

## Report for the JCC on the Safer Neighbourhood Board 05/07/2017

Use or Purpose of SNB: There was a general discussion about the purpose of the board and how it operates in terms of its objectives. As a way forward, it was agreed to re-visit its terms of reference because some members believe the board hasn't been working well, too much complacency and friendly with the police. Personally, I have never been a fan of MOPAC7 targets as I believe it took focus away from other crimes.

Membership: In accordance with the governing rules, the entire board members should stand down after serving 3 years. However, MOPAC understands that constituting an entirely new membership can be challenging as we have experienced in the past, trying to set up membership.

Chairing: The new Chair is Eric Matthews (Morden Ward). Roger Steele (Neighbourhood Watch) becomes the Vice Chair.

In this regard, MOPAC has allowed the old board to continue, but nominations should come from the respective organisations. In effect organisations can change their representative. In my case, representing JCC ceased with effect from March 2017. I am now the official BAME representative. Also a young person's representative is still missing from the board.

Funding 2017/18: The amount allocated by MOPAC remains the same £22k to allocate to projects. So far 4 bids have been submitted, Neighbourhood Watch, Pollards Hill PASS football project, Young Advisors and Domestic Violence. It is sad to say no bids have been received from BAME organisations. As a way of offering help in preparing project document, the Board decided to set up a finance committee to guide organisations through their application/format before submission of their projects. To avoid confusion or ambiguity or be clear about outcomes/benefits of a project, a one page document which details what money can be spent on has been requested. Once this is received it will be passed on to BAME organisations to assist them to make a bid.

SNB would now meets on Wednesdays 4.30 to 6.30pm.

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