



LCP2 BRIEFING NOTE 2

What the CPEGs have been talking about: January - June 2009

This Briefing looks at the topics London's Community Police Engagement Groups (CPEGs) considered in their public meetings during the period January to June 2009, and compares this list with the corresponding figures from the pilot (Oct – Dec 2008). A total of 121 topics were raised at 32 Groups in the course of 67 meetings. (No data available for this analysis from Barking and Dagenham or Islington.) Details of all topics raised are given in Appendix 2 attached.

- The hottest topics for CPEGs (raised in 50% or more of all meetings recorded) were:
 - community engagement (1st place out of 121)
 - communication between police and public (equal 2nd place)
 - Safer Neighbourhoods (equal 2nd place)
 - partnerships (4th place)
 - anti social behaviour (5th place)
 - stop and search (6th place)
 - local priorities (7th place)
 - police officer response availability (equal 8th place)
 - volunteers (equal 8th place)

- The three fastest rising topics out of 37 risers in total were:
 - the Policing Pledge (up 56 places to equal 14th)
 - decline in recorded crime (up 41 places to equal 29th)
 - police staffing numbers (up 41 places to equal 29th)

- There were 27 new entrants to the list of topics, partly because the pilot (October – December 2008) did not contain all groups. The three most frequently raised new topics were:
 - public order policing (in first time at 14th place)
 - policing structures (in first time at 29th place)
 - vulnerable people (in first time at 35th place)

- 55 topics dropped down the rankings. The three biggest drops were :
 - diversity (as a separate topic) (down 87 places to equal 104th)
 - serious violence (down 65 places to equal 75th)
 - seasonal crime (down 56 places to equal 67th)

- Three topics maintained their previous ranking, the highest placed of these being
 - anti social behaviour (no change at 5th place).

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Appendix 2

London Communities' Crime Concerns (LC3)

What London CPEGs talked about during January to June 2009

| Topic addressed | Number of meetings at which raised | % all meetings in the period | Ranking of topic | |
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| Community engagement | 52 | 78 | 1 |] |
| Communication police and public | 49 | 73 | 2 |] |
| Safer Neighbourhoods | 49 | 73 | 2 |] |
| Partnerships | 42 | 63 | 4 |] |
| Anti Social Behaviour | 40 | 60 | 5 |] The Top 10 |
| Stop and search | 37 | 55 | 6 |] |
| Local priorities | 36 | 54 | 7 |] |
| Police officer response availability | 34 | 51 | 8 |] |
| Volunteers | 34 | 51 | 8 |] |
| Diversions activity | 33 | 49 | 10 |] |
| <i>Gap inserted for ease of reading</i> | | | | |
| Knife crime | 32 | 48 | 11 | |
| Car crime | 30 | 45 | 12 | |
| Youth crime | 30 | 45 | 12 | |
| Burglary | 28 | 42 | 14 | |
| Domestic Violence | 28 | 42 | 14 | |
| Policing Pledge | 28 | 42 | 14 | |
| Public order | 28 | 42 | 14 | |
| Feeling safe | 27 | 40 | 18 | |
| Street crime | 25 | 37 | 19 | |
| CCTV | 24 | 36 | 20 | |
| Drugs | 24 | 36 | 20 | |
| Police visibility | 24 | 36 | 20 | |
| Young people's views | 24 | 36 | 20 | |
| Engagement with minority communities | 23 | 34 | 24 | |
| Hate Crime | 23 | 34 | 24 | |
| Justice process | 22 | 33 | 26 | |
| Licensed premises | 21 | 31 | 27 | |
| Surveys | 21 | 31 | 27 | |
| Decline in recorded crime | 20 | 30 | 29 | |
| Intelligence gathering | 20 | 30 | 29 | |
| Police staffing numbers | 20 | 30 | 29 | |
| Policing structures | 20 | 30 | 29 | |
| Allocation of MPS resources by Borough | 19 | 28 | 33 | |
| PCSOs | 19 | 28 | 33 | |
| Police and schools | 18 | 27 | 35 | |
| Traffic, Road, road equipment safety | 18 | 27 | 35 | |
| Vulnerable people | 18 | 27 | 35 | |
| Business | 17 | 25 | 38 | |
| Dangerous dogs | 17 | 25 | 38 | |
| Transport | 17 | 25 | 38 | |
| Cycling offences | 16 | 24 | 41 | |
| Discrimination | 16 | 24 | 41 | |
| Media reporting | 15 | 22 | 43 | |
| MPA | 15 | 22 | 43 | |
| Gangs | 14 | 21 | 45 | |
| Hotspots | 14 | 21 | 45 | |
| Police and Youth | 14 | 21 | 45 | |
| Rape | 14 | 21 | 45 | |
| Role of PCCG | 14 | 21 | 45 | |
| Complaints | 13 | 19 | 50 | |
| Social housing | 13 | 19 | 50 | |
| Victims | 13 | 19 | 50 | |
| Murders | 12 | 18 | 53 | |
| Neighbourhood Watch | 12 | 18 | 53 | |

