LEWISHAM COMMUNITY POLICE CONSULTATIVE GROUP



ELECTIONS



26 MARCH 2013

At the AGM on March 26, 2013, the membership of the Lewisham Community Police Consultative Group will be asked to elect Officers (Chair, Vice Chair and Treasurer) and Community Members of the Strategy Group.

Nominations:

Position	Nominee	Nominating Member (s)
Chair	Jackie Addison - Lewisham Councillor	James Dobson Crada Onuegbu Obajimi Adefiranye
	Duwayne Brooks- Lewisham Councillor	Royston John
	Tayo Disu - The Tabernacle	Duwayne Brooks Royston John Nicholas Springman Phil Turner
	David Michael - Marsha Phoenix Trust	Beverley Glean Gordon Glean Marc Elliot Barbara Raymond
Vice-Chair	Royston John - NCBI London	Tayo Disu
Treasurer	Duwayne Brooks - Lewisham Councillor	Royston John
	Joanne Hall - Lewisham Central Safer Neighbourhood Panel	Phil Turner
Strategy Group Member	Duwayne Brooks - Lewisham Councillor	Royston John
	Florence Emakpose - World Of Hope	Jackie Addison
	Martyn Grover - Lewisham Borough Business Against Crime (LBBAC)	Jackie Addison
	Royston John - NCBI London	Tayo Disu

Positions available

The Vice Chair has a term of office of one year and is unopposed at this election

The individual positions of **Chair** and **Treasurer** also have a one year term each.

There are <u>two Strategy Group</u> positions (for representatives of Community Organisations) - each has a 3 year term.

The Election Process

Who can vote

Please note that only the named representatives of legitimate LCPCG member organisations will be able to vote. If your organisation's named representative is not able to attend, they may nominate a named deputy – please ensure the named representative sends details to the LCPCG Coordinator in writing by noon on Monday 25 March.

The current LCPCG membership list – which includes names of the main representatives is available on our website, www.lewisham.gov.uk/LCPCG or via the coordinator.

LCPCG members will be required to sign the register of members before receiving their ballot papers for elections. Each voter will have three ballot papers.

Voting Method

Vice Chair-only one position

There is only **one candidate for Vice Chair**, so the group will be asked to approve this nomination with a show of hands. Eligible Voters can raise their coloured ballot papers, or not, to indicate assent, or otherwise.

Chair and Treasurer- only one position available for each role

Each voter will be asked to mark the name of their **one preferred candidate** on the appropriate ballot paper.

Strategy Group Members – two positions available

Each voter will be asked to **choose their two preferred candidates** by simply marking those two names on the appropriate ballot paper.

Calculating the outcome

Independent officers from Lewisham Council, who are not members of the LCPCG or employed by the LCPCG, will collect and count the votes, whilst the meeting continues. At an appropriate point during the meeting after the results have been calculated, the current Chair will read out the results.

Chair and Treasurer positions

The votes will be counted, and the candidate with the highest number of votes will be elected.

Strategy Group Members

The votes will be counted, and the two candidates with the largest total number or votes will be elected.

Further information about Nominees

All the nominees for the LCPCG elections 2012 were asked to give a short description. These are provided below in alphabetical order by surname.

Jackie Addison - Lewisham Councillor

I am seeking re-election as LCPCG Chair because next year will be a "make it or break it" year for London Community Police Consultative Groups (CPCGs) like ourselves. Boris Johnson made an election pledge to abolish CPCGs and replace them with Safer Neighbourhood Boards, which have no funding and no remit to engage with the public.

Community Engagement between the public and the Police was the reason CPEGS were set up 27 years ago, by Act of Parliament, following the Brixton Riots. The Mayor of London's Policing Plan does not mention Community Engagement though it wants a 20% increase in public confidence in the police. We are the only people who have the skills and necessary experience to deliver this but have to be there to do it.

If re-elected I will seek ways to integrate the LCPCG into the newly proposed structure so that we can continue to be an effective organisation that monitors policing in Lewisham, represents all our communities' views on Community Safety issues and works to make Lewisham an even safer place to live.

Positions held

2009-13	Chair LCPCG	
2004-9	Vice Chair LCPCG	
2002-6	Vice Chair Stop & Search Group	
2004	Treasurer LCPCG	
2000-5	Chair of Steering Group on Youth/Policing Issues	
2008-9	Chair of Constitution Working Party	
2000-13	Member of Strategy Group	
2002-13	Member of Stop and Search Group	
2002-6	Member of Brockley Sector Working Party	
2008-13	Secretary of Crofton Park SNT Ward Panel	

Duwayne Brooks - Lewisham Councillor

Councillor Brooks has submitted three different statements – one for each of the three positions he has been nominated for. Each statement is listed below with the relevant position.

