

## MEETING NOTES

<b>Meeting Title:</b>	Olympics Subgroup	
<b>Date:</b>	29 September 2010	
<b>Time:</b>	09.45-11.45	
<b>Location:</b>	London Councils, 59½ Southwark Street	
<b>Chaired by:</b>	Phil Ishola (LB Harrow)	
<b>Attendees</b>		
Graeme Cornell (Barking & Dagenham)	Selinda Chouhan (Barking & Dagenham)	Bernadette Boland (Ealing)
Ken Palmer (Greenwich)	Leethen Bartholomew (Hackney)	Ane Auret (Harrow)
Phil Ishola (Harrow)		Debbie Busler (Hounslow)
Melissa Friedberg (Islington)	Gareth Flemyng (Newham)	Kellie Ann Fitzgerald (Newham)
Kayte Fairfax (Southwark)	Monawara Bakht (Tower Hamlets)	Suzanne Elwick (Waltham Forest)
Stuart Barker (CFAB)	Kip Gibbens (CEOP)	Mandy John-Baptiste (CTAIL)
Anne Tiivas (Child Protection in Sport Unit, NSPCC)	Debbie Walmsely (Comic Relief)	Stephie Joslin (City Ops 2012)
Gordon Valentine (Met Police, Paladin)	Kevin Hyland (Met Police, SCD9)	Samantha Mee (NHS London)
Joanna Allan (London Councils European Service)	Mike Scott (London Board)	
<b>Apologies</b>		
Lorraine Giles (Barking & Dagenham)	Veronica Mythen (Greenwich)	Betty Lynch (Harrow)
Paul Hewitt (Hillingdon)	Paula Neil (Hillingdon)	Mark Edmonds (Tower Hamlets)
Lauren Watts (Slough)	Claire Cooke (Children's Society)	Karen Sizeland (ECPAT UK)
Anna Edman Bastos (EHRC)	Duncan Rosie (LDA)	Rebecca Einhorn (NSPCC)
Simon Chorley (Stop the Traffik)	Barbara Donovan (UKBA)	Seb Florent (Met Police, SCD5)

**MEETING NOTES****Discussion points****1. Welcome and Introductions**

- 1.1 The Chair welcomed attendees and thanked them for the considerable progress made since the Safe Games working group at the end of July.

**2. Notes of meeting of 8<sup>th</sup> July 2010**

- 2.1 The notes were agreed.

**3. City Operations update (Stephie Joslin, Senior Programme Manager, London 2012 City Operations)**

- 3.1 SJ provided an outline of GLA City Operations leading up to the 2012 Games, with an anticipated surge in visitor numbers to over 1 million per day for the duration of the Olympics.
- 3.2 The City Ops workstreams are:
- 3.2.1 'London Experience' - comprising: Welcome to London (7,000 volunteers at 35 locations to provide a welcome to visitors and provide them with assistance and information as required), look and feel, Live Sites (e.g. Hyde Park, Victoria Park), London Media Centre, City Celebrations (torchbearers, parties, parades, cultural events, concerts), hospitality brokerage (meeting the hospitality needs of key groups), protocol for unaccredited dignitaries (provide assistance and logistical support), accessibility for visitors, sponsorship, London events coordination calendar
- 3.2.2 'London Public Services' - working with the boroughs to ensure that the resources are in place to enable the effective delivery of key local authority public services during the Games, including delivering an integrated framework for Games-Time City Ops management (command, coordination and comms) and testing and exercising to mitigate operational risk.
- 3.3 Live Sites would host commercial concerts (audiences of 40-50k) and close 2 days after the Olympics ended. Potters field (next to City Hall) had a capacity of 4.5k and Trafalgar Square would only be used for the Paralympics. The Live Sites event promoter contract was in the process of being tendered for. Child safeguarding measures has been included in the tender after contact with the London Board and future tenders would refer to safe recruitment and having clear child protection policies and risk assessment processes in place.
- 3.4 The Live Sites would be fenced and have a strict entry control and search regime in place. 70,000 LOCOG volunteers would steward the sites and London Ambassadors (GLA) would provide info. The London Board was looking to engage with the training for these volunteers to include basic child protection awareness and referral. The group stated that supervisors working with 16-18 year old volunteers should be enhanced CRB checked and area managers responsible for each of the 35 locations should receive detailed child protection training. Young volunteers should be briefed about ensuring their own safety.
- 3.5 Duncan Rosie was the Operations Manager for the London Ambassadors programme and was already tied into the workstream.

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**Action:** MS to follow up with City Ops, LDA and LOCOG to ensure that all volunteers received appropriate child protection training and that supervisors working with young volunteers are subject to enhanced CRB checking.

