

LONDON BOROUGH OF HARROW**CABINET****6 APRIL 2006****Reference from the Meeting of the Strengthening Communities Scrutiny Sub-Committee held on 23 March 2006: Reducing Fear of Crime Scrutiny Review**

1. The Sub-Committee considered a report of the Director of People, Performance and Policy, which detailed the recommendations of the scrutiny review group on reducing the fear of crime in Harrow.
2. An officer advised that consultation over the report had been undertaken with the police, chief officers and Portfolio Holders. Many constructive comments had been received and, as a result, the Chair was proposing that the Sub-Committee agree a number of amendments to the report.
3. Members considered the report to be positive and accepted the amendments detailed in the covering report.
4. Members requested that the new Recommendation 13 be amended to convey the Sub-Committee's support for improved staffing at railway stations. This was felt to be important as crime was still taking place at stations despite the presence of CCTV at many of them, and it was considered to be important to have staff available to monitor CCTV footage as well as a physical presence at stations.
5. In response to a Member's query regarding the process once the Sub-Committee had made its recommendation to Cabinet, the officer advised that it was her understanding that an action plan would come back to the Sub-Committee for consideration at a future meeting.
6. **RESOLVED: That Cabinet be requested to consider the Strengthening Communities Scrutiny Sub-Committee's Reducing Fear of Crime Review.**

[**REASON:** To provide Cabinet with the opportunity to influence the development of future approaches for tackling fear of crime.]

FOR CONSIDERATION

Background Papers: Minutes of the Strengthening Communities Scrutiny Sub-Committee on 23 March 2006 and the Report of the Director of People, Performance and Policy: Reducing Fear of Crime Scrutiny Review

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