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SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD BOARD

**Wednesday, 13th March, 2024 at 7.00 pm in the Conference Room,
Civic Centre, Silver Street, Enfield, EN1 3XA**

Membership:

(Please see attached list)

AGENDA

1. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Pages 1 - 4)

To agree the minutes of the meeting held on 29 November 2023.

3. EXAMINATION OF CRIME STATISTICS (Pages 5 - 10)

Examination of crime statistics received:

- Current and planned police operations
- Confidence and satisfaction
- Target establishment on CAPE's (including staff changes, vacant posts, anticipated timelines for replacement, etc)
- Ward-based stats
- Abstrations from Wards

4. MOPAC GRANT FUNDING UPDATE

5. CHAIRS FEEDBACK

Tim Fellows (Chair) to present.

Feedback also to be provided:

- Stop & Search monitoring group
- CCTV Monitoring group
- How CAPE's are functioning

6. ELECTION OF CHAIR, VICE-CHAIRS, SECRETARY AND TREASURER

To receive nominations and appoint to the role of Chair, two Vice-Chairs, Secretary and Treasurer for 2024/25.

7. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

- (i) To agree the date of an additional meeting of the Safer Neighbourhood Board to be held in April 2024.
- (ii) To note the dates of the future meetings will be confirmed following Annual Council on Wednesday 15 May 2024.

Members of Safer Neighbourhood Board

*SNB Chair - Tim Fellows

*SNB Secretary - Alok Agrawal

*SNB Vice-Chair – Glenn Breslin

*SNB Vice-Chair - Janet Marshall

*SNB Treasurer - *Vacancy*

*Adrian Bishop-Laggett (FERAA)

*Vicky Dungate (Enfield Racial Equality Council)

**Vacancy* (Disability Representative)

**Vacancy* (Business Representative)

*John Prior (Parent Engagement Network) Representative

*(EYP Representatives)

* Rasheeda Ali-Sevaratnam (Independent Advisory Group (IAG))

**Vacancy* (Youth & Community Connexions)

Councillors: Gina Needs and Emma Supple

***Ward Panel/CAPE Chairs**

*Tom Mautner JP (Arnos CAPE)

*Gillian Yeung (Bowes CAPE)

*Tim Fellows (Brimsdown CAPE)

*Glenn Breslin (Bush Hill Park CAPE)

*Zakir Hossain (Bullsmoor CAPE)

*Shettal Panchal (Carterhatch CAPE)

*Simone Strauss (Cockfosters CAPE)

*Janet Marshall (Edmonton Green CAPE)

*Laraine Hodgson (Enfield Lock CAPE)

*Auber Delgado (Grange Park CAPE))

*Eddie Fraser (Haselbury CAPE)

*Adrian Bishop-Leggat (Highfield CAPE)

*Simon Tweedy (Jubilee CAPE)

*Jany Badoye (Lower Edmonton CAPE)

*Anna Kontopyrghou (New Southgate CAPE)

*Stephen Elston (Oakwood CAPE)

*Karl Brown (Palmer's Green CAPE)

- *Maria Aciyan (Ponders End CAPE)
- * Dave Cockle (Ridgeway CAPE)
- *Carole Shuttle (Southbury CAPE)
- *Dionne John (Southgate CAPE)
- *Irene Wilson (Town CAPE)
- *Janet Marshall (Upper Edmonton CAPE)
- *Vicky Pite (Whitewebbs CAPE)
- *Jon Appleby (Winchmore Hill CAPE)

Other Interested Parties: - (who are not SNB Members)

Borough Commander Caroline Haines

Chief Inspector Karl Curran

Inspector Chris Byrne

Inspector Richard Lee

Inspector Andy Cover

A/Inspector Farhan Asghar (Neighbourhoods Enfield)

Alice Bird (MOPAC)

Irene Wilson (Willow Road Residents)

Adam Cummings (Head of Community Safety)

Mark LGBT

Councillor Gina Needs (Cabinet Member Community Safety and Cohesion)

Councillor Emma Supple

*=Parties with voting rights. Please note support officers and advisors do not hold voting rights.

