

Safer Communities Board Outside Bodies Report

Table 1 – Current Member appointments

Body	Purpose/remit	Frequency of meetings	Member reps/Political Group	Adviser/Officer reps	LGA Intervention or Relationship Management
HO Corporate Alliance against Domestic Violence (Home Office lead)	The Corporate Alliance Against Domestic Violence aims to raise awareness of and take action to reduce the human and economic impact of domestic violence in the work place. The Alliance is chaired by Baroness Scotland QC, Minister for Criminal Justice Reform. Members are asked to sign up and commit to participating in 3 Alliance Meetings per year and to the Alliance's mission and vision.	3 meetings per year	Clr Anne Lucas (Coventry CC) (Labour)	Kate Mulley (LGA)	Domestic Violence Project
HO National Offender Management Service Programme Board	Chaired by Baroness Scotland. This group comments on and discusses the development of NOMS.	3-4 times per year	Board Chair (sub Vice-Chair)	Jeni Bremner (LGA)	Working together to build safer communities
HO Prolific and Priority Offenders Programme Board	The Board is chaired by Leigh Lewis and supported by the Crime Reduction Delivery Board. Membership includes ACPO, APA, LGA, HO and other key government departments. The terms of reference of the Board are to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide strategic leadership for the Prolific and Priority Offenders Programme, championing the Programme with all key stakeholders and Ministers • Be accountable to the Crime Reduction Delivery Board for the Implementation of the Programme • Drive forward and monitor the progress of the 	Monthly	Board Chair (sub Vice-Chair)	Jeni Bremner (LGA)	Working together to build safer communities

	<p>development and implementation of the Programme against identified milestones</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure that risks are clearly identified and actively managed • Take proactive steps to identify and take corrective action when blockages arise • Consider the migration of the existing Persistent Offender Scheme programmes and make recommendations to the NCJB <p>The Board feeds upwards through the Crime Reduction Delivery Board and the National Criminal Justice Board, to the Ministerial Committee for Crime Reduction and the Prime Minister's Crime Reduction Group</p>				
HSC/Local Government Liaison Panel	<p>The Panel, made up of elected members from across England, Scotland and Wales., promotes a strategic dialogue on local, central and devolved government issues that impact on health and safety regulatory functions. It will also review the effectiveness and performance of the partnership between the enforcing authorities – Health and Safety Executive (HSE) and local authorities (LAs).</p>	Twice a year	<p>Previously: Cllr Caroline Seymour <i>(N.Yorks CC)</i> <i>(Liberal Democrat)</i></p> <p><i>Three further VACANCIES</i></p>	Mark du Val (LACORS)	Relationship Management (LACORS)

Table 2 – LGA Adviser appointments

Body	Purpose/remit	Frequency of meetings	Adviser/Officer reps	LGA Intervention or Relationship Management
DCLG Building Control Performance Standards Advisory Group	Established in July 1998 by DETR (now DCLG) to provide common standards across both public and private providers of the building regulation service. A revised guidance document will be launched in early 2006, after which the Group will move to a monitoring role, for both public and private sectors.	3–4 times per year from now on	Tony Huff (Manchester CC) Alan Mason (Wickham BC)	Relationship Management – Building Control
LGA / LABC Building Regulation Charges Working Group	Set up in September 2005 to determine levels of building control charges that will accurately reflect the cost of various types of applications (currently, the Charges Regulations require the same charges to be levied for various applications whether or not the costs to the LA differ), with a view to making recommendations to DCLG in support of a joint LGA/LABC policy paper, submitted in September 2005, setting out the case for an overall revision of the Charges Regulations.	to be determined	Tony Hough (Manchester CC), Steve Evans (Milton Keynes Council) and Alison Pipes (Wycombe DC).	Relationship Management – Building regulations
National House–Building Council (NHBC) Governance Council	Provides the opportunity for contact with private sector inspectors with regard to building control regulation. It is the national forum for private building regulators to co-ordinate their activities.	Annually	VACANT	Relationship Management – Building regulations
HO Crime Reduction Delivery Board	The proposed terms of reference for the Board, revised in the light of comments at the Board’s first meeting, are that it will: receive and agree an ‘all source assessment’ of current crime trends/issues in relation to HO crime reduction PSAs and commission action where	Monthly	Geoff Alltimes, (LB Hammersmith and Fulham), Jeni Bremner (LGA)	Relationship Management – Community Safety

