

DATE Tuesday 7th September, 2021

TIME: 2:30 pm

LOCATION: MS Teams Only (Reading)

Attendees	Init	Position and Area
Sulayman Munir	SM	Chair
T/Supt Dave Turton	DT	Commander for Reading
Victor Koroma	VK	ACRE
Lorraine Briffitt	LB	Age UK Berkshire
Amran Hussain	AH	
Andrew Wiggins	AW	Independent Member
Lorna McArdle	LMcA	Support U
Maria Saltrese	MS	ASO, Reading Police Station
Apologies		
Errol Masters		
Nick Harborne		
Insp James Tribe		Team 4 Inspector at Reading
Mustafa Choudhury		
Josh Wilson		Chaplain for Windsor and Maidenhead
Francesca Yates		
Sally Leonard		Reading Street Pastors
C/Insp Andy Penrith		Deputy Commander for Reading
PC James Morgan		
Trip Pannu		CADO for TVP

1. Welcome and Introductions:
IAG Chair
Sulayman welcomed everyone to the meeting.
Self-introductions were done
2. Previous notes/actions from 23rd March, 2021:
All
Action: Victor, Trip and Sulayman to meet and put a plan in place to progress the Committee.
13 January 2021: action to be done ASAP advised Sulayman.

23 March 2021: Victor and Trip have spoken. Suggestions have been made and the Hate Crime Scrutiny Meeting should be slightly more than quarterly – every two months advised

Sulayman. Hate Crime Forum – every six months. Sulayman will catch up with Trip this week; Andy Penrith agreed with the proposed plan.

Status: ongoing.

Action: DI Rich Jarvis to provide overview of knife crime at next IAG. Maria to action.

Update: to be provided at next meeting.

Status: ongoing.

Action: Andy Penrith to review any information that can be provided to parents regarding identifying issues early on with their children/young adults.

Status: complete.

3. Chairs Report:

IAG Chair

4. LPA Commanders Updates:

LPA Commander

T/Supt. Dave Turton gave a brief overview of his police background as he has taken over the command of Reading LPA from Supt. Nick John currently on a temporary basis and will go through an internal process with a view to continuing in the role for the next 2 – 3 years. He reviewed his concept of the role of the IAG – including seeking counsel for critical incidents, particularly with regard to community voice and needs. Fresh perspectives and ideas – bringing to this independent advisory group is key. He further advised if anyone has any questions to let him know.

5. Stop and Search Data and Discussion:

All

6. Hate Crime Data and Discussion

All

7. Other Crime Updates

LPA Commander

8. Members Feedback / Issues to raise:

All

- Proactive approach for the IAG was requested by Sulayman.
- Updates on any good work for learning/best practice was requested by Dave Turton
- Rolling agenda would be helpful and add 'Good News Story' as part of it suggested Lorraine Briffitt
- New member who will work with Trip, from ACRE, to help with Hate Crime Forum and such work
- **Action: Hate crime statistics for Reading requested by Lorna McArdle. T/Supt. Turton to ensure this is provided.**
- Support and advice for LGBT community advised Lorna McArdle
- Support and advice we can supply with older members of the public and would like referrals advised Kim Rolfe
- Quarterly meetings continue? Asked Sulayman. Dave Turton agreed to keep and have additional by exception

- Hate Crime Scrutiny and Hate Crime Forum, possibly have ACRE host, – would like to progress advised Sulayman. Good community engagement in the past.
- Give members of the community a chance to talk to and question in the police – in a safe positive forum advised Victor Koroma with regard to the Hate Crime Forum. Also would help with confidence in the police.
- Section 60 – reviewed by Dave Turton. Balance between public safety, it is a preventative and disruption tactic and only authorised by a senior officer. Last August seven stabbings in one month and it was used as an example.
- Higher Crime levels – rise in post lockdown? Asked Sulayman
 - Dave Turton advised we have seen a return to different crime times going back to where they were 18 months ago. Linked to night time economy as an example with additional crime/type. Reading Festival – crime has been dropping off. Volume crime – has been going up, but not above and beyond what we expected and predicted advised Dave Turton.
 - Strategic IAG – Sulayman is now part of this group which is force wide. He told members during a meeting of the importance for Section 60 use to be discussed at the relevant IAG when it is used not afterward. It helps build community confidence in the police
 - Dave Turton agreed that if we have another critical incident that would need the use of Section 60 he would ensure it is discussed with the members.
- Changes to management team? Asked Sulayman. Yes, Dave Turton said if he does become the full time Area Commander with regard to the DCI role. Ch/Insp. Penrith will continue to be the Deputy LPA Commander.
- **Action: Inspectors, circulate list with contact details to IAG members. Hate Crime, Stop Search – leads. T/Supt. Turton to action.**
- Cover broad demographics and this includes for recruitment suggested Lorraine Briffitt
- Training – impact on new officers and ensure they are aware of organisations such as Support U, Age UK would be beneficial advised Lorraine Briffitt. Signposting is very helpful confirmed Sulayman
- Stats, issues, highlights of police activity and the chance to comment on the relevant subjects would be good advised Lorna McArdle
- **Action: Maria to circulate contact list for Reading IAG.**
- **Action: Members to send suggestions for draft ‘standard’ agenda so comments can be given and addressed for meetings going forward. Sulayman and Dave Turton to meet and prepare final.**
- Face to face meeting periodically – consider for future as well advised Sulayman.
- Kim Rolfe advised we will be in the Broad Street Mall on 1 October for ‘Old People’s Day’ – there will be many organisations attending. This is being done with Reading Borough Council. Kim will provide information to Maria for her to disseminate to group.
- **Action: Terms of Reference for IAG – re-circulate it. T/Supt. Turton to ensure this goes out.**
- Moving into Broad Street Mall advised Lorna McArdle – events, meeting, café and good visibility

9. AOB

IAG Chair

10. Agenda items requested for next meeting:

All

11. Next Meeting Dates: 16th November, 2021 at 2pm

