

South Buckinghamshire LPA Independent Advisory Group meeting minutes
DATE: 5th July 2023
TIME: 18:30 pm
LOCATION: MS Teams

Attendee Initials	Position and Area
RM	Chair
EB	LPA Commander
AS	TVP CADO
DA	Member
AL	Member
SJ	Member
BA	Member
AMV	Member
SY	Member
SA	Member
Apologies/Did not attend	
KS	Member
AA	Deputy LPA Commander
HN	Member
MJ	Member
SG	Member
SP	Member
DF	Member
ZU	Member
JG	Member

- 1. Welcome, Introductions and apologies (10 mins) IAG Chair**
- 2. Approval of previous Minutes and Actions (5 mins) Chair**

Discussion is had around previous actions.

Prospective ambassadors should have had forms if requested – this should have happened offline. – O/S ACTION for AS.

It was raised that IAG members should share information to local community, share the role of an IAG member.

Minutes approved.

3. Updates from the SIAG (10 Mins)

SJ

Awful lot of newsletters/hubs/whatsapp groups in South Bucks – SJ wrote article on what an IAG is. If more people did this it will provide opportunity to engage.

Engagement is difficult – different models being trialled to boost this.

Digital TVP IAG newsletter with contribution from all areas of IAG to seek best practice.

EB – Can you please send over the words compiled for the article **ACTION – SJ**

Email website link to Rachel to show how it shows the minutes and information about the IAG. – ACTION for AS.

Minutes to also include the link

Huge gap, residents want information and it is all there on the website. Big task is to inform people where to go on the website to get to the IAG info.

Social media post about the IAG – AS ACTION

4. Stop Search (10 mins)

Supt EB

Brief overview from EB of the observations had with officers in relation to stop and search. In the media they say we should conduct more stop searches, however this is a very debated power.

Officers feel they can't win, work has been done with officers around why. Training to be done with officers to improve confidence of power.

Educate community that there must be grounds around stop and search and it isn't random. Stop search scrutiny panel has been set up.

There will be stand-alone meeting around this – all IAG members welcome.

Data on system shows whole of Buckinghamshire rather than just Wycombe and other individual areas. Overall figures show a disproportionate amount of stop searches.

Data needs to be a bit more sophisticated, so we have stopped sharing data. But still focusing on this area and wanting to share information.

PowerPoint training item shared with the attendees.

Changes made to stop search procedure to help with community trust. Body worn video always on.

Too much negativity in the media around the police. Media has an important role to play in the way communities see police forces.

ourwatch.org.uk/charter

5. Race Action Plan (25 mins)

AS (CADO)

Discussion around the race action plan moving to phase 3, this will continue up until September.

TVP have adopted the national plan. Focus on black and Asian communities.

Need help to get people on board. QR code for people to give feedback? Also have feedback forms to give out. Also surveys online. We need the community on board.

TVP have the ISOB (Independent Scrutiny Oversight Board) – 4 members. They said TVP aren't doing enough to get black and ethnic minority on board. We need people to talk to us and give feedback so we can engage and build relationships.

5 areas being measured across TVP. High Wycombe is one of them and it really struggles. What do we need to do differently to get people to engage? Document is too dense. It should be boiled down to key points for discussion.

National plan is 57 pages, TVP is 16 pages. People won't read it. We now have a plan on a page, with the pillars of what we are doing.

Talk to Shafat Ali to get him or the Iman's to raise the issues in the mosque? May get more feedback this way. Also reach out to church leaders in the black community. This community will listen to their Pastor/Minister.

Marketing campaign to explain what the Race Action Plan is. Posters? Make communities aware. It needs to be simple language.

Discussion around the name 'Race Action Plan' – is this suitable or putting people off?

We need to give ownership back to the community. Get a large database of communities and know the best days/times to engage with these communities.

Could this document be printed in more languages?

6. Force Review

Supt EB

Explanation from EB on what the Force review is.

Decision made that TVP will move from

11 areas to 5 and these 5 areas will be called Local Command Units. This will be staggered change of around 18 months.

First change will begin in Feb 24 and South Bucks will merge with Aylesbury. We are the only area with the same council across the whole area.

The command structure will change, not the base stations.

How will the role of the IAG work? Sub groups for local groups? Discussions will be the same.

Members can feedback on the change and next year can decide how the IAG will work.

EB gives an overview of recent misconduct issues.

Discussion around what TVP have done as a result of one of these incidents.

Encouraging Officers to speak up regarding any suspicion on other colleagues.

Discussion had around begging. Beggars are diversifying from the traditional begger.

Donation points set up around the town centre for people to donate if they wish rather than give money directly to beggers.

Discussion around why police ask for people's names and date of birth when calling 999. EB explains the reason for this.

Also brief discussion about laughing gas and what the police are doing about this. Young people think this is a 'healthy drug', too easily accessible.

We need to communicate the dangers of this to young people. Public health issue.

7. AOB

IAG Chair

Credit given to PCSO's/Neighbourhood officer.

Confirmation that TVP do surgeries at local centres.

Suggested that communities need a hub that they can go to. Somewhere they can drop in any time/accessible.

8. Agenda items requested for next meeting

All

9. Meeting dates for 2023, in person or on line?

All

Next Meeting Dates

06/12/23