



Title: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Date & time: Monday 5th December 2011, 18.00 hrs

Venue: Classroom 12, Kent Police College, Coverdale Avenue, Maidstone

Attendees: Barry Coppock, Chair (BC) Mark Francis, Vice Chair (MF)
Chaz Sidhu, Secretary (CS) Sonny Butler, Treasurer (SB)
(arrived 18.30 hrs)

1. Introductions, apologies and any declarations of interest

Apologies: None.

There were no Declarations of Interest.

2. Minutes of Executive meeting held on 24th October 2011 and Matters Arising

(These minutes were agreed as a true account by CS & MF).

Item 6, KMEPA (Kent Minority Ethnic Police Association):

BC reported that having attended KMEPA's Annual Conference he had circulated a Report to all SIAG members.

Paragraph 4.3. Stop & Search

BC asked that in future all Stop & Search presentations to meetings of IAGs should be in the form of a Power Point Presentation in order that IAG members could appreciate the differences shown on coloured maps showing where S&S took place as against areas of high crime.

3. Minutes of full SIAG meeting held on 24th October 2011 and Matters Arising

(These minutes were agreed as a true account by CS & MF).

Item 6, Public Order Training

BC reported that we had received an invitation from Inspector Gary Jones to nominate members of the SIAG to attend two different training Sessions planned for 2012. It was agreed to seek nominations at the next SIAG meeting due to be held on the 24th January 2012.

Paragraph 3.4, Attendance at the Equality & Standard Board

BC reported that the Equality & Standards' Board meeting due to be held on the 1st December 2011 had been cancelled due to the large number of apologies received. BC drew attention to one particular item due to be discussed at the January 2012 deferred meeting concerning the disbandment of the Force's Equality Action Groups which will be replaced with six Equality Champions.

Item 4, SIAG Priorities SPOC reports

BC drew attention to the invitation we had received from Assistant Chief Constable Paul Brandon to nominate a member of the SIAG to sit on the Children & Young People Programme Board. It was agreed to take no action for the time being.

4. Treasurers Report.

SB reported that expenditure since our last meeting amounted to £768.88 and our current expenditure is £2,464.08 as of October 2011. SB expressed disappointment that although we had allocated £1,000 to each IAG very few, if any had come up with any initiatives as to how this money might be spent. It was agreed that MF would make contact with other IAGs outside Kent to see if we could learn how we might make better use of our funding. BC reported that despite making enquiries, there was nothing further to report on the likelihood of an Annual IAG Conference being held in London during March 2012 promoted by the British Transport Police.

SIAG Budget: - £17,000 **Expenditure to date:-** £2,464.08 **Remaining budget:-** £14,535.92

5. Website

MF introduced this item and reported that he had three replies to the previously disseminated website questionnaire. The original questionnaire form was not commented on at all and was therefore considered suitable for its purpose at this time. One feedback comment was, that it was imperative that the website be constantly updated with IAG minutes, reports and all relevant equality reports and, that these items are easy for the public to find.

The second feedback comment was, to have features and information on the IAG members, but it was understood by this member that privacy and protection particularly for members who had been or feared being a victim of hate crime was important and, it could make local IAG members feel more vulnerable and, possibly be a target for public issues against Kent Police.

The third feedback comment was, that the website should only feature information and articles that the IAG members do and achieve as a group and not have information regarding individuals. The Chairperson should be the only named individual as the main SIAG point of contact, although it is likely that member's names would appear in reports and on minutes.

It was decided by the Executive that the SIAG Chairperson would be the only named person on the IAG website at this time. MF concluded that the IAG website is an organic process; any and all future relevant comments will be welcomed.

6. Chair's Reports

Medway IAG: BC reported that he had spoken to Tamina Mir, Medway Vice Chair in regards to the resignation of the other Vice Chair, John Wadsworth both from the IAG and the SIAG. BC expressed his concerns as to the future of Medway IAG. Tamina explained that she would not be standing as a candidate in the forth coming elections due to be held in January 2012. Also Tamina confirmed that she did not feel it necessary for any kind of meeting to be arranged to include both myself and herself with the Medway Area and District Commanders.

Maidstone IAG Geographical Boundary: BC reported that he had met with both West Kent's Area Commander Mr. Nix and the local SPOC officer Inspector Judy Gagan-Cook. It was agreed that the new Maidstone IAG would be based geographical on the current boundaries of Maidstone District Council and that West Kent would cover Sevenoaks, Tonbridge & Malling and Tunbridge Wells.

Future of IAG/KPA Letter: BC circulated a copy of the letter dated 25 November 2011 from the Chief Executive of the KPA Graham Hooper in which we were advised that as from 28th November 2011 Kent Police would assume lead responsibility for IAGs. BC had replied to the CE's letter setting out our concerns that we would no longer have any direct contact with the KPA. It was agreed that BC should write to Mr. Hooper requesting that we receive a further letter of explanation setting out some kind of on going relationship.

Meeting with Chief Superintendent Corbishley: BC reported that earlier that evening he together with MF had met with Mr. Corbishley. Mr. Corbishley explained that he had been given responsibility for IAGs and the SIAG. Mr. Corbishley explained his thinking in regards to the future which included an Action Plan, a clear Strategy plus a Mission Statement. It was agreed to invite Mr. Corbishley to the next meeting of the SIAG due to be held on the 24th January 2012 so that he could meet the membership and explain his ideas and the way ahead.

7. Governance

SB asked for the SIAG executive to consider introducing a Governance item on all future SIAG Executive Agendas. SB felt that by the introduction of such an item this would enable the SIAG executive to keep abreast of any governance issues within the BCU IAGs. It was felt that issues like vacancy chairs, vacant vices chair positions, falling attendance etc should all be conveyed from BCU IAGs to SIAG Executive.

It was agreed that all future SIAG Executive to include an agenda item title Governance.

BC to communicate to all BCU Chairs and request that information regarding be convey to SIAG Executive prior to each meeting.

8. Agenda items for SIAG meeting 24th January 2012

BC reported that earlier that afternoon he had met with Laura Wright, Prevent Referrals Coordinator and having met with her, he recommended that we adopt Prevent as one of our Priorities for next year. He also recommended that we invite Laura to up date SIAG members on the work of Prevent. It was agreed that we invite Laura to make a presentation at the SIAG Annual Forum on the 28th March. It was also agreed that we should invite the CE of the KPA to address SIAG members at both the January and

March SIAG Annual Forum to up date members on the latest position in regards to the election of a Kent Police & Crime Commissioner.

After a lengthy discussion it was agreed that we recommend that when we come to discuss 2012 Priorities we should drop Protecting Vulnerable People from Harm as our of our Priorities.

9. Review current IAG/SIAG leaflet

BC introduced this item and suggested that the leaflet needed being brought up to date to make it more appealing to the general public to volunteer to serve as a member of their IAG. MF offered to take this away and come back with suggestions as to make the leaflet more readable.

10. Meeting Dates for 2012

Strategic Meetings: 24th January 2012. 30th April 2012. 6th August 2012 & the 29th October 2012.

Meetings of the Executive Committee: 26th March 2012.
25th June 2012. 24th September 2012 & 3rd December 2012.

SIAG Annual Forum: 28th March 2012.

11. Any Other Business (AOB).

None.

Meeting closed at 19.30 p.m.