

# Enfield Safer Neighbourhood Board

## Introduction

- 1.1 The London Mayor's Strategy and the Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime (MOPAC) required a change to the way which community engagement on crime and policing issues occurred in London.
- 1.2 A Safer Neighbourhood Board (SNB) was required in each London borough. The SNB was to be in place by 1<sup>st</sup> April 2014.

## **2. MOPAC Guidance**

- 2.1 MOPAC guidance for the Safer Neighbourhood Board set out the following key aims:
  - To ensure communities are more closely involved in problem solving and crime prevention
  - To have a broad remit to reflect MOPAC's broader responsibilities, while respecting the view that local people know best what is needed at local level
  - To have greater reach and ensure a more frequent refresh of ideas and views
  - To achieve greater coherence between different engagement mechanisms such as ward panels, Independent Advisory Groups, Independent Custody Visitors and Neighbourhood Watch.
  - To make more efficient use of resources to deliver value for money and target funds at tackling issues of local concern and crime prevention
- 2.2 The ten specific functions for a Safer Neighbourhood Board identified in the Mayors manifesto were as follows;
  - Establish policing priorities in the borough
  - Monitor crime performance and community confidence
  - Monitor complaints against the borough officers
  - Monitor complaints from victims of crime
  - Assure that Independent Custody Visiting is delivered
  - Play a significant role in community payback
  - Ensure that all wards have a ward panel
  - Oversee the borough Independent Advisory Group
  - Support Neighbourhood Watch
  - Ensure delivery of the Stop and Search community monitoring function

### **3. Structure in Enfield**

#### **CAPEs (Community Action Partnerships in Enfield)**

- 3.1 CAPEs are made up of members of the public and local business representatives. Members of the public are responsible for running each group and meetings are supported by the Metropolitan Police Safer Neighbourhoods Programme. Enfield has 21 CAPEs across the borough.
- 3.2 CAPEs are established in each Enfield ward. They meet at intervals which reflect the five-week police shift pattern. The CAPEs set three promises for their ward. These will be ward specific, short-term issues needing low resources. Any other issues can be referred to the Neighbourhood Panel.
- 3.2 CAPE meetings are attended by community representatives, elected members, a dedicated ward police officer and a dedicated ward PCSO. The ward sergeant will attend at least 2 meetings per year. Each CAPE belongs to one of three Neighbourhoods.

#### **Neighbourhood Panels**

- 3.3 The three Neighbourhood Panels enable priority setting from the 21 CAPEs to ensure the key priorities are filtered to the Safer Neighbourhood Board via elected Neighbourhood Panel representatives (two to three per neighbourhood). Neighbourhood Panels are closed meetings chaired by the Neighbourhood Inspector and attended by 6-8 CAPE chairs for that Neighbourhood. The Neighbourhood Panels meet quarterly; each ward is represented by the CAPE chair (or a deputy) and supported by the Neighbourhood Inspector. They set three Neighbourhood Priorities. These are longer-term issues, affecting more than one ward and needing greater resources to tackle. Recommendations for the Neighbourhood Priorities may come from the CAPEs and/or be informed by crime data. The Neighbourhood Panels act as a priority-setting group and will set and agree 3 priorities for the Neighbourhood. These priorities may be more resource intensive and will take note of all the CAPE promises.
- 3.4 Scrutiny of the Neighbourhood Panels and the CAPEs falls to the Safer Neighbourhood Board.

The Neighbourhood Panels are as follows:

**Southgate and West Neighbourhood:** Cockfosters, Highlands, Southgate, Winchmore Hill, Bush Hill Park, Southgate Green, Palmers Green, Bowes

