewish Ex-Servicemen), David Prichard-Jones (Lambeth Older Persons Forum), David Tomlinson (Stockwell Park Residents' Assoc.), Abdul Sultan Virani (Lambeth Older Persons' Forum) **INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS:** David Corderoy, Peter Harris, John Howard, Lena James, Richard Moore, Brian Parker, Fernando Senior **STATUTORY MEMBERSHIP:** John Roberts MPA **LAMBETH COUNCIL:** Cllr. Mark Bennett, Cllr. Lorna Campbell, Megan Jones (Community Safety) **METROPOLITAN POLICE SERVICE:** Ch. Supt. Sharon Rowe, Supt. Alistair Sutherland, Supt. Paul Wilson, Sgt. Ronnie Whelan **SECRETARIAT:** Ben McKendrick

GUESTS: Siobhan Caldwell (MPA), John Cummins, Mehmda Mian-Pritchard (IPCC), Commander Moir Stewart (MPS)

VISITORS SIGNING IN: Rod Brown, Gloria Gomez, Nathaniel Jessel, Nick Mason (Lambeth Summer Project), Dr. Mohammed A. Davis, Clare Moore, Richard Offer (IPCC), June Pilgrim LWA, Keith Shaw (WIESA), Nora-Anne Sheehy, Adam Stacey (IPCC), Jeremy Wilson (MPS) **PRESS** Leon Watson SLP

APOLOGIES: Cllr. Kingsley Abrams, Habiba Compaore, Gill Kenealy, David Prichard-Jones, Hazel Saunders, Cheryl Sealey, John Wainwright

- Minutes in ***bold italic*** indicate action points

Introduction

1 Anna Tapsell welcomed Siobhan Caldwell (MPA Interim Asst. Chief Executive), John Cummins (IPCC), Mehmda Mian-Pritchard (IPCC), Commander Moir Stewart (MPS) to the meeting.

Information from Board/Group

2 A Briefing Paper for December was tabled.

Minutes of the Meeting 6 November 2007

3 Minutes of the Meeting 6 November 2007 were accepted without amendment.

Matters Arising

4 With regard to the average length to waiting time at the front counters of police stations, Supt. Paul Wilson said that research into that matter was ongoing and he would report back in February 2008. An information sheet concerning the opening times of Lambeth police stations had been circulated [Minute 11, 06/11/07].

5 In respect of issues concerning the conditions of police stations in Lambeth, Ms Tapsell said that the Metropolitan Police Authority (MPA) would be holding a meeting about Metropolitan Police Service (MPS) estates throughout London while the Group would continue to monitor the issue [Minute 15, 06/11/07].

6 John Howard said that he fully accepted the explanation given about the Group not having the authority to mandate John Roberts to vote as the Group wished on the future of MPS Commissioner, Sir Ian Blair [Minute 17, 06/11/07] However, he said that he expected Mr Roberts to take the Group's views back to the MPA, as he said he did [Minute 44, 06/11/07].

7 Mr Howard also referred to Mr Roberts' letter [circulated] in which he had stated that he tried to take back the main issues of borough-wide concern of the Group to the MPA, which Mr Howard said remained being the shooting of Jean Charles de Menezes. Therefore, Mr Howard said if Mr Roberts voted against the vote of no confidence in the Commissioner it would not be in line with the feelings of other people he had spoken with or heard across the borough.

8 Ch. Supt. Sharon Rowe said that she had met with Lambeth Housing and Community Safety the previous evening and had asked for some in-depth analysis about issues concerning Myatt's Field Estate. She said the Estate would also be an agenda item at the next Safer Lambeth Partnership meeting (SLP) with a view to establishing a group to consider matters such as lighting, CCTV and graffiti [Minute 19, 06/11/07].

9 In response to David Tomlinson, Ms Rowe said that the Vassal Ward Safer

Neighbourhood (SN) Team sergeant had been present at the meeting and would be able to brief the SN Panel at its meeting on 8 November.

- 10 Ms Rowe said that Supt. Wilson would be leading on the planning process for policing priorities for the forthcoming year and invited the Group to form a sub-group to link in with the police. Ms Tapsell asked for people wanting to take part in the sub-group to indicate their interest on the signing-in sheet.

