

Minutes

Corporate Services and Partnerships Policy
Overview Committee
Tuesday, 30 April 2013
Meeting held at Committee Room 5 - Civic Centre,
High Street, Uxbridge UB8 1UW



	<p>Members Present: Councillors Richard Lewis (Chairman), Lindsay Bliss, Beulah East, Neil Fyfe, Raymond Graham, Carol Melvin, Richard Mills and Michael White.</p> <p>Officers: Liz Jones (Community Safety and CCTV Manager) and Khalid Ahmed (Democratic Services Manager).</p> <p>Witnesses: PC Allyson Keith (Safer Schools - Metropolitan Police) and PC Dave Tennyson (Metropolitan Police).</p>	
46.	<p>MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 28 MARCH 2013</p> <p>Agreed as an accurate record.</p>	
47.	<p>EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC</p> <p>It was agreed that all items of business would be considered in public.</p>	
48.	<p>MAJOR REVIEW - CRIME PREVENTION RESOURCES PROVIDED FOR HILLINGDON POLICE BY THE LONDON BOROUGH OF HILLINGDON</p> <p>Role Of Safer Schools Police Officers</p> <p>PC Allyson Keith attended the meeting and provided Members with details of the role of Safer Schools Police Officers.</p> <p>There were 9 police officers in total with one each allocated to the following groups of schools:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hillingdon Tuition Centre, Chantry School, Harefield Academy, The Douay Martyrs School.• Queensmead School, Vyners School, Bishop Ramsey C of E Secondary School, Ruislip High School.• Northwood High School, Haydon School.• Swakleys School, Abbotsfield School, Hillingdon Manor School.• Rosedale College, Parkside College, Hewins College.• Harlington Community School.• Stockley Academy, Bishopshalt School.• Uxbridge High School, Meadow High School.• Barnhill Community High School, Guru Nanak Sikh	<p>Action:</p>

	<p style="text-align: center;">Secondary School.</p> <p>Generally each officer was deployed from 9.00am till 5.00pm every school day to ensure each school was problem free. Most problems occurred outside of school hours, generally after school, and dependent on the level of the problem, teams of officers could be deployed to incidents.</p> <p>During school hours, officers patrolled schools, ensuring the vicinity of schools were problem free. Outside of school term times the officers became a Borough resource and were deployed accordingly.</p> <p>Liaison took place with Transport Police and schools to ensure good communication took place to ensure joined up working.</p> <p>Members were informed that the Police had a limited role inside of schools, as general school discipline was the responsibility of teaching staff. However, the Police did intervene if offences occurred, and dependent on the offence, cautions were issued to offenders.</p> <p>The Police assisted with the Truancy patrols and were used as a deterrent to truancy.</p> <p>Members were informed that the Safer Schools Police Officers scheme began in Hillingdon in 2005 and although all 22 Secondary schools in the Borough were covered, there were high priority schools which received greater focus and attention.</p> <p>Crime Prevention Bus</p> <p>PC Dave Tennyson attended the meeting and provided details on the Crime Prevention Bus.</p> <p>Members were informed that the Crime Prevention Bus was purchased in 2003 at a purchase cost of around £34,000.</p> <p>The resource was operated by and liveried for the "Hillingdon Crime Prevention Panel" which was a sub-group of Hillingdon Community and Police Consultative Group. The Panel had now wound up as crime prevention was now effectively run by the Council and Police jointly under the Safer Hillingdon Partnership.</p> <p>The Council had taken over ownership of the vehicle and was the registered keeper. Road tax and maintenance were covered under the Council's fleet management arrangements at a cost of about £1,000 per year.</p> <p>Previous to the last 12 months, the vehicle was heavily used by</p>	<p>Action:</p>
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<p>Police Crime Prevention Officers and Safer Neighbourhood Teams for public events, dispensing crime prevention advice and re-assurance. However, over the last 12 months its use had dropped significantly due to pressures on Safer Neighbourhood Teams.</p> <p>Members noted that it would be valuable to assess whether it was likely to be useful under the new Local Policing Model to be introduced in 2013.</p> <p>Although the vehicle was 10 years old and maintenance costs were likely to rise in future years, the vehicle had a relatively low mileage and the only cost to the Council, was the revenue costs.</p> <p>Members asked for details on the past usage of the Crime Prevention Bus and agreed that the resource should be promoted to enable greater usage for the community of the Borough. Reference was made to the possibility of using the resource at Council and community events and that volunteers with the relevant driving licence could be asked to come forward to help with the use of the vehicle.</p> <p>London Borough of Hillingdon CCTV Service</p> <p>The Council’s Community Safety and CCTV Manager attended the meeting and provided the review with information on the Council’s CCTV service.</p> <p>There were over 700 CCTV cameras throughout the Borough which were managed by the Council. These were located on housing property, were used as part of public safety and bus lane enforcement, used in car parks, around parks and open spaces, around the Civic Centre and around the Manor Farm complex.</p> <p>Each set of cameras were managed by different Council service areas.</p> <p>Members were informed that with regard to the public safety cameras, recording took place 24 hours a day. However, some concern was expressed that these cameras were only monitored from 5.00pm till 2.00am which would have implications on the number of prosecutions the Council made.</p> <p>Reference was made to the 11 cameras which were covered for fly tipping hotspots in the Borough. Members were informed that in 2009 the Council managed to obtain 50 fly tipping prosecutions but since the introduction of the late afternoon / early evening only monitoring, there had been no prosecutions.</p> <p>Members were advised that a re-introduction of 24 hour</p>	<p>Action:</p> <p>PC Dave Tennyson</p>
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	<p>Members were asked to contact the Community Safety Team for any suggested areas within their wards which they thought warranted the use of these mobile cameras.</p> <p>The Community Safety and CCTV Manager would provide details of the locations of all the CCTV cameras within the Borough.</p> <p>Prior to the next meeting of the Committee, Members would be invited to take a look at the CCTV control room within the Civic Centre.</p> <p>Older Peoples Burglar Alarms</p> <p>Members were provided with short presentation on the scheme which summarised the information which Members had received at their last meeting.</p> <p>Witnesses were thanked for the information they had provided for the review.</p> <p>RESOLVED –</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That information received from the witnesses be noted and form part of the evidence for the review. 2. That officers be asked to undertake the actions outlined above and relevant witnesses be invited to the next meeting of the Committee. 	<p>Action: Liz Jones</p>
<p>49.</p>	<p>WORK PROGRAMME</p> <p>Noted.</p>	
<p>50.</p>	<p>CABINET FORWARD PLAN</p> <p>Noted.</p>	
	<p>Meeting commenced at 7.30pm and closed at 9.30pm Next meeting: 10 June 2013 at 7.30pm</p>	

These are the minutes of the above meeting. For more information on any of the resolutions please contact Khalid Ahmed on 01895 250833. These minutes are circulated to Councillors, Officers, the Press and Members of the Public.