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD BOARD HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 29TH NOVEMBER, 2023

MEMBERS: Councillor Emma Supple, Laraine Hodgson, Stephen Elston, Karl Brown, Dave Cockle, and Dionne John.

Officers: Ivana Price (Head of Service, Young People & Community Safety), Adam Cummings (Head of Community Safety & Corporate Scrutiny), Stacey Gilmour (Governance & Scrutiny Officer)

Also Attending: Chief Inspector Karl Curran, Inspector Richard Lee and Alice Bird (Programme Manager, Community Engagement, Mayor's Office for Policing & Crime (MOPAC))

3 Members of the Public

1. WELCOME & APOLOGIES

Janet Marshall, as Chair in the absence of Tim Fellows, welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made.

Apologies for absence were received from Tim Fellows (Chair), Cllr Gina Needs (Cabinet Member, Community Safety & Cohesion), Glenn Breslin (SNB Vice-Chair), Alok Agrawal (SNB Secretary), Irene Wilson (CAPE Chair, Town Ward) and Vicky Pite (CAPE Chair, Whitewebbs Ward).

2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

AGREED the minutes of the meeting held on 19 September 2023.

3. MOPAC GRANT FUNDING - UPDATE

Alice Bird, Programme Manager, Community Engagement, Mayor's Office for Policing & Crime (MOPAC) provided an overview of the MOPAC grant funding application process and explained the function of the Safer Neighbourhood Board and the role they play regarding endorsement of any grant application that is submitted.

Safer Neighbourhood Boards (SNBs) are an accountability and engagement mechanism established by the Mayor of London to ensure police focus on the priorities of local communities. As well as receiving a ring-fenced amount of money for administrative support, each Board can apply to the Safer Neighbourhood Board Fund to support problem solving, crime prevention, crime reduction and community engagement initiatives (also referred to as 'projects').

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Projects should focus on issues and concerns identified by the local community, bring greater clarity on the purpose and functions of SNBs and better focus on the things that matter most at local level. Alice advised that in the broadest terms this means that projects should prevent crime, reduce crime, or provide engagement opportunities. Safer Neighbourhood Boards are invited to submit proposals to MOPAC based on local assessment of where the funding will make the biggest impact on crime prevention and community engagement, and to reflect local priorities.

Questions were invited from Members.

Clarity was sought on the application process and Alice provided further information on the funding allocations, timetable and process for submission and completion of the application form. She also advised that any application submitted to the SNB fund for projects must be explicitly endorsed by the Safer Neighbourhood Board.

Members of the Board raised concerns regarding the previous openness and transparency of the application process, and it was agreed that further information and clarity was very much needed, as several of the CAPE chairs in attendance at the meeting said that they had no idea of how the process worked and what was required when submitting a funding application.

In view of this it was **AGREED** that Chief Inspector Karl Curran would liaise with the CAPE Chairs outside of the meeting to clarify the funding application process and provide further context and support with the submission of any funding bids.

Alice Bird **AGREED** to circulate information to the SNB Chair and Vice-Chair which would include SNB guidelines/Terms of Reference, SNB Chairs-funding confirmation, End of Year Report, SNB mid-year monitoring return, SNB Application Form and MOPAC SNB guidance. Alice also said that she would be happy to speak to any perspective bidders should they require any further information or support.

Following further discussions Chief Inspector Karl Curran felt that a 'refresh' of Enfield's SNB was required as it was not functioning as effectively as it could be, and this needed to be addressed. He therefore **AGREED** to arrange a meeting with the SNB Chair, Tim Fellows, Vice-Chairs, Janet Marshall, and Glenn Breslin, together with Inspector Richard Lee to discuss this matter in more detail.

The Chair thanked Alice for attending the meeting.

