Location: Beaumont House, 15 Cannon Hill, London, N14 7DJ

**Date:** 16 August 2023

**Time:** 19:00

#### In attendance

- 1 Tom Mautmer (CAPE chair) (TM)
- 2 Cllr Adrian Grumi (AG)
- 3 Cllr Paul Pratt (PP)
- 4 Daniel Anderson (DA)
- 5 Phil Mariutto (PMa)
- 6 Peter Musgrave (PMu)
- 7 Fevzi Hussain (FH)
- 8 Sgt Lamar Downer (LD)
- 9 PC Usman Siddiq (US)
- 10 PCSO Vanderli Salomao (VS)
- 11 Eddie Gray (EG)

# **Apologies for absences**

Donald Arthur

Isaac Hogarth

## NB - Action points below in bold.

## **Agenda Items**

- The meeting started with TM welcoming all members and with each person introducing themselves. Apologies for absent members were presented. TM mentioned that regarding the new CAPE members, David Sumeray is uncertain about joining CAPE. PP offered to speak with David to see if he is coming on board.. TM agreed to have a word with Alok to see if he wished to be a continuing member.
- 2 Following the Agenda TM asked about previous meeting minutes and Action items.

- 3 First action mentioned was how to deliver crime prevention. LD explained that he sent an email asking for leaflets and a billboard to be seen on A406. The response was a rejection for the moment.
- 4 DA spoke about how it is possible that crime prevention is not on the agenda as the national statistics seem to show a high number of crimes. He stated that statistics on motor vehicle thefts and burglaries showed that the number of cases resolved were very low.
- 5 LD explained how organised crime operated in regard to motor vehicle crimes. He explained that criminals, after stealing a vehicle, leave it parked somewhere quiet to make sure that the vehicle is not tracked. Police have recovered vehicles that have tracker systems but without witnesses, CCTV, or other forensic evidence, it is unlikely that there can be successful arrests. If a vehicle is not recovered within 24 hours there is a great possibility that it would be on its way by ship to another country in a container.
- 6 TM asked LD to forward him the email address of the local Borough Commander. TM will an email re motor vehicle crime and crime prevention. He mentioned that minor motor vehicle crime may not be reported as there a low level of these crimes being resolved.
- 7 DA mentioned that statistics show that victims of motor vehicle crimes or burglaries are not visited by police.
- 8 VS explained that victims of theft of motor vehicles and burglaries are visited by the Arnos Grove SNT. For burglaries reassurance visits are made victims and they conduct neighbor enquiries on the houses in which the victim was burgled. In regard to theft from motor vehicles, vulnerable victims are visited.
- 9 TM spoke about how victims feel when a vehicle is stolen and that vehicles are one of the most expensive items that an individual can own.
- 10 DA asked how many burglaries have been solved. From the numbers presented by police for the last the months. DL explained that burglaries take a longer time to be investigated, as it depends on forensic results and circumstances that may or may not lead to further investigation.
- 11 TM spoke about CAPE web site and mentioned that it has been accessed by a good number of people.
- 12 PMa feedback about website is that it is working well and people are visiting it. He explained that when the link was forwarded on WhatsApp groups the number of

people that accessed the page was higher than other days, but in general members of the community are using the link to access the page.

