



BIRMINGHAM EAST LOCAL POLICING UNIT

STOP AND SEARCH SCRUTINY PANEL MEETING

MINUTES OF MEETING

HELD AT 1900 HOURS AT ACOCKS GREEN POLICE STATION

TUESDAY 3RD FEBRUARY 2015

PRESENT

Superintendent Alison Telford

PC Paul Lakey

PC Eddie Hemming

Tina Bickley (vice chair)

Shahid Mahmood

John Price

Andrew Willis

APOLOGIES

Jake Bickley

MINUTES

1. Meeting opened by Supt. Telford.
2. Introductions and tea/coffee – with nibbles and Shahid birthday cake!

3. Minutes from previous meeting accepted.

4. PC Lakey provided a quick overview of the new e search system for the benefit of John and Andrew to bring them up to speed on the reasons for the change and how the new system works.

5. PC Lakey followed this input with the current up to date figures for Stop and Search on Birmingham East – this was met with feedback and questions from members of panel.

6. From the last meeting Sparkbrook area was looked at in more depth as members were curious as to why there appeared to be a larger proportion of Stop and Searches in this area compared to others on Birmingham East – PC Lakey provided panel with relevant data and from this it could be seen that 9 people had been stopped – 5 for PACE Stops and 4 for Drug Stops – it was also evident that Officers stopping in this area had come from neighbouring LPU and Traffic Department, which is why the figures were skewed somewhat for that area in that particular month.

7. Individual Stop and Search forms were then randomly chosen and scrutinised by panel members, and were found to be of a much higher quality than the old system and in the main found the grounds and reasons for the Stops and Searches to be founded and reasonable, even the one by PC Lakey himself and the case of the chocolate thief! There was one Stop of 5 youths that the panel requested further feedback on as this was seen to have insufficient details of the reasons for the Stop and Search, PC Lakey to contact the officer concerned and get more details for feedback at the next panel meeting.

8. Meeting Closed and Members thanked for their attendance.

Next meeting -

Tuesday 31st March 2015. 1900 hours, Acocks Green Police Station.