4. MOPAC- COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT STRUCTURE FUNDING APPLICATION 2023/24

Following the discussions at item 3 above, members of the Safer Neighbourhood Board agreed to defer the decision on approval of the Love Your Doorstep Community Patrol Funding Application 2023/24 to the next meeting. This would allow time for the MOPAC funding application process to

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be fully explained to all CAPE Chairs (with support from MOPAC and Chief Inspector Karl Curran) and it was agreed that any further funding applications would be submitted to the SNB by the end of January 2024. All applications would then be reviewed at the next SNB meeting and, if endorsed by the Board, these would then be submitted to MOPAC for final consideration/approval.

5. REFORMING THE MET - THE IMPLICATIONS FOR LOCAL POLICING & HARINGEY

Chief Inspector Karl Curran introduced the presentation which provided an overview on Reforming the Met and the implications for Local Policing in Enfield, and he advised that off the back of the Baroness Casey Review there had been some fundamental changes in the way in which business will be conducted, certainly in neighbourhoods, which is a real positive change as investment in this area is crucial. The Met is moving towards a model which is dramatically different, but it is an exciting time for neighbourhoods.

Further information was provided including detail on a selection of themes which were highlighted in Baroness Casey's Review. Karl went on to speak about the values and guiding principles which had been set to help deliver cultural reform across the Met. These values and principles will be embedded in HR processes that develop and assess staff, meaning that everyone is judged by how they work. Karl also provided information in relation to community crime-fighting and anti-social behaviour and working with Londoners to keep them safe. This will include recruiting an additional 500 Police Community Support Officers (PCSOs) and putting more officers and PCSOs into local neighbourhoods and ensuring that they are delivering against the priorities of Londoners. Data will be better used to understand the demands faced and officers will then be deployed to communities where the biggest difference can be made. Specialist teams will be strengthened, with an extra 565 people who will work closely with local police teams and partners on investigating domestic abuse, sexual offences and child sexual abuse and exploitation. Work will also continue with partners to ensure individuals in need of care and non-crime help get supported by the right agency, freeing up officers' time to tackle crime. A victim focus desk will also be provided to provide better support and advice.

Discussions took place regarding key progress in the North Area BCU and Karl advised that they are actively consulting more with local communities across Enfield and listening to residents' views to help shape how work is prioritised. All strands have been represented at these community events with more to follow. Community led engagement is taking place across wards to establish their priorities and the way in which ward panel meetings occur is also changing, ensuring greater awareness and attendance. Neighbourhood resourcing is increasing on every ward in Enfield, and data is used to allocate resources effectively.

In response to a question regarding abstractions it was advised that these have reduced from Neighbourhoods and Local Investigation Teams by putting

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more officers in response and abstraction data is constantly reviewed to ensure this plan is working.

Karl went on to provide detailed information on strengthening Neighbourhood Policing and figures were provided on current and future resources which represents the ambition to increase posts on the Neighbourhood Policing Teams over the next three years (this is subject to recruitment and funding of PCSOs). An increase has already been seen in Sergeants and Inspectors within Neighbourhood Policing and it was advised that under the new model Inspectors will only be managing four wards as opposed to twenty-six.

Further information was provided on the outreach recruitment work which was taking place to increase representation across the Met, and this was welcomed by Members of the SNB.

The Chair thanked Chief Inspector Karl Curran for his interesting and informative presentation.

6. CHAIRS FEEDBACK

In the absence of the Chair, Tim Fellows, this item was deferred to the next meeting of the Safer Neighbourhood Board.

7. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

NOTED that the next meeting of the Safer Neighbourhood Board would take place on Wednesday 6 March 2024 at 7:00pm in the Council Chamber at the Civic Centre.

The meeting ended at 20:55

Dear Partners,

Stop and search survey: This week the Met launched a survey seeking the views of Londoners on how we undertake stop and search to help inform a charter which is being drawn up between London's communities and the Met.