	<p>necessary;</p> <p>issue a regular report on that assessment to the Home Secretary;</p> <p>monitor performance in respect of crime targets and levels of public confidence in crime reduction;</p> <p>take papers at each meeting on one or at most two key issues;</p> <p>agree the respective contribution of the police, local government, other Government Departments and other agencies in reducing crime and increasing public confidence; and</p> <p>ensure that crime reduction implications are taken into account in work across the criminal justice system and in other Government Departments.</p> <p>This body also prepares and discusses the agenda for the Prime Ministers (stock take) Crime Reduction Group.</p> <p>When the officer representative has been unable to attend Martin Davis, Head of Community Safety at London Borough of Hackney has taken his place.</p>			
DCA Burials & Cemeteries Advisory Group	Stakeholder group to advise Home Office officials on burial and cemeteries issues.	Every six months	Dr Ian Hussein (Corporation of London)	Relationship Management - Death Portfolio
DCA Coroners Service Consultative Committee	Stakeholder group to advise Home Office officials on coroner service issues.	Quarterly	Steve Charteris (Herts CC)	Relationship Management - Death Portfolio
HSC Advisory Committee on Dangerous Substances (ACDS)	To put forward a local government perspective regarding Dangerous Substances. Nominated LGA Members and officers are invited to the Committee only after submitting a CV to the HSE.	Twice a year	Ian Shuttleworth, Derbyshire CC	Relationship Management - Emergency Planning

HO CBRN Resilience Programme – Partners Delivery Forum	Strategic group, set up to provide a forum where all organisations that need to prepare for or respond to any CBRN incident can share the latest information and their concerns, and can hear about and comment on central government work to enhance CBRN resilience. Most items are classified. LAs’ responsibilities are ‘consequence’ rather than ‘incident’ management. Representatives must have appropriate security clearance.	Usually quarterly	Kelvin Laybourne (Mid Suffolk DC and Babergh DC)	Relationship Management – Emergency Planning / Chemical Biological Radiological Nuclear Substances or Materials
HO CBRN Communications Sub-Group	Looks at cross-government communications issues relating to CBRN.			
HO CBRN Tacticians Programme				
HO CBRN Voluntary Sector Sub-Group	Set up to identify and maximise the voluntary sector contribution to UK civil protection arrangements. Membership of the sub group includes strategic representatives from key organisations involved in emergency planning and response in UK, including national/UK voluntary agencies.	Usually quarterly, prior to Partners Delivery Forum	Kelvin Laybourne (Mid Suffolk DC and Babergh DC)	Relationship Management – Emergency Planning / Chemical Biological Radiological Nuclear Substances or Materials
DEFRA Radioactive Incident Monitoring Co-ordinating Committee (RIMCC)	Set up following Chernobyl in 1988 as the technical implementation committee for the Government’s national response plan for nuclear accidents overseas. Now also incorporates UK nuclear accidents. Membership consists of representatives from all government departments with a role in response to nuclear accidents with one seat for local government. (LGA/COSLA/NILGA).	Twice a year	LGA Adviser appointment to this outside body to be determined	Relationship Management – Emergency Planning / Dangerous Substances
DEFRA Flood Emergency Capabilities Programme Board	Flooding has only recently become a separate capabilities workstream. This board will look at emergency preparedness, resilience, response and	Every 2 or 3 months at present.	Don Norris (Flintshire CC)	Relationship Management – Emergency Planning / Flooding

	recovery issues in relation to flooding incidents and will particularly take on board the areas identified as needing improvement following the Environment Agency's major flooding exercise in 2004, <i>Exercise Triton</i> , as well as lessons learned from the Boscastle and Carlisle floods in summer 2004 and early 2005 respectively.			
Cabinet Office Quarterly Civil contingencies meeting	Comprises representatives of the Cabinet Office's Civil Contingencies Secretariat (CCS), LGA, SOLACE and the Emergency Planning Society. Provides a forum for exchange of information / raising issues of concern on current civil contingencies issues	Quarterly	Tom Griffin (Consultant) Ian Shuttleworth (Derbyshire CC)	Relationship Management - Emergency Planning / General
Emergency Planning College Customer Board	The Board provides the opportunity for the College and its key customer representatives to consider customer requirements, expectations and college performance. The board is chaired by the Head of the Cabinet Office's Civil Contingencies Secretariat and members also include the college's Chief Executive and Director of Business Services, ACPO, Ambulance Service, British Red Cross, CFOA, government departments and SOLACE.	As required	Peter Sloman (High Peak DC)	Relationship Management - Emergency Planning / General
ACPO Family Assistance Group	Stakeholder Humanitarian Assistance working group	As required	Emma Cook (Essex CC)	Relationship Management - Emergency Planning / Humanitarian Assistance
CCS Working Group on training standards for providers of Humanitarian Assistance	Stakeholder Humanitarian Assistance working group	As required	June Thompson (Essex CC)	Relationship Management - Emergency Planning / Humanitarian Assistance
DCMS Aftercare Project Board	Stakeholder Humanitarian Assistance working group	As required	June Thompson (Essex CC)	Relationship Management - Emergency Planning

