

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF EDGWARE WARD PANEL
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 28th JANUARY 2009
AT THE MASORTI SYNAGOGUE EDGWARE

Present: The Chairman MC

In Attendance: SG, DR, SR, LDJ, MN, BS, SK, JJ, MC, MW, GW, AF, AR, RW, CS, DB, LC, DC, NG, CLL H.R, DM.*

Apologies: HL, AB, AG, PM, CB, FN, AT, PD, HI, PD.

The Chairman welcomed the Ward Panel members to the meeting and also extended a welcome to those attending for the first time.

There were no amendments to the previous minutes.

Matters Arising.

- The Glengall Road hardware shop has now opened as a Kosher Fishmonger
- We were given a comprehensive account of the Edgware2gether event which took place and Nutmeg has been approached by other organisations to teach them how to organise an event. A great 'thank you' was handed to the boys for all their enthusiasm and efforts which proved that there is room for this type of well organised evening to help stamp out crime on our streets.
- Barnet Homes have agreed to provide funding and an offshoot called Youth Bank is supporting Nutmeg with £2,500. LC brought up the incident of the stabbing last week in East London at a similar type of event which demonstrated why the careful organisation and control developed for the E2G was crucial to its success.
- There has been a purge in Station Road on illegal Blue Badge holders and this proved successful with fines and arrests.
- Yorkshire Trading Standards contacted Sgt. Reid regarding a business 'scam' operating from premises in Station Road. With the help of the SNT team the premises were raided.
- London Academy is now to have its own Police Constable which will be a great help. Sgt. Reid has offered use of his offices for the PC including a locker!
- Since the start of the intense fighting in the Middle East daily patrols are being carried out around the Jewish community.

- Broadfields Junior School parking has become a major problem and as a result a member of the SNT has spent time mornings and evenings issuing tickets to illegally parked vehicles.
- There will be STT in Edgware on 30 March 2009.
- The road works in Station Road will be ongoing for another 6 months.
- A well deserved Commendation was presented to LC for his work by the Met.
- There was a shooting incident last week on the A5 and there has been an arrest.
- Sgt. Reid was a guest at No.10 and he has been nominated for a Civic Award – something we all feel is well deserved.
- PCSO Laura is with us now as is PCSO Myke and both were welcomed, Laura is a Karate Black Belt!

Problem Updates.

- ASB on the increase on Stonegrove Estate. There is a male who is allegedly having sex with under aged girls and is involved in drugs. He is aware he is being watched.
- Graffiti is on the increase and in places getting out of hand.
- Drug dealing is taking place in Chichile House and being kept under surveillance.
- Young people have been breaking locks on the doors to access the roof.

Glengall Road

- There is still no camera on top of the pole! This is now being looked into as a matter of urgency and a report should be back to those in charge within 7 days.
- ASB has reduced in this area.
- There has been an increase in burglaries.

- Pick pocketing is showing possible signs of restarting as there have been 4 incidents in one week. Plain clothes officers are patrolling and public address announcements are being made in the Broadwalk.
- A serious situation has flared up in Springwood Crescent Car Park. There is fly-tipping in the entrance and three stolen cars were found within the Car Park. The access barriers have been damaged and it is becoming a 'no-go' area for local residents, many of whom are afraid to go out alone. A lengthy discussion ensued as this is a private facility which has a Management Agency who is responsible for its maintenance. The residents all have to pay an annual fee to the Management Agency for car park management. Clearly they are not doing their job despite having been contacted by Sgt Reid. The Chairman asked for the name and address of the Agency to try to pursue them further.

PSPs

The PSPs that were agreed are;

- 1. Reduce drug dealing in the Stonegrove Estate area
- 2. Reduce incidents of Pick-pocketing in Station Road shopping area
- 3. Provide youth diversion projects (youth PSP)
- 4. Reduce criminal Damage to Springwood Crescent underground car park

With reference to No. 4 above, we will also carry out an Environmental Visual Audit and do everything we can to make the management company effect repairs as soon as poss.

It was agreed to take out the PSP on Glengall Rd as it is quietening down.

AOB

- SK spoke to the meeting about an incident of shoplifting at Tesco, Canons Corner.

There being no further business the meeting terminated at 9.20pm

Future meetings

March 11th May 13th July 8th September 9th November 11th

***The names of members of the ward panel can be made available via the SNT.**