As part of the New Met for London plan, the Met is reshaping its relationship with London's communities. We know that when done correctly, stop and search can be an effective tool - officers take 4,000 dangerous weapons off our streets every year as a result of using this tactic. However, when done poorly, it can have a detrimental impact on our relationship with communities – especially those who are disproportionately affected by it. The survey focuses on the public's perception of stop and search, personal experiences of the tactic, training for officers, and what could be done better.

Deputy Assistant Commissioner Ade Adelekan, who leads the project, said: "I know some Londoners have a poor experience of stop and search and that has damaged the trust, confidence and co-operation of some communities. That distrust is higher in communities where stop and search powers are used most often, generally where violent crime, driven by a small minority, is highest. This is why we are taking the first steps to reset our approach. We want to hear from Londoners and create an agreement between the Met and the public on how we conduct stop and searches in the future."

Over the past few months teams across the Met have been speaking to a diverse range of people across the city including charities, faith groups and youth groups – having open and frank discussions about stop and search practises. In addition, neighbourhood policing teams have held local engagement sessions across their respective boroughs. Some of the key themes to come out of these discussions have included the need for better training for officers, better public education around the tactic, and improvements on how stop and search is recorded and audited for transparency.

Abdul Ezedi's body found: Detectives leading the hunt for Abdul Ezedi, wanted for a brutal attack on a mother and her children in Clapham, believe his body has been recovered from the River Thames. On Monday afternoon the crew of a passing boat reported they had seen a body in the water at Tower Pier. The body was recovered by the Met's Marine Policing Unit and has been viewed by detectives working on the investigation. Commander Jon Savell said: "Based on the distinctive clothing he was wearing at the time of the attack and property found on his body, we strongly believe we have recovered the body of Ezedi. We have been in contact with his family to pass on the news. "As you may expect after a considerable period of time in the strong current of the Thames, formal identification is not possible visually, nor from fingerprints. We will work with the coroner on other ways to complete formal identification, such as DNA testing and dental records. That may take some time. Our enquiries continue into the attack. I am pleased to say the condition of the 31-year-old woman has improved. She remains in hospital but she is in a stable condition and no longer sedated. We have still not been able to speak to her but hope to as soon as she is well enough."

This week a man who acted as a driver for another man to commit an acid attack on a family was jailed for 27 months. Jadiel Williams-Douglas from Luton, was sentenced at Aylesbury Crown Court on Monday, after pleading guilty of three counts of assisting an offender. He had driven Denico Raymond to and from an address in Colindale in July 2021. Raymond, also from Luton was jailed for life in December 2022 with a minimum term of nine years – he was identified by a PCSO who recognised him from the footage. Williams-Douglas was identified after being linked to the car the pair had used to flee the scene.

Tackling abuse: A former Met officer has been convicted of multiple counts of rape following an investigation by Met detectives. Cliff Mitchell, 24 of Putney was found guilty of ten counts of rape, three counts of rape of a child under 13, one count of kidnap and breach of a non-molestation order following a trial at Croydon Crown Court on Wednesday. He was a serving PC in Hounslow when a number of the offences were committed. Deputy Assistant Commissioner Stuart Cundy said: “This is a truly shocking case and I am sickened by Mitchell’s abhorrent behaviour and the pain he has caused the victims, who have shown enormous bravery by coming forward and giving evidence in court... “I know this is another case which will impact the confidence people have in us. We are doing more than we have done in decades to rid the Met of those who corrupt our integrity, including investing millions of pounds into our professional standards team and bringing in additional officers and staff with specialist skills and experience to investigate criminality and misconduct. Part of that is dismissing officers who should not be here at the earliest opportunity. Mitchell was dismissed from the Met in December 2023 - we did not wait for his conviction today.”

Mitchell had previously been subject to a rape investigation in 2017, which had resulted in no further action. Following his arrest, the case was re-investigated and a file passed to the CPS. This resulted in Mitchell being charged with an additional three counts of rape of a child under 13 and three counts of rape. These six charges relate to a second victim and occurred between 2014 and 2017. Following his charge in September 2023, the MPS asked the head of vetting at another force to review the decision to allow Mitchell to join the service. They concluded the vetting clearance in 2020 was in line with the

Authorised Professional Practice issued by the College of Policing. As part of our New Met for London plan, we are reforming the way we vet officers and staff. We have changed our approach and are confident that under our reformed approach, Mitchell would not be granted vetting clearance and be able to join the Met.

