



# HILLINGDON

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## SNB (Safer Neighbourhood Board) Meeting 4 June 2024 Committee Room 3 – Civic Centre MINUTES

### Present:

(JH) Jean Hillman,	SNB Chair
(DC) Donna Cooper	LBH Community Safety
(DL) Dave Ludlow	Hillingdon Neighbourhood Watch
(KM) Kevin Mepham	Hillingdon Neighbourhood Watch
(PT) Det. Superintendent Pete Thackray	Metropolitan Police
(BW) Chief Inspector Ben Wright	Metropolitan Police
(CS) Colleen Sullivan	Councillor, LBH
(PS) Peter Smallwood	Councillor, LBH
(MC) Mike Crane	BID Manager
(SG) Suresh Gupta	New SNB Member
(JS) Jeremy Stern	New SNB Member

### Apologies:

(CB) Chris Beatty	Age UK
(DL) Dan Lipinski (Insp)	Metropolitan Police
(CH) Chris Head	Hillingdon Neighbourhood Watch
(MC) Mike Crane	BID Manager
(CT) Chris Tarr	Chair Ickenham Ward Panel
(MW) Mark Wolski	LBH Head Community Safety
(HL) Hoda Lacey	Lay Member
(SF) Inspector Sarah Fox	Metropolitan Police
(SG) Steve Gregor	New SNB Member
(AR) Ava Rackham	Hillingdon Youth Council
(AA) Alex Antronou	Hillingdon Youth Council

Item	
1	Minutes from the last meeting 27 February 2024:

	<p>The minutes were agreed and noted, with no amendments.</p>
<p><b>2</b></p>	<p><b>Chair's Quarterly Report</b></p> <p><b>London Assembly Police &amp; Crime Committee (LA P&amp;CC)</b>  Meetings of this Committee were suspended during March and April due to the Mayoral and London Assembly Members' election in early May 2024. However, an Extraordinary Meeting was held on 22 May 2024 at which it was agreed to hold a further meeting to confirm the appointment of the Mayor's candidate for the role of Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime. This meeting was held later that day and Sophie Linden attended to answer the Board's questions regarding the results of MOPAC during her 2023/2024 position in the role. Following these enquiries, the Board agreed the re-appointment of Sophie Linden for a further four years but with comments attached concerning various aspects of MOPAC's role regarding the Met and a request for a formal update after two years in the role. No date has been agreed for the next meeting.</p> <p><b>Met CC Forum</b>  The Forum was informed that Insp. Martin Capon who was responsible for arranging meetings and supply of data had left the MPS. A new representative for the MPS has only just been appointed and we believe is completely new both to Met CC itself and to the Met CC Forum. Therefore, no meetings have been arranged as yet and we are awaiting new dates. However, we have been informed that the Met will no longer be supplying detailed stats to the Forum as in the past. We are awaiting an explanation as to the reason for this. Met CC have now decided to be more Community focused as a whole rather than with SNB Chairs. Response times are still being provided by local police team.</p> <p><b>London Communities Policing Partnership (LCP2)</b>  Due to change of Officers for the Partnership and various difficulties in arranging a suitable venue plus online arrangements, no meeting of the LCP2 Board has been held so far in 2024. It is hopeful that a meeting will be held during the next three months.</p> <p><b>Safer Hillingdon Partnership Board</b>  JH attended a meeting of the above Board (18 March 2024) which has oversight of all Boards both internal (LBH) and external and is attended by Police, the Probation Service, the Fire Service and the SNB. The SHP future plans were discussed at length and included the Development Plan proposal, Community Safety Strategy proposal, the Serious Violence Sub-Group proposal, and the general definition of ASB. Updates were received relating to the Domestic Homicide Review and Funding Proposal, MPS review, Combatting Drugs and Alcohol Partnership. Discussion also took place regarding a proposal to have The Knife Angel in Hillingdon in the future. At present this is considered not to be possible mainly due to safety concerns and the</p>

	considerable amount of police time that would be involved in keeping the structure safe wherever it is situated in the Borough.
3	<p><b>MPS (Metropolitan Police Service) Quarterly Performance Report/Stop &amp; Search Update</b></p> <p><b>Update provided by CI Ben Wright:</b>  Statistics were provided as a visual aid by CI Wright, and these were explained in more detail to the Board. He was able to explain that the wards around Heathrow and the immigration centre had higher rates due to the way crimes are recorded – people entering the country illegally would be recorded for these wards.</p> <p>I (Immediate Response) Grades had shown an increase in meeting response rates, in spite of fleet problems and other staff abstractions. Theft from Motor Vehicles continue to be a problem, a high-speed chase recently had caused damage to several police vehicles, this has an impact on policing with a reduced fleet. (The person was caught and arrested).</p> <p>S Grades – are similar to previous, this is due to demand and complexities being up and fewer resources, as well as the judicial system not having capacity, therefore more people are being managed in the community, which causes an additional strain on resources, which all impact on service levels.</p> <p>Right Care, Right Person continues to work well, however it also causes an increase of work in others areas – such as High-Risk Missing Persons, when people with possible Mental Health problems are reported missing.</p> <p>Uxbridge Police station continues to be discussed. The Mayor promised publicly it would remain open, however the Estate Strategy has made this a political issue which has yet to be resolved.</p> <p>Stop and Search: Officer recently arrested in Croydon after dealing with a female who did not provide a valid bus ticket. This has had a knock-on effect of officers not wanting to use the powers for fear of being prosecuted. Targeted stop and search are still being done and the outputs are high, meaning correctly identified people are being stopped.</p> <p><b>Figures for last 4 weeks:</b>  Robbery 20% reduction.  Theft person 9.3% reduction  Residential Burglary 24% reduction  Theft of motor vehicle 27% increase  Theft from motor vehicle 3.4% increase  Vehicle Interference 36.4 reduction  Aggravated taking of motor vehicle 100% increase.  Homicide no change in last 4 weeks however one recently. One arrest made.  VAWG (violence against women and girls) 0.4% increase  Violence with injury 3.0% reduction</p>