CHAIR

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Tayo Disu – The Tabernacle Church

Temitayo's role as a key worker for young people requires engagement, empathy and commitment to offer holistic support.

Temitayo has always been an advocate for a wholesome and functional family life-style. She believes young adults should be raised in a disciplined yet caring and motivating environment. The creation and fostering of good relationships among teenagers, families, schools, police and the community at large is crucial.

Temitayo sits on the LCPCG as a representative of the Tabernacle Church and is currently the

Vice-Chair of the LCPCG and the Ladywell Safer Neighbourhood Panel. She has a lot of experience in a wide variety of community engagement programs and has attended numerous relevant training courses. She is also a member of the coordinating group of the Ladywell Ward Assembly and is the Treasurer of Ladywell Tower Development Trust.

Temitayo believes, in this time of uncertainties, it is imperative that we institute an effective strategy to sustain and improve community engagement with our statutory partners. Her desire and intent is to role model a genuine transparent, fair and collaborative leadership with members, increase representation from more groups in the community and motivate better involvement from existing members.

It is important that the LCPCG take a pivotal role at this time of change and deliver effective scrutiny. We must be prepared to listen to others and implement policies that promote excellent outcomes for our community.

I seek your vote to become the chair of the LCPCG at the forthcoming AGM.

Florence Emakpose - World Of Hope

My name is Florence Emakpose, a founder and Project Coordinator of World of Hope. This is an organisation that provide various support services to young people aged 5-21 and their families. Our aim is to reduce youth crime by raising Youth Ambassadors. Please check our website for further information www.worldofhope.org.uk

I have good experience in responding to Community crisis and representing the LCPCG. On 2 occasions I was appointed to attend briefing meetings at the New Scotland Yard as a means of consultation on achieving a peaceful Notting Hill Carnival. I also represented LCPCG at New Scotland Yard to be a voice for Lewisham community about the riot that occurred in August 2011. This also involved myself and my team in World of Hope to engaged with young people and businesses in Lewisham to ensure calmness and avoid further damage to the community and businesses. During the shooting incident last year, I was on the street with my team to get the community's view and a report was submitted to the Borough Commander. I am an active and committed member of LCPCG; I have excellent record of attending LCPCG and community meetings where I have assisted the LCPCG Coordinator to promote the excellent work of LCPCG. Due to the recognition of my excellent record, I was invited to write foreword in LCPCG 2011/12 annual report.

I believe strongly that with my excellent performance and contributions on the Strategy Group for the past one year has made a huge different. I am looking for another opportunity to continue to make the different as Lewisham need people like me who have organisation and leadership skills with passion and commitment in order to promote safety in Lewisham Borough. My excellent work has also been recognised by the Commissioner of Police and the former Prime Minister at No. 10 Downing Street in 2009. My experience of working with young people and the community will enable me to bring the issues facing them and to suggest ideas in supporting them and their families to overcome it. I also believe in increase in employment and youth crime reduction.

Many thanks

Martyn Grover - Lewisham Borough Business Against Crime (LBBAC)

I am a Director of Lewisham Borough Business Against Crime - also known as the Safer Lewisham Business Partnership. A not for profit, social enterprise partnership of Lewisham borough businesses from all trading sectors – retail, night time economy, leisure and places of public resort, public service such as health, transport etc. – all working together to keep the borough one of the safest places in London for businesses, staff and customers

A successful business community is essential to the success of an area by providing goods and services to residents and visitors and local employment opportunities. An area marked out as 'unsafe' will degenerate - not regenerate. It is in everyone's interest to keep trade in an area vibrant and successful and this partnerships contribution is to tackle those groups and individuals that cause most harm with their persistent or prolific offending. We work cooperatively – together and with others on both specific/individual problems and the wider community issues.

I have worked & played and been committed to this borough since the early 1980's when as a serving police Sergeant I was first transferred here. I share the strange passion for this piece of London that most of you do. I retired from the Metropolitan police as an Inspector at Lewisham in 2006 after 33 years service — mostly in Lewisham but I also served in Lambeth, Croydon and complaints investigation. I have a thorough knowledge of the geography and people here and wholeheartedly share the ambition of keeping Lewisham safe for all our residents and visitors and creating positive opportunities for all.