In an unrelated case, a police officer appeared in court on Wednesday charged with various offences. PC Grant Fulker, attached to Specialist Operations, appeared in custody at City of London Magistrates’ Court on Wednesday charged with sexual assault on a male aged over 13; abuse of position of trust (inciting sexual activity) and misconduct in public office. PC Fulker was arrested on Monday. He is suspended from duty.

Protest: Karen currently leads our Public Order command and is one of many “Gold” commanders who have led the policing response to the regular protests that have been happening in response to the situation in Gaza. Last weekend saw up to 30,000 people in central London and a police presence drawn from 29 forces. There were 12 arrests for placard related offences, assaults on officers and refusal to remove face coverings.

Thankfully, none of the officers who were assaulted were seriously injured. Despite these arrests, the overwhelming majority who took part were peaceful and acted entirely with the law. We worked closely with the organisers and their stewarding team in the run up to and during the protest and we're grateful for their cooperation. We'd also particularly like to thank officers from South Yorkshire Police who were travelling back to their accommodation when they stopped and arrested a suspect fleeing a robbery.

On Wednesday, at a smaller protest outside Parliament while MPs debated the situation in Gaza, the words "From the River to the Sea" were projected onto the building. This is a chant that has been frequently heard at pro-Palestinian demonstrations for many years and we are very aware of the strength of feeling in relation to it. While there are scenarios where chanting or using these words could be unlawful depending on the specific location or context, its use in a wider public protest setting, such as on Wednesday, is not a criminal offence.

999 response: We know that how quickly we respond to calls for help is critical to people's confidence in us. We are pleased to be able to tell you that the response times for our call centres has dramatically improved in recent months to exceed national targets. In January we answered 91 per cent of 999 calls within 10 seconds last month, with an average wait time of seven seconds. This is above the national target of 90 per cent and a dramatic improvement after falling to below 60 per cent last Summer. Waiting times for callers to the 101 non-emergency number have also reduced as a result of call handlers assessing the needs of the caller more quickly and being able to redirect the more than 25% of calls that do not have a policing purpose. As a result, wait times were down from nearly eight minutes last Summer to under two minutes.

Marie Heracleous, Director of Business Services at the Met, said: "With calls being answered more quickly we can get help to those who urgently need it. It means our officers can respond more quickly to incidents happening in their local community, helping victims of crime and arresting the criminals responsible. Our call handlers work around the clock to take calls and help those who need police assistance, where they don't, we will assess the call, and ensure they get the right care that they need."