Lambeth Police Report

- 11 Chief Supt. Sharon Rowe gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Lambeth police performance for the previous month (attached).
- 12 Ms Rowe said that excellent work was being done in Kennington in relation to gang issues, with nine arrests made, about which she would return with more detail. Home visits were also being made in conjunction with Youth Offending Team (YOT) and schools to inform parents of their children's involvement with gangs. The aim was to rollout the initiative throughout other parts of the borough.
- 13 Ms Rowe said that Lambeth had won an award a Guardian newspaper Public Services Award for its Exit programme, a partnership initiative aimed at preventing young people from becoming involved in gangs. In respect of this, Ms Rowe gave praise to Tony Daniel. On behalf of the Group, Ms Tapsell congratulated all those involved in the programme and proposed inviting Julia Wolton to a future meeting to explain the programme to the Group.
- 14 Ms Rowe said that a Knife Arch operation in Streatham had led to 50 searches, discovering 27 fare evasions and four arrests including for drugs and wanted on warrant.
- 15 Another initiative, involving Police Community Support Officers (PCSOs) and police cadets visiting licensed premises across the borough, led to five out of twenty places found to be selling alcohol to underage persons. In response to Paul Reynolds, Ms Rowe said that the licensing authority was present and more activity in relation to this issue was planned over the Christmas period.

- 16 Ms Rowe said that following a sweep of an estate in Larkhall Ward a firearm was found in an electrical cupboard and large hunting knife also found.
- 17 Ms Rowe said that following a launch, PC Nick Hedges became the first permanent police officer stationed at St Thomas' Hospital.
- 18 In response to Paul Andell, Ms Rowe said that nothing had had been brought to her attention concerning victims and witnesses as result people's personal data on government computer discs going missing.
- 19 In response to Canon Ivelaw Bowman, Ms Rowe said not all police and SLP activity to tackle gun crime and gangs resulted in a criminal charge as some of it was preventive work. She remarked that over the past four weeks there had not been a murder to report, unlike the previous four months which had been horrendous.
- 20 In response to Shane Collins, who commented that 80% of alcohol sales were made by supermarkets, Ms Rowe said that she would come back with details of the kind of premises visited by police.
- 21 Mr Collins said that groups of youth who perhaps stayed together for reasons of safety, as well as friendship, needed to be distinguished from gangs involved in drugs and violence.
- 22 John Howard asked why the practice of publishing, within the monthly police reports as had been the case some years ago, rates of convictions (as 'Judicial Disposals'), had been stopped.
- 23 Mr Toohill said that response rates to Computer Aided Dispatches appeared to have been below target for quite a number of months—and he wondered whether there was a systemic problem. Commenting on John Howard's question, he pointed out that it was an erstwhile misunderstanding to interpret 'Judicial Disposals' as 'Convictions'; the current equivalent was Sanction Detections and these were shown, across several crime types, in the current report.
- 24 In response, Ms Rowe said that Lambeth was the third best performing borough in London in terms of CAD responses, although not reaching the 80% target might not be

acceptable and that there was room for improvement. Ms Rowe added that the question of how the call demand was managed and level of detail in that respect needed to be looked into.

Stockwell One – Independent Police Complaints Commission report into the shooting of Jean Charles de Menezes

25 Opening discussion on the Stockwell One report, the IPCC's investigation into the fatal shooting by police of Jean Charles de Menezes at Stockwell underground station on 22 July 2005, Ms Tapsell said that for a significant period on that day the borough of Lambeth was potentially left exposed to a terrorist attack, as was crucially highlighted by the IPCC report. Ms Tapsell said that had the police been correct in their assumption about Mr Menezes, he would have had plenty of opportunity to detonate a bomb prior to reaching Stockwell. However, she said that the police were wrong and that the people they supposedly had under surveillance had been left at liberty, leaving the public in a vulnerable situation and on this occasion the police had been found wanting.

26 Mehmuda Mian-Pritchard set out the context in respect of the Stockwell One report's recommendations, saying that she was aware of the depth of concerns about the tragic death of Mr Menezes and its aftermath.