- 13 VS mentioned that the link is forwarded on OWL, Twitter and Nextdoor quarterly.
- 14 TM asks for Council representative feedback.
- 15 The second Action item was about Penalty Parking tickets at Cannon Hill.
- 16 PP explained that with the issue of cars parking on double yellow lines on The Mall N14 the Council can send a parking attendant to issue the tickets but it depends on finances to do it. As money is short, it's unlikely that they will send anyone. TM had looked into this and he read that, whilst PCSOs are able to issue tickets, there is a difference in powers for PCSO around London and on rest of the country. In some parts of the country PCSOs can issue MV penalty tickets whereas PCSOs in London do not have power to issue this tickets however he suggested that the police team can ask for a PCSO that is traffic trained or that works with the PTT to issue tickets. TM further suggested that it should be a requirement of the Police for a Traffic PCSO to attend location or to cover Arnos Grove and New Southgate area.
- 17 PP talked about the work that the Council hasn't done on cutting hedges along pavements. He mentioned that members of the public do not feel safe when the hedges are covering the view.
- 18 PP mentioned the issue with Travellers at Arnos Park. **PP will try to have concrete blocks put in place to prevent access to the Park,** similar to what has been done at Broomfield Park.
- 19 There was general discussion about Travellers and how they access Parks
- 20 US explain that police issued a Section 61 notice to the Travellers which gives them 24 hours to leave the location. Normally they vacate before the 24 hours period had passed.
- 21 TM said that he will ask the Borough Commander for a Traffic PCSO.
- 22 The third action item was about ASB at the parade in Cannon Hill.
- 23 TM spoke about men loitering outside cafes on Cannon Hill but he thought that things had eased over the last three months and the number outside cafes has decreased.
- 24 There was a general conversation in between CAPE members about the men outside the cafes and there was agreement that things seemed to be better now.
- 25 TM asked about the expensive cars parked on Cannon Hill.
- 26 US reported that SNT patrol Cannon Hill constantly and at different times of the day. Police had also noticed a reduction on the number of men gathering around the area. Re expensive cars, US explained that cars are being checked and irregularities have

not been found. One of the cars identified belongs to the owner of a local business. For other vehicles, Police cannot prevent them coming to the location if there are no irregularities.

- 27 CAG mentioned the improvement at the Eagles Hill café.
- 28 PMa asked why crime statistics are different on the MET Website when compared with the number of crimes figures that Police presents at CAPE. The numbers on the MET Website is much higher than the ones police present at the meeting so which one is correct?
- 29 The Police reps could not tell why the figures were so different in numbers and explained what violent and sexual crimes mean and how possibly the numbers of reported crimes were arrived at.. LD explains that SNT deal with Motor Vehicle crimes, burglaries and all situations involving ASB, they do not deal with domestic or sexual crimes which are covered by specialised teams. DL will check how data is collected at the Met Website and how they come to the number of crimes that they present.
- 30 TM asked DL for further detailed information on the SNT crime figures and current investigation whether it's ongoing or closed etc.
- 31 TM spoke about how to contact other CAPEs around the Borough, it is known that there is a meeting where all CAPE chairs get together with Borough Commander as it was mentioned by previous CAPE chair. TM doesn't know when or where this happens. **TM asked US to get in contact with the safe neighborhood board member**.
- 32 PMa explain that he tried to find out how to get in contact with other CAPEs but did not succeed.
- 33 TM asked if anyone had other points to raise
- 34 EG mentioned that he thinks that it is important that we have leaflets about crime prevention encouraging local residents to report crime and to promote the CAPE website.
- 35 There was a discussion between all attendees about the leaflets, how to print them, and how to deliver them.
- 36 TM suggested that it can be delivered at the post office.
- 37 FH mentioned that he can ask at the Post Office to how they could be delivered.
- 38 TM spoke about the importance of the Council, the Police and CAPE members working together.
- 39 PMa can produce the leaflets but will need a template.
- 40 PMa brought up pictures of gas canisters that were located in Broomfield Park.

- 41 There was a general discussion between all members about gas canisters. If it is legal, what can be done about it?
- 42 LD explained that possession of nitrox oxide is not illegal unless you are driving a vehicle. Nitros Oxide is commonly used by dentists and medical professionals to sedate patients undergoing minor medical procedures. It cannot be tested if someone has it in there system. At the moment there is not much that police can do about this.
- 43 TM spoke about what offences could be prosecuted for people using the gas perhaps the littering of the cannisters is an offence.
- 44 TM spoke about the public open CAPE meeting and when it will be.US mentioned that it normally occurs at the same time as the ward forum. PP felt that combining the CAPE and Ward meetings would suggest a political connection.
- 45 TM thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

#### Next meeting

7:00pm Wednesday 29 November 2023 to be held at Beaumont House, 15 Cannon Hill, London, N14 7DJ