Local Good News

- In early February, Officers from the TCT, Lower Edmonton and Edmonton Green were on Fore Street, specifically for proactive patrols to tackle the ongoing drugs issues. All the officers worked well as a team to get a fantastic result in an area that seems to be a huge hotspot for various offences. A situation occurred where a male had made off from Police out of a vehicle, but was chased by officers and with excellent teamwork between all of the officers, the male was detained. It was later confirmed that the male in question was wanted for ABH, Burglary and also had in his possession Cannabis consistent with supplying drugs including a set of scales, a mobile phone and Cash! The male was subsequently arrested for Wanted X 2 for ABH and Burglary and also for Possession with Intent to Supply. Further to this...officers from the Upper Edmonton Ward were completing weapon sweeps and on their patrols...2 Knives were recovered from Bushes outside Plevna House in Upper Edmonton. The knives were hidden in Bushes with easy access.
- Good work from our Proactive Syndicate 2 Team Recently, the officers from Syndicate 2 responded to a call to police that detailed a member of the public had seen a male who was concealing a large knife in his waist band in EN1. The Syndicate Unit identified the suspect in a mass of other possible suspects...The male was found to be concealing himself inside some public toilets. The male was then detained for a purpose of a search, where the knife was recovered after it was discarded in the female toilets...The male was arrested on suspicion of being in possession of an offensive weapon in a public place. This weapon is no longer on the streets, good news all round and good work from Syndicate 2! This was amongst a host of great work they did during this shift.
- Officers from Edmonton Green, Upper Edmonton and Lower Edmonton Safer Neighbourhood team, were on Vehicle crime patrols as part of Op Poethlyn in Upper Edmonton recently. During these patrols a lost/stolen vehicle was located and seized! While awaiting for recovery of the vehicle, officers also responded to assist a Safer Transport Officer, who was dealing with a Knife point robbery at Pymmes Park, which spilled out onto Fore Street. There was several suspects, two victims and a large crowd gathering to record the interaction between police and suspects. Dynamic thinking and concise communication with of the all officers involved...they managed to identify that there was a knife point robbery of the two victims at the same location, Pymmes Park. This was committed by a group of six suspects. With two of the Suspects located, identified and Arrested for Suspicion of Robbery, it was also mentioned that one of the victims fathers had been stabbed/threatened at the scene, but fast action by all of the officers prevented any serious injury! With victim descriptions provided, a pedal bike located and seized as one of the bikes used in the robbery. Followed up with CCTV, it seemed

that the two males arrested were confirmed as part of the group of six suspects. A busy situation for all of the officers, but one that they did extremely well by assessing the information, acting and reassuring the victims of crime.

- The Innovation Hub Haringey and Enfield event was held this week for Eastern European Communities and it saw a great attendance from Romanian, Polish, Bulgarian and Albanian communities. NGO's working with Polish communities and the delegation from the Polish Consulate in London. Officers and the members of the public in attendance, discussed how police can improve trust and confidence in amongst those communities and what their preferred method of engagement would be. Much to be said about reporting crime and reasons for it were raised. The local police team were able to explain how data based policing relies upon communities calling in with their concerns and reporting crimes. The Innovation Hub was facilitated by West Green SNT team led by PS Monika Malecka. Also in attendance was Supt. Chris Byrne for North Area Neighbourhoods. Great to see as part of the recent Neighbourhood Policing Week.
- In the middle of January, two young males were arrested for possession of an offensive weapon, and Possession with the intent to supply Class B, at Trafalgar Place N18. Local Enfield SNT Officers were conducting patrols in relation to an operation and whilst driving along Fore Street N18, three young males made eye contact with the officers and immediately made off, but two were then shortly detained. A huge machete was found in a close proximity of where the males had ran from the Officers. One of the males had burner phone, a large sum of cash and a substantial amount of Class B drugs on him. Officers have then arrested both of the males. A search of their addresses was then authorised and a large amount of Cash and items relating to drug dealing were recovered from the suspect's home address. The knife recovered is yet another dangerous blade off the streets. Great work.
- Recently there was a 100 plant (three rooms full) cannabis factory on Hertford Road which was a joint enterprise between Town and Grange ward. 1 arrest was made for cultivation of cannabis.
- Bush Hill Park arrested a Burglar. Whilst on route to a suspects on at Lena Crescent they spotted the subject near the location. The subject stopped and searched and found in possession of a crowbar and believed stolen watches.
- Another Burglary arrest was made on Brownlow Road. A call to an address for suspects on scene. Town and Carterhatch SNT Officers have attended and searched the gardens with dog unit and thus lead to finding the suspect hidden in a nearby garden.
- Over the past couple of month our local officers have been engaging with local businesses who play a vital part in our community, this resulted in handing out over

120 crime prevention packs. It's imperative our officers and businesses have a good working relationship. Our businesses are the eyes and ears in our community. Officers conducted a high volume of high visibility patrols to deter and disrupt street robberies and violence against women and girls in the Upper Edmonton Area. These operations were in conjunction with CCTV operators identifying any subjects of interest and building intelligence profiles in hot spot areas. This information was relayed to officers on the street to conduct on the spot stops.