27 Ms Mian-Pritchard explained that the investigation into the Mr Menezes' death had been completed within six months of his death with the results sent to the Crown Prosecution Service in January 2006, which eventually led to the Healthy and Safety trial that had concluded in November 2007. However, she said that there was still an inquest to be held which was scheduled for Spring 2008. With regard to decisions about possible disciplinary actions taken against MPS officer, she said that these would be made by the IPCC Chairperson, Nick Hardwick.

28 Ms Mian-Pritchard said that she shared the frustration expressed by many that it had not been possible to conclude the legal processes more quickly. However, it was the evidence contained in the IPCC's report that formed the basis of the trial, which took place before the report could be published. The report contained operational recommendations which had been made

twenty-one months earlier in relation to very serious mistakes that had been made which could and should have been avoided.

29 Ms Mian-Pritchard said that key questions that the trial addressed were: If the police thought Mr Menezes had a bomb why did they allow him to twice to get on a bus and then the underground?; If they thought he didn't have a bomb, why did they shoot him? Ms Mian-Pritchard said that it was a priority for the MPS and MPA to do everything possible to ensure that those mistakes made on 22 July 2005 were not repeated.

30 In drawing up the sixteen recommendations in the report, Ms Mian Pritchard said that the IPCC worked closely with Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary (HMIC).

31 In relation to the Kratos policy, the so called shoot-to-kill tactic, Ms Mian-Pritchard said that this was not invoked on 22 July i.e. the Kratos codeword was not used. However, she said that it had become clearer since the report that there was much more to understand about the effectiveness of the Kratos policy. With a call for wider public debate and an understanding of the tactical options available to police to combat the threat of suicide bombers was a matter the IPCC believed to be imperative.

32 Ms Mian-Pritchard said that the most fundamental problem on 22 July 2005 was the implementation of the strategy set by Commander McDowall that everyone leaving the premises from which Mr Menezes emerged should be stopped once a safe distance away and questioned. However, this did not could not happen as the firearms team needed were not deployed in time. Yet, in understanding that officers were reacting to fast moving events at different times and locations, Ms Mian-Pritchard said that the challenge was to identify what could be learned from the incident to deal more effectively with the complex interweaving of command, training and communication issues involved.

33 In respect of failures in communication, Ms Mian-Pritchard said that they occurred at briefings of firearms officers, between the surveillance team and the control room, a firearms team which was not used to working with the surveillance team, noise and confusion in the control room, and a lack of

- clarity in the command to stop Mr Menezes entering the underground and failure of police radios. Ms Mian-Pritchard said that these issues needed to be addressed through organisational, training and technical changes.
- 34 Following the shooting of Mr de Menezes, Ms Mian-Pritchard said that the MPS Commissioner tried to stop an IPCC investigation, which in causing a delay, was in the IPCC's view responsible for much of the avoidable difficulty caused for the MPS. In June, 2006, regulations were changed to put beyond doubt the IPCC's powers to investigate incidents of that nature.
- 35 Ms Mian-Pritchard said that the IPCC specifically wanted to recognise the good work done in Lambeth following the shooting, which it had witnessed being carried out on many occasions at community meetings, and which had been highlighted as good practice to be copied elsewhere.
- 36 Ms Mian-Pritchard said that the defence adopted by the MPS at the Health and Safety trial may have created some confusion in the public's mind as to the police's willingness to implement the IPCC's recommendations. However, in practice there was no such doubt and it was clear to the IPCC that the MPS had accepted and acted upon the recommendations. The HMIC's review showed that significant progress had been made with ten recommendations implemented, four partially so and two awaiting changes to national guidance. Ms Mian-Pritchard said that some of the changes put into effect informed the successful handling of the terrorist attacks in London and Glasgow earlier in the year, which was welcome, although more still needed to be done.
- 37 Ms Mian-Pritchard said that as a result of the recommendations, it was believed that the police would be able to respond more effectively to terrorist threats, although it should not have taken the death of an innocent man to achieve that.
- 38 Commander Moir Stewart said that no date had been set for the inquest but with a large number of witness and legal representatives involved it was possible that it would not take place as soon as everybody would like.
- 39 Mr Stewart, head of the July Review, said that the MPS welcomed the IPCC recommendations as they did the HMIC report. As an example of police action taken, Mr Stewart said that a control room had been built with everything said during operations being orally recorded, while the training of people in charge of operations had improved dramatically. Briefings of firearm officers were also recorded on tape wherever possible.
- 40 Mr Stewart said that the two recommendations affected by changes to national guidance involved post incident procedure e.g. writing up of notes after an incident and communications on underground systems. Of the recommendations already implemented, Mr Stewart said that the MPS would not sit back and would seek to improve them.
- 41 With regard to the officers working on the day of the tragic shooting of Mr de Menezes, which was a huge regret to the MPS, Mr Stewart said that many went on to arrest the four suicide bombers of 21 July while many other plots had been countered since then.
- 42 Siobhan Caldwell said that the MPA had, for its part, committed itself to undertake a Scrutiny of what happened within the MPS on 21 and 22 July 2005 with the terms of reference considered by members on 6 December. The Scrutiny was to report back to the full MPA meeting in February 2008
- 43 Ms Caldwell said that the MPA would also be looking at recommendations made to the MPA, particularly in terms of its contact with senior police officers, as well as the allegation of the MPS falling down on nineteen areas which had been exposed at the Health and Safety trial. Furthermore, she said that victim and witness care issues may also need to be picked up on.
- 44 In response to Mr Tomlinson's concerns about tape recording control rooms where possibly sensitive information and names of members of the public could be recorded and subsequently disseminated, Mr Stewart said that intelligence coming in would have a 'firewall' put across it and that it would be used for the information it contained which could be actioned.