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| Community safety partnership | 11 | 16 | 55 |
| Performance v perception | 11 | 16 | 55 |
| Police contact phone nos. | 11 | 16 | 55 |
| Ward Panels | 11 | 16 | 55 |
| Youth congregating | 11 | 16 | 55 |
| Barriers to reporting | 9 | 13 | 60 |
| Chaotic Lifestyles | 9 | 13 | 60 |
| Dispersal Zone | 9 | 13 | 60 |
| Gun crime | 9 | 13 | 60 |
| Littering | 9 | 13 | 60 |
| Representativeness of groups | 9 | 13 | 60 |
| Social problems | 9 | 13 | 60 |
| Acquisitive crime | 8 | 12 | 67 |
| police accommodation | 8 | 12 | 67 |
| Police disciplinary | 8 | 12 | 67 |
| Prostitution | 8 | 12 | 67 |
| Seasonal crime | 8 | 12 | 67 |
| Assault | 7 | 10 | 72 |
| Keeping valued MPS officers | 7 | 10 | 72 |
| Lighting | 7 | 10 | 72 |
| Business crime prevention | 6 | 9 | 75 |
| Fraud | 6 | 9 | 75 |
| Restorative Justice | 6 | 9 | 75 |
| Serious violence | 6 | 9 | 75 |
| Targets | 6 | 9 | 75 |
| Unreported crime | 6 | 9 | 75 |
| Counter terrorism | 5 | 7 | 81 |
| Front counters | 5 | 7 | 81 |
| Mental health | 5 | 7 | 81 |
| Olympics | 5 | 7 | 81 |
| Persistent offenders | 5 | 7 | 81 |
| Taser pilot | 5 | 7 | 81 |
| Third party reporting | 5 | 7 | 81 |
| Police station closures | 4 | 6 | 88 |
| Terrorism | 4 | 6 | 88 |
| Arson | 3 | 4 | 90 |
| Bail accommodation | 3 | 4 | 90 |
| Carnival | 3 | 4 | 90 |
| Criticism of Council | 3 | 4 | 90 |
| Pensioners | 3 | 4 | 90 |
| Performance monitoring | 3 | 4 | 90 |
| Publicity for Group | 3 | 4 | 90 |
| Death in custody | 2 | 3 | 97 |
| DNA sampling | 2 | 3 | 97 |
| Merchandise crime | 2 | 3 | 97 |
| Rogue traders | 2 | 3 | 97 |
| Sirens volume | 2 | 3 | 97 |
| TSG | 2 | 3 | 97 |
| Witnesses | 2 | 3 | 97 |
| Armed police | 1 | 1 | 104 |
| Asylum seekers | 1 | 1 | 104 |
| Critical friend to MPS | 1 | 1 | 104 |
| Cyber crime | 1 | 1 | 104 |
| Diplomatic protection | 1 | 1 | 104 |
| Explosion | 1 | 1 | 104 |
| Fire | 1 | 1 | 104 |
| IAGs | 1 | 1 | 104 |
| Offensive weapons | 1 | 1 | 104 |
| Photographs of children stopped by officers | 1 | 1 | 104 |
| Police diversity | 1 | 1 | 104 |
| Police ID | 1 | 1 | 104 |
| Police restraint | 1 | 1 | 104 |
| Diversity | 1 | 1 | 104 |
| Street wardens | 1 | 1 | 104 |

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| Tagging | 1 | 1 | 104 |
| Truancy | 1 | 1 | 104 |
| Underage drinking | 1 | 1 | 104 |
| Using mobiles while driving | 1 | 1 | 104 |

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