

**Bromley Neighbourhood Watch Association**  
**Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**Thu 24<sup>th</sup> May 2012 7.30pm, St. Blaise Trng. Room, Bromley Civic Centre**

**1. Attendance & Apologies:** (\* denotes non-voting members)

Present: Clifford Longley (CL) Chairman  
Aidan McCulloch (AM) Secretary  
James Ellis (JE) Member  
Peter Toy (PT) Member  
Alf Kennedy (AK) Treasurer & Vice Chair  
John Bruce (JB) Member & BCEF Rep.  
Graham Pyefinch (GP) Member  
Irving Radnor (IR) Member  
Sue McVicker (SM)\* LBB SNDO  
Cllr. Tim Stevens (TS)\* Chair of Safer Bromley Partnership

Apologies: Brian Rowland (BR) Member  
Colin Newman (CN)\* LBB Hd. Of Community Safety  
Ch. Insp. Carron Schusler (CS)\* Met. Police Service  
Caroline Jacobs (CJ) Coordinator Guest

**2. Previous Minutes (12 Apr 12) / Matters Arising:**

- a) Previous Minutes were agreed. All actions completed or covered elsewhere.
- b) Election of Officers: AK was unanimously elected as Treasurer by voting members and took the Chair.
- c) CL was proposed as Chair by JB Seconded by PT. AM was elected Secretary. AK and IR were elected as Deputy Chairs. BR was elected Website Manager. PT, JE and AK were elected Coordinators Liaison. JE was elected Database Manager.

**3. Chairman's Report:**

a) AGM: CL reported this a success. The change to the electronic database was judged effective and vindicated. Ch. Supt. Steph Roberts had sent an e-mail confirming her apologies and had invited CL to her office for a coffee. JB commented Ch. Insp. Schusler had stood in very well at short notice. TS thanked CL for his kind words at the AGM. GP reported the Shortlands SNP issues were now resolved.

b) Australian NSW Eyewatch: CL gave a summary of the background. It was a revitalised Neighbourhood Watch pilot project using Facebook, YouTube, Twitter etc. It has now gone Statewide across New South Wales. Each police unit has its own Facebook page. Total 60K members. Significant impact on crime and the community with a good 2-way relationship. It is very attractive to people across the demographic. There are clear opportunities for BNWA, Police and the Council.

c) There was discussion around Facebook, the visibility of police, and cost effectiveness and use of Facebook by Police and Council. Cllr. Stevens said he would give the Council's support and offered to attend the meeting between CL and Ch. Supt. Robert. Further general discussion around Eyewatch – CL hopes

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the Police are interested and may invite Ch. Insp. Maxwell from NSW Police over. AK will take to the wider NHW community.

**ACTION: CL + TS TO MEET CH. SUPT. STEPH ROBERTS**

**4. Treasurer's Report:**

AK reported the AGM cost £470. Bromley Football Club would welcome us back next year. The current account balances are £3600 at NatWest and £500 at HSBC. AK is looking to move to online banking. He will invoice the Council for the second tranche of the £3600 grant.

IR requested additional detail on accounts, requesting a quarterly financial report. This was agreed.

**ACTION: AK**

TS reminded about the need to spend money. He suggested writing to the 200 Coordinators who we did not have e-mail addresses for. JE confirmed a list of addresses could be provided. This was agreed.

**ACTION: AK / JE / JB**

Discussion around Coordinator ID badges or identification folder etc. Also discussion around purchase of more memory sticks – Committee agreed to purchase another 250.

**ACTION: PT**

IR raised issue around awareness by Coordinators of revised triage call management by Ambulance Service. IR to progress.

**ACTION: IR**

Communication: Regarding Council Officers, CL should contact Suzie Clark.

**ACTION: CL**

**5. Website:**

Final versions of 2 websites have been completed by 2 Groups at Bromley College. The winning team has been agreed by CL and BR as led by Tom. Requirement to learn basic 'Jumla' language. Will suggest further improvements. Agreed the winners along to the next Executive Committee meeting: the £250 prize would be presented by TS.

**ACTION: CL / BR / TS**

JE advised no issues regarding database. He agreed to distribute details.

**ACTION: JE**

**6. Google Street View:**

AK advised that it was suggested that the front view of properties could be removed if occupiers were vulnerable or it was judged detrimental. It was advised Google had changed the removal process. After discussion it was agreed no further action.

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**7. Police issues / Council issues:**

Crime Prevention: SM advised new packs are being formulated.

TS advised LBB are doing their own crime prevention information booklet. Awaits further detail and info. and will be useful to Coordinators. In drafting / planning stage. Agreed SM to engage on BNWA input.

**ACTION: SM**

Policing: TS advised Bromley still does not know future police numbers. Definitive decision due early June. SNTs to be grouped into 4 / 5 with 2 Teams to cover a cluster with 2 shifts, early and late. Extra police and PCSOs are planned. Possibly 1 SNP per cluster. Other reorganisation issues are being considered but nothing definitive to date. Bromley is 50% PCSOs short (vacancies) with extra police officers due. TS has concerns and is not confident. Further engagement with Met. Police is required.

**8. Any Other Business:**

Agreed Rep. For PDS is PT.

**ACTION: PT**

JE requested the next meeting Agenda should include 'sharing information'.

**ACTION: AM**

**9. Date + Time Next Meeting:** Agreed for Thu 5<sup>th</sup> July. TS to book Committee Room for 7pm for website presentation followed by meeting at approx. 7.30pm. TS to confirm with AM.

**ACTION: TS to book room / AM to issue Agenda + notify Exec. Cmttee**

*A. McCulloch*  
*BNWA Secretary*  
*28<sup>th</sup> June 2012*