- 45 Ms Mian-Pritchard said that IPCC Commissioners and investigating officers were vetted in respect of confidential and secret information while there were specific safeguards within the organisation to ensure that information was kept secure at all times. In terms of anti-terrorist operations in England and Wales, Ms Mian Pritchard said that these were overseen by Mr Hardwick who had one of the highest levels of vetting in the organisation.
- 46 Ms Caldwell said that all MPA officers were vetted to a minimum of a counter-terrorism level, with some MPA members having significant vetting due to the information to which they were privy.
- 47 In response to Mr Andell, Mr Stewart said that the Firearms Reference Group (FRG) had come out of the Kratos Review Group, which he understood had independent members. If required, he said he could obtain a list of the whole FRG membership.
- 48 In terms of officers writing notes together following an incident, Mr Stewart said that they were entitled to do so as long as they declared the fact. In his view, Mr Stewart said that the national policy needed to consider the use of invigilators who could note the exchanges between officers.
- 49 Gloria Gomez, Latin Front, said that since the shooting of Jean Charles de Menezes the Latin American community had become more and more concerned about Stop and Search policy, which seemed to have turned into Stop and Deport, and was a reason why the Latin Community was suspicious of the police and other law enforcement agencies. Ms Gomez said that the Latin Community was also concerned about Kratos and wanted to be clear if it had or had not been or would be used.
- 50 In terms of regulations around Stop and Search, such as Section 44 of the Terrorism Act, John Roberts said that he had never heard of Stop and Deport until now. However, he said that the MPS had started to publish Stop and Search data on a monthly basis on each borough. Nevertheless, he said while Immigration Service may be seeking to deport more people they did not use MPS officers as they had their own enforcement officers.
- 51 In response to Ms Tapsell, who said that although people stopped on the South Bank may not be arrested, information about their immigration status could be passed on, Mr Roberts said this was not the case. In relation to Princes Ward, which was in the Security Zone, which included the Houses of Parliament, Mr Roberts said that one could expect more S.44 Stop and Search, and that 68% of people stopped in the Zone were tourists. However, Mr Roberts said he would try to find out some more information on the issue.
- 52 Ros Munday said that for the past two years there had been operations conducted by the Immigration Service with British Transport Police (BTP) at Clapham Junction, London Bridge and Waterloo, which was where most people were picked up.
- 53 In response to Mr Collins, who said that he found the whole operation leading up to Mr de Menezes death truly shocking, Ms Caldwell said that the MPA's view would be that it was not an ideal situation to have army personnel involved in any police operation in London. However, it was recognised that while it would happen in exceptional circumstances the MPA had repeatedly sought and received reassurance from the MPS Commissioner that there were very strict protocols around the use of army officers in any kind of operation, which were strictly adhered to. Ms Caldwell said that she would have to look into whether the protocols were in the public domain.
- 54 Ms Mian-Pritchard said that the IPCC had no jurisdiction over the army but a statement had been taken from an individual referred to in the report in relation to the role played.
- 55 In response to Mr Collins, Mr Stewart said that there was no point trying to defend what had happened [as a judgement had been made] and that it was his job to make sure it didn't happen again. However, while he said that the police needed more specialist resources, for which it had applied to the Home Office, particularly with the forthcoming London Olympic Games, successful outcomes relied on communication, and while the Gold Commander at the time had said in evidence that he was satisfied with the time that armed officers took to arrive, it had been considered at the trial.

