

Camden Community Security Zone

Steering Group

Meeting Notes:

Date: 5th December 2019

Time: 10:00am

Location: The British Medical Association

Attendees:

Dan Sandford – The Fitzrovia Partnership
Nancy Rogers (NR) – The Fitzrovia Partnership
Nick Mountain (NM) – MPS
Ian Wade (IW) – British Medical Association
Nazra Poli (NP) – British Medical Association
Runa Uddin - Capital Arches (McDonalds)
Hakan Kagan (HK) – Regent's Place
Mario Kyprianou (MK) – Regent's Place

Apologies:

Alexandra Harrison - Capital Arches (McDonalds)
Lloyd Evans – Capital Arches (McDonalds)
Justyna Wojech – Facebook
Maria Campbell-White - Santander
David Gregory (DG) – Facebook
Duncan Parsons (DP) – (Dentsu Aegis)
Kristina Bruzgaite – Wellcome Trust
Sinead Harris – Wellcome Trust

Apologies/Introduction

- Apologies as above. Attendees introduced themselves, DS thanked all those who attended the meeting and the BMA for hosting the meeting. IW gave an update on the workings of the BMA who are the trade union and professional association of doctors and medical students across the United Kingdom and the history of the Grade 2 listed building, BMA House,

Counter Terrorism/Local Crime Update

- The current national threat level to the UK from terrorism is SUBSTANTIAL
- The threat level to Northern Ireland from Northern Ireland related terrorism is SEVERE
- Twenty-four terrorist attacks have been stopped in the past two years, sixteen of these were from international terrorist groups. Possible targets are Christmas Markets. Businesses are reminded to review their resilience plans and to test the plans on a quarterly. Businesses are requested to contact NM if they have any queries or questions.
- Training is continuing and a recent Argos Training event held by Facebook attracted forty attendees. ACT Training held by TFP in October was attended by twenty-four member businesses. SCan (See, Check and Notify) is available. It is aimed at front of house and CCTV control room staff to help businesses and organisations maximise safety and security using existing resources. NM is happy to present ACT Awareness Training to individual businesses if this is required. The MPS continue to provide Document Awareness Training for HR staff.

- IW thanked NM for his recent email following the London Bridge attack (29/11/2019), he found the advice and guidance given in the email to be informative and feels that it is good for the group to share information.
- Local Crime - Bloomsbury/Fitzrovia area remain a high theft area and is in the top ten for personal theft. Table surfing, anti-social behavior and drug dealing/taking continues to be a problem around Warren Street and Hanway Place. Unfortunately, the Bloomsbury Safer Neighbourhood Team Police Sergeant could not attend this meeting however the team now comprises one Sgt, five PC's and one PCSO. TFP Wardens carry out regular joint patrols with the SNT and twenty-four Community Protection Notices (CPN's) have been issued.

Business Update

- RU advised that problems continue with the Roma group which congregate in/around Warren Street and questioned the benefits of the CPN's issued, DS advised that whilst the CPN's helped to displace offenders the likelihood was that people would return to the area. RU also advised that that McDonalds Warren Street suffered a lot from table-surfing and that the police often asked for CCTV footage, it is thought that this is now classed as high value crime.
- DS advised that he had met with the Camden CCTV Control room staff and they would now be more active in answering the Fitzbac radio.
- IW advised that the BMA were members of Knowledge Quarter, an information sharing platform and he will provide information for contact sharing.
- MK advised that groups of teenagers (12 – 15 year olds) were loitering on the Regents Place campus however the police response to reports was good. There will be a Christmas Market in place for December and during 2020 more greening carried out.
- DS reminded businesses that there had been an increase in opportunists trying to access multi-occupancy premises.

AOB

- DS asked whether there was any way that communications regarding resilience could be improved, HK advised that he share information regarding the Intel Hub.
- Contact details for the Bloomsbury Safer Neighbourhood Policing Team
[Bloomsbury.snt@met.police.uk](mailto:bloomsbury.snt@met.police.uk). T: 020 8721 2693

Date (s) of 2020 meetings

- March, June, September, December – confirmed dates and venues will be advised asap.