

## Lambeth LGBT Forum Minutes 27.06.03.

**Present:** Lee, Annette, Andy & Steve. Also D.I. Bruce Lawrence (Lambeth CSU) and D.C.I. Glyn Jones (Public Protection Unit).

**Apologies:** Vita, Sarah, Jake, Fraser, Nick, Dan, Martin McClockary, Martin Ryan and Christopher

**Agenda:** Bruce talked to us about his responsibility to investigate all hate crime in Lambeth. He informed us that the amount of reporting of such crimes is now on the increase and feels that Lambeth may be leading the Met in this field. He would like to see an advisory panel set up by Lambeth LGBT Forum. Bruce agreed to obtain for us some terms of references for such a panel from other boroughs. (We don't need to re-invent wheels.) Vita may be able to obtain Corydon's terms of reference for us. Bruce would like to be copied in on our minutes.

### **Matters arising from the previous minutes:**

Dan had telephoned with his apologies but had said to Steve that he had done everything he had agreed at the previous meeting.

**Webb Site:** Andy talked to the ideas emailed to members by Christopher. The meeting felt that what had been done for us was good, but who will provide/support/maintain the site for us? Andy agreed he and Christopher would do more work on this area. It was felt that the Met's site was not a the right site for Lambeth LGBT Forum although there need to be links to it.

There had been some communication sent to our email box from Derek Lee (**LGBT Advisory Group for the Met**). Andy agreed to follow up.

Steve distributed a leaflet about the **Consortium of lesbian, gay & Bisexual voluntary & community organisations**. It was agreed that Steve should register Lambeth LGBT Forum with them. Andy will provide Steve with an electronic version of our constitution that needs to be included with the application form.

There was a discussion around the recent problems around **Vauxhall Cross**. There have been a spate of homophobic crimes and Andy thought that inadequate lighting in the area was a factor to be taken into consideration. However, it was agreed that it was not just about lighting. Bruce agreed to follow this up.

The meeting offered **Annette** their best wishes. She has recently received promotion to Superintendent and will be moving to Lewisham within the next few weeks.

There was a discussion about the sex litter in **Kennington Park Rose Garden**; it being a problem for council workers having to clear it up on a regular basis. "How can we encourage people to tidy up after their activity? Rubber Stuffers could be asked to put a note in their packages, even the possibility of a plastic bag so that they can put their sex rubbish in until they find a rubbish bin.

DCI Glyn Jones had come specifically to talk about the case raised by Christopher at the previous meeting re: the **known paedophile**. Glyn explained the case and the risk assessments and balances they had to adhere not only for the protection of the public but also for the protection of the person and their families. Glyn answered questions put to him by the meeting and the meeting was satisfied that the Met had acted honourable in this particular case.

Glyn said that he would like to see a **Hate Crime Advisory Group** in Lambeth of which Lambeth LGBT Community should be a part.

**Date of next meeting:**

It had been agreed at the May meeting that we should have an evening brainstorming meeting. Agreed that this should be at **7pm on Wednesday 30 July** - venue to be communicated to members when identified. (If anyone has any suggestions will you communicate them to Steve.)

Steve  
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