**4. Child Protection in Sport Unit briefing (Anne Tiivas, Director, Child Protection in Sport Unit, NSPCC)**

- 4.1 AT outlined the purpose and aims of the unit: to work with sports organisations to provide support and advice on developing and delivering child protection policies and procedures. Examples of the Unit's work included developing a welfare plan for young athletes at the UK School Games (USG) 2009 (Cardiff) and had just supported the 2010 USG in Newcastle in a similar way. The Unit was in the process of preparing a welfare report and recommendations for the Youth Sport Trust (YST) which runs the USG.
- 4.2 The Unit had a number of active London partnerships and hosted a safeguarding elite athlete conference and active sport talent camps. The Unit had produced safeguarding guidance for the International Olympic committee (IOC) and had advised the Medical Commission on safeguarding children and young people from sexual harassment.

**Action:** AT to send MS copy of 2010 USG welfare report and recommendations once available

**Action:** At to forward MS copy of LOCOG child protection policy and procedures

**5. Updates**

- 5.1 Paladin: GV updated on the City Airport operation, safer transport team and activity at St. Pancras
- 5.2 Barking & Dagenham: had been announced as 6<sup>th</sup> Olympics 2012 host borough
- 5.3 JA (GLE) updated on the research on links between trafficking of human beings and major sporting events. An initial draft was due at the end of November and would be discussed with colleagues at London Councils, as well as the London Board. There had been previous evidence that football World Cups highlighted a more obvious increase in trafficking of women for prostitution given the demographic of those attending the event, but this was possibly shifting given the increase in family attendance at all major sporting events.
- 5.4 Red Cross: VS confirmed that all 33,000 Red Cross volunteers would be receiving awareness raising information relating to recognising and reporting trafficking. The London Board offered to help support this.
- 5.5 Newham requested early clarification of the situation regarding the additional funding being made available to a small number of boroughs. This was particularly important given the estimated additional £850k required for the rapid response child protection model. 73% of flow around the Olympic site would go through Newham, with a further 17% through Hackney and Tower Hamlets.

**Action:** MS to raise funding concerns with London Board.

- 5.6 CFAB was providing social work training to SWs international and was working with countries of origin in tandem with UKBA, etc.

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- 5.7 SCD9 Met Police: KH highlighted the dedicated anti-trafficking unit for the 5 host boroughs. A fourth operation had been completed the previous day and arrest made. KH noted an increase in trafficking for domestic servitude and forced labour and flagged up the Project Acumen ACPO report by DCI Chris Ayre.

**Action:** MS to put report on London Board website

- 5.8 Southwark: KF identified need for information about how children and young people could safeguard themselves and asked how LSCBs were planning for the increased demand for training associated with 2012. Those managing volunteering recruitment of volunteers had a responsibility to ensure that they were well trained.
- 5.9 Newham: KAF stated that those responsible for recruiting volunteers had a Section 11 duty to ensure that they were trained in relation to safeguarding. GF raised the likelihood of there being an increase in the number of destitute families during the Olympics given the number of migrant workers, etc.
- 5.10 Greenwich: KP said that volunteer training was on the agenda within the LSCB
- 5.11 Waltham Forest: SE highlighted links with the Games-time delivery Board and a 15<sup>th</sup> October event. Safeguarding adults also needed to be picked up as a key issue and that rapid response teams would need to take account of this and ensure that SCD5 and SCD9 were linked into this process.
- 5.12 Comic Relief: DW questioned how we respond to the needs of eastern European children and reference a joint Home Office/ Comic relief initiative.
- 5.13 Tower Hamlets (MB): the potential risks around transport links and safeguarding were being examined.
- 5.14 Human Trafficking 2012 network: MS and PI had been attending meeting and keeping the issue of safeguarding trafficked children high on the agenda. A number of joint initiatives were being progressed. The Subgroup would be kept informed.

### 6. Outcomes of Safe Games working group meeting – 27<sup>th</sup> July 2010

- 6.1 The group went through the notes of the meeting. Three main workstreams had emerged (Strategic/ comms, training and rapid response) and these were being progressed via smaller taskgroups. A project document was being drafted to reflect developments to date and set out the governance of the project and direction of travel leading up the 2012 Games and beyond (legacy).

### 7. Next steps

- 7.1 The workstreams would continue to meet as groups in tandem with MS and report back to the next meeting of the Subgroup.

### 8. AOB

### 9. Dates of future meetings (all at London Councils):

- 18 November 2010                      09.45-11.45
- 25 January 2011                         10.00-12.00
- 22 March 2011                            10.00-12.00