				/ Humanitarian Assistance
DEFRA Emergency Preparedness for Exotic Animal Disease Advisory Group	Aim: to ensure that DEFRA and partners are prepared to respond to outbreaks of animal disease. Set up initially in response to 2001 foot and mouth disease outbreak, its remit was expanded in 2003 to encompass other potential outbreaks of exotic diseases in animals (including avian flu).	Twice a year	Bethan Morgan (Slough BC)	Relationship Management - Emergency Planning / Infectious Diseases Animal and Plant
Cabinet Office Flu Pandemic Planning Feedback Forum	Will look at the practical issues surrounding preparedness planning for a potential influenza pandemic.	to be determined, but likely to be at least 6 meeting per year	Ian Shuttle worth (Derbyshire CC)	Relationship Management - Emergency Planning / infectious Diseases Human
DCLG Site Clearance Board	Aim: to build an effective capability to vaccinate and treat people as part of an emergency response to an infectious disease such as smallpox or a 'flu epidemic Set up to develop a generic template / guidance for clearance of contaminated sites following a CBRN incident, for adoption and adaptation at regional and local level, with the emphasis on the scope for the disposal of contaminated rubble. Comprises relevant government departments, LGA, ACPO, HSE, Environment Agency and fire service. Publication of template / guidance awaited.	At least 2-3 times per year	Norman Davey (Manchester CC)	Relationship Management - Emergency Planning / infectious Diseases Human
DH UK National Influenza Pandemic Committee	High-level committee providing specialist advice to the UK Health departments on the health response during an influenza pandemic and co-ordinating strategic medical planning.	Currently every 3 months	Tom Griffin (Consultant)	Relationship Management - Emergency Planning / Infectious Diseases Human
HO Mass Fatalities Working Group	Aim: to ensure that the UK has the capacity to respond to disasters where the number of deaths is	Originally met monthly;	Ian Shuttle worth (Derbyshire CC)	Relationship Management - Emergency Planning

	more than can be handled by existing public mortuaries. Initial guidance was published in May 2004. Since then, work has focused on building on this guidance to clarify roles and responsibilities of responders – including local authorities. Issues covered have included: victim identification; procedures to adopt in a CBRN attack; location, management and equipping of temporary mortuaries; and a framework for national response. LGA representation has particularly focused on funding and resource issues. Revised guidance is expected to be published early in 2006.	recent consultation has been by correspondence	Beth Morgan (Slough BC)	/ Mass Fatalities
Cabinet Office / Red Cross UK Voluntary Sector Civil Protection Forum	Set up to maximise the voluntary sector contribution to UK civil protection arrangements. Brings together representatives from central, regional and local government, devolved administrations and statutory and voluntary organisations. Reviews progress and identifies next steps.	Every 2 yrs	June Thompson (Essex CC)	Relationship Management – Emergency Planning / Voluntary Sector
Cabinet Office / Red Cross UK Voluntary Sector Working Group	Set up to support the work of the Forum and to drive forward developments	Quarterly	June Thompson (Essex CC)	Relationship Management – Emergency Planning / Voluntary Sector
NSCWIP Media Issues Sub-Group (supported and serviced by the Cabinet Office)	Includes representatives from broadcasters, the Press Association, Environment Agency and local authorities. Looks at the effective use of the media through the whole range of radio, television and on line services, including Ceefax, Teletext and websites, with a view to enabling the broadcast of timely, unambiguous and coordinated information to the population in the event of an emergency.	Quarterly	Richard Davies (Leeds CC)	Relationship Management – Emergency Planning / Warning and Informing

Table 3 – LGA and Central Bodies Officer Appointments

Body	Purpose/remit	Frequency of meetings	Adviser / Officer Rep	LGA Intervention or Relationship Management
CPS Domestic Violence Community Engagement External Consultation Group	To provide domestic violence advice and expertise from a voluntary agency and community perspective on a range of issues and to provide a consultative forum for the CPS on its DV work plans and associated documents (Policies, guidance etc).	4 times per year	Kate Mulley (LGA)	Domestic Violence Project
DCA Domestic Violence Steering Group	The advisory group provides a national forum for the discussion, development and delivery of the DCA's policies on domestic violence. It acts as a knowledge network for this policy area, and advises on future programme activity and delivery of targets and strategic objectives including child contact in this area.	1/2 times a year	Kate Mulley (LGA)	Domestic Violence Project
DCMS Alcohol and Entertainments Licensing Advisory Group	Stakeholder group to advise DCMS officials on implications of Licensing Act 2003.	Monthly	Trish O'Flynn (LGA)	Licensing
HO CDA Review Accountability Project Group	Stakeholder consultation group, looking at Community Engagement, extension of the role of local authority overview and scrutiny committees.	Monthly	Emma Varley (LGA), Henry Peterson (LGA)	Safer Communities
HO CDA Review Delivering Community Safety Project Group	Stakeholder consultation group looking at separating the strategic and operation functions of CDRPs, roles and responsibilities of partners and staff and annual rolling three year plans.	Monthly	Henry Peterson (LGA)	Safer Communities
HO CDA Review Steering Group	Stakeholder consultation group which acts as a steering group to three project groups.	Monthly	Emma Varley (LGA), Henry Peterson	Safer Communities
HO CDA Review Information Project Group	Stakeholder consultation group looking at the new CDRP strategic assessments, application of the police National Intelligence Model for partnership working by CDRPs. Producing and implementing information sharing protocols. Duty to share depersonalised	Monthly	Russell Reefer (LGA)	Safer Communities

