

Appendix 3

Context and background

The Best Value Review of Consultation report proposed an organisational structure for the management of the MPA/MPS consultation strategy. This is the first opportunity for the Authority to put the structure in place.

Although the recommendations arising from the report have been in place for some time, the Authority has been slow in progressing their implementation. This has been partly due to the delay in the MPS in identifying an ACPO lead for consultation, and securing staff with the responsibility to progress this area of work.

The need to develop and publish an implementation plan for outlining progress against each of the recommendations, as part of the requirements of the Audit Commission, has necessitated the need for urgent progress on this area of work. It is also understood that the HMIC review of the MPS consultation is likely to take place in July 2002. This is now an urgent and will be a priority for

The establishment of an MPA/MPS Consultation Strategy Management Board chaired by the MPA has the ability to give the strategic direction required for consultation.

Terms of Reference

The Best Value Review proposed a term of reference for the CSMB. Following internal discussion with MPA members and officers, it is proposed that the remit of the Board be extended to in order to ensure that the Board addresses the wider overviews of the Authority's consultation responsibilities, including the planning of consultation to support the policing priorities as well as a more strategic consultation programme.

The remit of the CSMB should be to:

- Oversee the development and implementation of the implementation Action and the consultation strategy.
- Approve the consultation strategy and planning of all mayor consultation at a strategic level such as the annual policing priorities.
- Overview of the consultation undertaken at Borough level, including the financial cost of such consultation.
- Review the results of consultation undertaken to inform the policing plan before forwarding to the planning panel.
- Ensure that best value is achieved from various consultation initiatives by agreeing clear consultation performance measures and targets.

Membership

Chair

- As the prime responsibility for the consultation strategy is that of the Authority it is proposed that the Chair of the CDO Committee chairs the CSMB.
- The Deputy Chair position should be held by the MPS ACPO lead for consultation.

The Membership of the Board should be sufficiently senior so that decisions and actions proposed could be implemented by MPA Committees/MPS Boards and Committees.

The membership should not exceed 15 people.

The proposed list of invitees to sit on the CSMB could include:

MPA (3) } 2 MPA members
 } 1 consultation Policy officer

MPS (3) } 1 ACPO officer,
 } 1 BOCU/OCU,
 } 1 Consultation Lead officer

Key Stakeholders } GLA
 } Chair, London Chair's Forum (CPCG)
 } Youth organisation
 } London Civic Forum

Frequency of Meetings

It is proposed that the frequency of meetings will be monthly for the first three months of the Board's establishment, and thereafter bi-monthly. The performance and progress should be reviewed at the end the first 6 months of the Board establishment.

Administrative support

The Board will be administered by the MPA and the MPS

MEMBERSHIP AT 11 JUNE 2002

R David Muir - MPA (Chair)

Assistant Commissioner Tarique Ghaffur – MPS (Deputy Chair)

Adbal Ullah – MPA Member

Andy Bamber – Borough Commander, Hillingdon

Sandra Flower – London CPCG Chairs Forum

Peter Ward – Camden CPCG

Kate Monkhouse – London Civic Forum

Chas Bailey – MPS, Policy Review and Standards Directorate

Julia Smith – MPA, CDO Unit

Awaiting confirmation of youth representation