- 56 With regard to identification, Mr Stewart said that having been involved in surveillance he thought it was a hugely difficult job. For example, during a live exercise to which a journalist and HMIC member had been invited to observe, communications broke down and a 'suspect' was lost in Oxford Street. In respect of army surveillance officers used, Mr Stewart said that they were not armed and were accountable to the Commissioner.
- 57 In contrast, Mr Howard said that he did not think that the surveillance of Mr Menezes could have been any easier, and that he could not understand why the two officers involved in shooting him had not been charged with murder. He said that he was also very concerned that not one of the passengers on the tube had heard the police call out "armed police" (as had been subsequently claimed by the police) and that the responsibility lay with the officers on the ground.
- 58 Mr Howard said that questions needed to be asked about why the Family of Jean Charles de Menezes, Campaigners and the CPS were not present at the meeting. In response, Ms Mian-Pritchard said that the de Menezes family had always been and would continue to be kept fully updated and informed of developments.
- 59 Mr Howard said that he could not understand why the Group was not putting a vote of no confidence in the Commissioner and asking him to resign.
- 60 In response to Brian Parker, Mr Roberts said he understood that the MPA had asked the Home Office for money four or five ago to improve communication underground, and between underground and overground, but none was forthcoming. He said that currently two different systems were being used.
- 61 In response to Mr Howard, Mr Stewart said that the two firearm officers involved in shooting Mr de Menezes would be called to the inquest. However, while he could not speak for them, Mr Stewart said that under the Criminal Law Act, any officer could use reasonable force to protect themselves or other people.
- 62 With regard to Kratos, Mr Stewart said that it's sanctioning by senior officers was an additional bureaucratic measure that had been established to bring a level of authority, in order to protect officers on the ground. However, while Kratos wasn't invoked on the day it did not mean that the officers didn't have reasonable belief that Mr de Menezes was a suicide bomber.
- 63 In response Archbishop Dr McCarthy, Mr Stewart said that the MPS had an excellent working relationship with BTP but as always there was room for improvement.
- 64 In response to Ms Tapsell question regarding the use of certain kinds of ammunition, Mr Stewart said that authority was required to use it and the reason the officers had been issued with the type of bullets they had at the time was because they were searching for four suicide bombers on the run. He added that the IPCC were aware of the matter and that the ammunition was not illegal.
- 65 Ms Mian-Pritchard said that firearm officers lawfully carried weapons and were permitted to use lethal force when it was absolutely necessary to do so if there was an imminent threat to life. She added that nobody on the investigation believed that on the morning of 22 July 2005 the two police officers involved in the shooting thought that they were going to shoot an innocent person that day.
- 66 Jim Toohill said that there was a procedure and a protocol for dealing with suicide bombers (called Kratos) which, in the aftermath, everyone – including the police - thought had been used but it actually had not. He therefore asked what confidence anyone could have in putting more protocols in place as an answer and if there was a cultural issue whereby police officers would act differently 'on the day' from the way in which they had been trained to do.
- 67 Mr Toohill said that in reading the IPCC report it was disquieting how very little concern was shown in communications on the day regarding the matter of whether Mr de Menezes had a bomb or not. And, when asked during the trial whether she had thought Mr de Menezes had bomb, he said that Commander Cressida Dick replied that she had no intelligence to say that he did not.
- 68 Mr Toohill said that the Association of Chief Police Officers' (ACPO) review of policing terrorism stated that policing suicide bombers was similar to other situations in which a risk

assessment was made about an individual i.e. whether it was the right person and whether they had the means and intention to cause damage. In respect of the de Menezes case, Mr Toohill said that the whole obsession was about whether he was the right person or not. The loss of the other two elements of the assessment led one to think of 'shoot to kill' in the worst sense.