	information.			
HO Children and Domestic Violence Interagency Group	LGA hosts this interagency group which looks to reduce the impact of violence on Children and Young people. This Spring, LGA launched commissioning guidance for “Vision for Service for Children and young people, affected by Domestic Violence”. The group is now looking to take policies in this guidance forward and address the gaps	Bi monthly	Kate Mulley (LGA) / Margaret McGlade (ADSS)	Domestic Violence Project
HO ACPO Safer Parking Scheme Steering Group	To act as the steering group for the Safer Parking Scheme established by ACPO. It is aimed at reducing crime and the fear of crime in parking facilities. The Scheme is intended to encourage those responsible for car parks to improve security as a means of reducing criminal activity, the fear of crime and the perception of crime in all car parks and vehicle retention areas.	Bi-monthly	Barry Nelms (LB Camden)	Relationship Management
HO Neighbourhood Policing Partnership Forum	The main purpose of this group will be to complement the work that NPPT already have underway in relation to NP and Partnership by acting in a co-ordination role and also creating a policy environment through which work undertaken can be discussed and new products (e.g. guides as above) created or NPPT products quality assured. The sharpest focus, initially, will be on the creation of a tool that is aimed at encouraging Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnerships (CDRPs) to work in partnership with the police to deliver neighbourhood policing. The Home Office and the NPPT are working towards the commitment that neighbourhood policing will have been introduced to every area by April 2007. When fully rolled out, every community in England and Wales will benefit from dedicated, accessible and visible neighbourhood policing teams.	Bi monthly	Russell Reefer (LGA)	Safer Communities
HO Neighbourhood Policing Programme Board	Objective – to oversee the development of the Neighbourhood Policing Programme.	Two monthly	Jeni Bremner (LGA)	Safer Communities
HO Respect Accreditation Meeting	To develop and implement a system of accreditation for domestic violence perpetrator programmes and associated support services	As required	Kate Mulley (LGA)	Domestic Violence Project
HO Single Non	Stakeholder group tasked to look at the remit and scope of the 101	As required	Adviser, tbc	Relationship

Emergency Futures group	service beyond 2008			management
HO Local Delivery Alliance Board	A Local Delivery Alliance Board has been established in order to oversee the development and delivery of the Civic Society Alliance. The Civic Society Alliance aims to improve partnership working between NOMS, the criminal justice system, local authorities, their partners and communities.	Bi monthly	Jeni Bremner, (LGA) Emma Varley, (LGA), Henry Peterson (LGA)	Safer communities
HO Single Non Emergency Number Programme Board	Objective – to reduce the number of non-emergency calls to 999, looking at model of New York 311 service. Group oversees the development of single non-emergency number as announced in the police reform white paper	Bi monthly	Natasha Bishopp (Westminster CC) invited	Relationship Management
HO Specialist Domestic Violence Courts (SDVC) Programme	To oversee the development of the SDVC programme. The work of this group is being expanded to produce a model for a coordinated Community Response to Domestic Violence.	Ad hoc meetings and Visits	Kate Mulley (LGA) / Anthony Wills (Consultant)	Domestic Violence Project
HO Vehicle Crime Reduction Action Team	To address the following issues in relation to vehicle crime: improving security on the different vehicle types (e.g. cars, HGVs including trailers, motorbikes and plant) including maximising the benefits of marked vehicle parts, making car parks safer; tightening the vehicle registration system and ensuring successful implementation of motor salvage and number plate regulations	Quarterly	Barry Nelms (LB Camden)	Relationship Management
HO Violent Crime Reduction Bill / Alcohol Disorder Zone Charging	To develop and oversee Home Guidance Local Authority guidance in designating and charging for an Alcohol Disorder Zone (ADZ)	As required	Russell Reefer (LGA), Shelia Sackey (LACORS)	Safer Communities
LABRO (Local Authority Better Regulation Office)	Set up by the Cabinet Office Better Regulation Executive to oversee implementation of the Hampton report.	Monthly	Trish O'Flynn (LGA, Derek Allen (LACORS)	Transforming Regulatory Services