I strongly believe that Lewisham police should serve our communities with our consent and locally must listen to and work for - Lewisham people. I have been a member of the CPCG for a number of years representing the business community and beyond this I have been a member of the Strategy Group for the past three years. These have been and remain very challenging times and the future is uncertain as austerity measures continue to change the landscape of policing and crime reduction in Lewisham and Greater London. I have the experience and thorough understanding of current and future threats to community engagement with our police and Mayoral Office for Policing and Crime.

I have a long history of contribution and participation in consultation, strategy groups and representative bodies. I was a police federation regional representative as a sergeant and Inspector. In my own time I have been a cubs/scout leader for more than 20 years and run a very successful Scout group in Bromley.

I am asking for continued membership of the Strategy Group as I believe that not only do I possess the skills and knowledge necessary to make a worthy contribution but also the business community truly needs a representative voice in the policing of the borough.

Joanne Hall - Lewisham Central Safer Neighbourhood Panel

I have been involved with Safer Neighbourhood (SN) policing since its introduction in 2006 and I currently Chair the Lewisham Central SN Ward Panel; my role is to represent local residents and businesses to ensure their views about local policing matters are recognised and actioned by their SN teams.

Until recently I also Chaired the Lewisham Borough Forum for Ward Panels and was a co-opted member of the Strategy Group. I also attend, on behalf of the LCPCG, the Central Communications Forum. I am committed to the work of the LCPCG and regularly attend all the

meetings.

I have volunteered to continue as Treasurer as I would like to continue my involvement with this Group, to represent Ward Panel interests and to work with the LCPCG co-ordinator and Chair, to ensure the limited funds are spent wisely and appropriately. In these times of limited and reduced budgets it is important to have continuity in the Treasurer role.

The LCPCG has an important role to play in working together with Lewisham police and its Partners to ensure the best interests of the community are represented and I feel can contribute to this, as Treasurer, by ensuring that local residents views and concerns are always given due consideration. I'm a lifelong resident of Lewisham and part owner of a local business, with no political allegiances so I feel I am very well qualified to be an independent member of the LCPCG.

Royston John - NCBI London

Royston John is the Director of NCBI London. He is also a freelance Business Consultant, Mentor/Coach, Training Consultant and skilled Facilitator.

Royston has managed NCBI London for over ten years and in that time has worked with over 10,000 adults and children on a wide range of issues – including, Identity & Difference, well-being, manhood, womanhood, relationship building, emotional intelligence, conflict resolution, self-esteem and chess for young people as a self-empowerment tool. The workshops have been delivered to businesses, charities, schools, colleges, universities and communities.

Royston worked for 4 years as the external equalities trainer for Lewisham Hospital and in the last 3 years delivered over 50 NCBI events in Lewisham, which has benefitted over 3,000 in the community.

Royston's experience over the last 30 years' include working across the public sector - local government, probation, health, police, crown prosecution service and community, voluntary and private sectors. Royston has undertaken reviews with Department for Education on exclusions and parenting; reviews within local government and health on best practice, budgetary rationalisations, auditing and irregularities investigations. Royston has worked with leaders and captains of organisations on leadership and management issues including performance management, organisational development and cultural change initiatives. Royston has appeared on television and radio and has worked in USA, Belgium and Grenada.

Royston's skills include supporting people to feel good about their experiences and multiple identities. He encourages people to challenge their own prejudices and to notice how these impacts on others around them, particularly the people we love.

David Michael - Marsha Phoenix Trust

I am the immediate past Chair of Lewisham CPCG, 2004-2009 and former Vice Chair.

I have been a local resident for 39 years and represent the Marsha Phoenix Memorial Trust that provides shelter, pastoral care and educational support for homeless young women in Lewisham.

As Chair of Lewisham CPCG, I was a member of the Safer Lewisham Partnership board. I represented the Group on the London-Wide CPCG Chair's Forum and as a board member of

London Community Policing Partnerships.

I was a member of the London CPS Community Involvement Panel.

I am a retired Detective Chief Inspector who completed 30 years Police duty. I served in Lewisham as a Police Constable and a Detective Sergeant.

I am a law graduate. I also hold Honorary Master of Laws and Honorary Doctor of Laws degrees.

As members will be fully aware, during my time as Chair, Vice Chair and a member of the Strategy Group, I was always visible, accessible and available to communicate with and respond to members of the Group, partners and local residents.

With the many changes taking place in policing and the arrangements being put in place by the Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime, I believe it is very important that the CPCG is led by a strong tried and tested community advocate and remains community focused.

I am therefore asking the membership of Lewisham CPCG to return me as your Chair at the 2013 AGM.