**Enfield & North Neighbourhood;** Chase, Town, Southbury, Grange, Turkey Street, Enfield Lock, Enfield Highway

**Edmonton & South Neighbourhood;** Ponders End, Jubilee, Lower Edmonton, Haselbury, Edmonton Green, Upper Edmonton

## **Safer Neighbourhood Board**

- 3.5 Within the structure, the role of the Safer Neighbourhood Board (SNB) is to:
- Address local priorities;
  - Hear and monitor complaints;
  - Monitor police performance;
  - Involve the community in problem solving and crime prevention;
  - Feedback to the Community Safety Partnership where appropriate
  - Provide greater police accountability
  - Scrutinise the Neighbourhood Panels
- 3.6 For the SNB to maintain an effective level of scrutiny as well as being truly representative of the community of Enfield, it was felt that it needed be made up of between 12-20 members. The current membership of the Safer Neighbourhood Board is attached as Appendix 1. The SNB will also be attended by 1-2 Senior Officers from Metropolitan Police.
- 3.7 The SNB have now met on 3 occasions. At each meeting they receive information on the following:
- Examination of crime statistics received from MOPAC including
    - Recorded Crime
    - Anti-Social Behaviour
    - Public Confidence and Victim Satisfaction
    - Complaints against Borough Officers/Staff
    - Stop and Search
    - Independent Custody Visitor Scheme
  - Police target establishment details
  - Update on current police operations
- 3.8 In the first year of operation the SNB has been developing its methodology to deal with its responsibilities. It has received presentations on the work of the Independent Custody Scheme and Victim Support.
- 3.9 The SNB has also recently had three bids accepted for the Safer Neighbourhood Board Fund which is available through MOPAC. The agreed projects are detailed briefly below:
- St Giles Trust SOS Knife Project and Leaflet  
This will involve sessions running in secondary schools with children in Year 7 to look at young peoples' attitudes to gangs and knife crime and to link this with the fear of crime, territoriality and gangs. These are designed to help to prevent young children from becoming involved in gangs and from carrying knives and offensive weapons. A leaflet around knife crime in conjunction with the safer schools police will be used to further prevent young people from carrying knives. They will be used with the above sessions and also

distributed to both primary and secondary schools through the Youth Engagement Panel, Youth Offending Unit and Parenting Services.

- **Parenting Workshops**  
Commission two workshops for the purpose of promoting better parental understanding of gangs and serious youth violence. This will provide parents with the relevant skill sets so that they know when to intervene and seek professional support, thereby reducing the chances of their children being involved with crime. The knife crime leaflets will also be distributed as part of these sessions. The sessions will be delivered in areas and locations that will be identified in partnership with the Gangs Partnership Group.
- **Visits to Ben Kinsella Exhibition**  
This will provide the opportunity for 500 people to attend the Ben Kinsella exhibition in Islington to understand about the consequences of knife crime and how they can stay safe. This is aimed at young people identified through the schools and youth services to help prevent youth violence and injury. The young people will be accompanied by teachers and parents. This will be secondary school age children, but there may also be some adults targeted (e.g. the parents who go to the parenting workshops on gangs).

## **Appendix 1**

### **Members of Safer Neighbourhood Board -**

\*SNB Chairman – Adrian Bishop-Laggett

Cape Chairs – *(who in addition to their own area of responsibility represent the other CAPES listed)*

\*Alok Agrawal (Southgate Green, Bowes, Palmers Green) – *SNB Secretary*

\*Glenn Breslin (Bush Hill Park, Winchmore Hill)

\*Pat Jackson (Jubilee, Ponders End)

\*Harry Landsman (Cockfosters, Southgate, Highlands)

\*Janet Marshall (Edmonton Green, Upper Edmonton) – *SNB Vice-Chair*

\*Eddie Fraser (Haselbury, Lower Edmonton)

\*Carol Shuttle (Southbury)

\*Brian Waters (Town, Grange, Chase)

\*Ruth Ward (Enfield Highway, Enfield Lock & Turkey Street)- *SNB Vice-Chair*

\*Tim Fellows (LGBT) – *SNB Treasurer*

\*Vicky Dungate (Enfield Racial Equality Council)

\*Jane Richards (MPS Disability Steering Group)

\*Mark Rudling (Business Representative(EBRA))

\*Askin Erozkal (PEP Member) Parent Champion

\* *Vacant position* (EYP representative)

\*Rasheed Sadegh-Zadeh (Independent Advisory Group (IAG) )

*Vacant position* (previously Caroline Berry) (Stop and Search Community Monitoring Group)

Lorna Logan (Independent Custody Visitors Panel (ICV) )

Andrew Francalanza (Victim Support Representative)

Councillors \*Andy Milne

\*Bernie Lappage

### **Other Interested Parties:-** *(including CAPE Chairs who are not SNB elected members*

Chief Inspector Ian Kibblewhite

Bradley Few (MOPAC)

Councillor Chris Bond (Cabinet Member for Environment & Community Safety)

Joanne McCartney (GLA Member)

Caroline Berry (Stop and Search Community Monitoring Group)

Peter Waterhouse (Independent Custody Visitors Panel (ICV) )

Jon Appleby (Winchmore Hill CAPE)

Janet Billingsley (Upper Edmonton CAPE)

David Cockle (Highlands CAPE)

Annette Dreblow (Chase CAPE)

John Lawrence (Ponders End CAPE)

Colette Cox (Lower Edmonton CAPE)

Josie Royce (Southgate CAPE)

Irene Wilson (Willow Road residents)

Gillian Yeung (Bowes CAPE)

Sheila Stacey (Enfield Lock CAPE)

Pravin Varsani (Turkey Street CAPE)

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