	<p>Hate Crime (ex DA) 35.1% reduction.  LBD no change  Knife Crime 60.5% reduction  Knife Robbery enabled (ex DA) 66.7% reduction.</p> <p><b>Superintendent Thackray:</b> made comments in relation to the Knife Angel, explaining the rationale for why the Knife Angel was not supported by the Met. It was discussed that other preventative measures were more appropriate in relation to Knife crime awareness.</p>
4	<p><b>MOPAC (Mayor s Office for Policing and Crime) Funding and Finance</b></p> <p>Update provided by DC: All applications were submitted on time and emails have been sent to MOPAC chasing a result. There has been no response to date, however this matter will continue to reviewed and monitored.</p>
- 5	<p><b>Membership:</b> New member Mr Gupta attended and Mr Ahmed a prospective member who couldn't attend today's meeting due to a family emergency, however he intends to attend the next meeting.</p>
-6	<p><b>Ward Panels</b></p> <p>Discussed by all: Ward panels not always replying to JH's communications however they do appear to be holding meetings. Uxbridge High Street Team have had some good results recently and Uxbridge ward panel appear to be pleased on the whole with the results of their local SNT.</p>
-7	<p><b>Hillingdon Neighbourhood Watch/OWL - update given by Dave Ludlow</b></p> <p><b>Membership:</b>  Membership of Hillingdon NHW on OWL is <b>17,889</b> (was 17,806) to the end of May (+83 new members <i>since January</i>), with <b>1,968</b> (was 1,935) of those members also on CCTV Watch (+33 new camera locations).  Business Watch membership is <b>91</b> (was 89) to the end of May (+2 new members).</p> <p><b>OWL Funding and Contract:</b>  OWL funding was renewed by MOPAC to end of October 2024 with grateful assistance from London Borough of Hillingdon.  No other information is known regarding November 2024 onwards - nothing has been communicated to us by MOPAC or MPS Centrally.</p> <p><b>Neighbourhood Watch Network:</b>  We have recently registered Hillingdon NHW as an "Association" with the National Neighbourhood Watch Network ("NWN"). This gives us access to publicity materials, and free access to Public Liability Insurance. Organisers of events are now requesting PLI cover be taken out by each organisation running a stall, and</p>

	<p>registration with NWN makes this straightforward to demonstrate via an online certificate.</p> <p><b>Events:</b>  We continue to promote NHW at as many events as we can manage to attend: 22 Feb Police Event - ASDA - South Ruislip SNT  01 June Eastcote House Gardens - Summer Fair and Picnic  15 June Ickenham Festival</p> <p>The Eastcote House Gardens event was a huge success, with engagement between NHW and members of the public on an almost continuous basis. PCSO John Dickens attended and engaged with members of the public at our stall. Our gazebo is shared with or alongside any Police stalls wherever possible. The objective is to promote Hillingdon NHW and the Police as a partnership, and to engage with the public.</p> <p>DC – sent an email to Ross Forsythe in LBH to see if he can provide a list of planned events which could be shared with Dave Ludlow and Kevin Mepham so they are able to attend events for promotional opportunity.</p>
<b>8</b>	<p><b>Hillingdon Youth Council.</b></p> <p>No representation at today’s meeting. It is currently exam time, however there should be more representation at the next meeting.</p>
<b>9</b>	<p><b>Councillor Report</b></p> <p>Cllr Sullivan presented: Hillingdon East are very happy with their police officer; he conducts police surgeries and sends out regular informative communications which are greatly received. The officer is really proactive, and the ward panel are incredibly impressed. Hillingdon East ward panel are much happier with the new developments.</p>
<b>10</b>	<p><b>Age UK :</b> They have lost a lot of funding which means they have had to withdraw a lot of services which were available for older people. Telephone support is offered for 12 weeks in some circumstances. They are under very difficult circumstances but continue to try to offer as much support as possible.</p>
<b>11</b>	<p><b>AOB</b></p> <p>Next meeting: September 3, 2024, at the Civic Centre, Committee Room 3 from 7pm to 9pm.</p> <p>A public meeting and or community event is to be considered towards the end of the year or early next year, using some of the earmarked reserved funds.</p>