- 69 In response, Mr Stewart said that the police had not invented any new protocols but had reviewed all the ones that they already had to make sure that they were adequate and covered all the bases. Mr Stewart said that the reason the Scotia Road operation was treated as a potential Kratos was because of ongoing the search for four suicide bombers at the time, with Commander Dick called in assist in that hunt. Mr Stewart reiterated that firearms officers were warned at each and every briefing that they could only use force if absolutely necessary.
- 70 Mr Stewart said that police were looking at a better process of identification of suspects, such as downloading data to mobile phones, which had potential if the issues of security in using an open system could be overcome.
- 71 With regard to Commander Dick not having information that Mr de Menezes did not have a bomb, Mr Stewart said that it was possible that (at the time) he did. Again, Mr Stewart said he wasn't going to defend what had happen and would focus on making sure that such a tragedy didn't happen again.
- 72 In relation to the CPS, Ms Mian-Pritchard said that she wanted to make it clear that the IPCC's job was to carry out the investigation, seek out the evidence and present its findings in a report. At the same time, she said the IPCC was under a duty to advise the CPS of any criminal offences that *may* have been committed; to set out a full range of possible offences for the CPS to make a decision. She said that the Health and Safety prosecution had been a trial with a jury and the law had been applied to the police as it would to any individual citizen or organisation.
- 73 With regard to the death of Jean Charles de Menezes, Mr Leon said that there were three things that bothered him. Firstly, that Mr de Menezes was followed onto a bus by a surveillance officer who, sitting behind him, could clearly see who he was and that he was

not carrying a bomb. Secondly, Mr Leon said that nowhere in the report could he find an example of any police officer having spoken to Mr de Menezes prior to him being pushed down and pinned on the seat of the tube train. Thirdly, Mr Leon said that Mr de Menezes was not a threat to life and was deliberately executed.

- 74 Lloyd Leon said the IPCC report was the most honest and independent report produced in the country to his knowledge. He said that nobody was above the law and the IPCC had been created to stop the police investigating themselves. However, in seeking to stop the matter being referred to the IPCC, he said that the Commissioner had appeared to act as if he was above the law, thereby tarnishing the image of the police and putting officers at risk. As such, Mr Leon said that the community would have no confidence in the police as long as the Commissioner remained in post.
- 75 Siobhan Caldwell thanked the Group for the invitation to the meeting and said she would take back the Group's views to the MPA.
- 76 John Roberts said that he had given the Commissioner a vote of confidence at the last full MPA meeting but had also given feedback on the views of the Lambeth community. With regard to Len Duval's support for the Commissioner, Mr Roberts said that it was hardly surprising as he was a Labour politician.
- 77 Ms Mian-Pritchard said that the IPCC were very grateful to the people of Lambeth and those who had been in contact with IPCC website about the report. She said that she also wished to thank Gloria Gomez and Jim Toohill for their role on the IPCC Community Reference Group in relation to the IPCC investigation and report.
- 78 John Cummins, author of the report, said the IPCC tried to reflect in the report what life was like in London in July 2005. Mr Cummins said that mistakes had been made as the Health and Safety trial had shown with the MPS receiving a conviction. He said that he did not agree that the notion that the trial was a soft option, as had been suggested, and that it had been debated by Lord Justices and the trial judge with first class Queen's Counsel both prosecuting and defending.

- 79 With regard to the CPS, Mr Cummins said that they had reviewed the evidence and made their decision, which was challenged by the de Menezes family, but three Law Lords at the Admin Court decided that the CPS had been clear in its judgement and had made the right decision. After that, he said that the MPS tried to have the indictment dismissed but their application was itself dismissed by the trial judge and the five week trial proceeded. He added that more evidence would be heard at the inquest, where witnesses would give their evidence.
- 80 Mr Stewart said it was up to the police to rebuild confidence in the police and agreed with the IPCC about a wider, public debate around Kratos and other police tactics with all the different communities.
- 81 Closing the discussion, Ms Tapsell said the Group had to look at the issues that were affecting Jean de Menezes' community such as the matter of s.44 Stop and Search.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

6. 00 p.m. TUESDAY, 8 January 2008

Room 8, Lambeth Town Hall