

**NOTICE OF MOTION****NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING, COUNCIL SERVICES AND LOCAL ACTION TEAMS (LATs)**

“This Council

Notes

1. That Sussex Police has adopted ‘Neighbourhood Policing’ as one of its three key priorities – and that the force’s Local Policing Plan commits officers to working with communities across the city to help achieve its neighbourhood policing goals of (a) being visible and accountable, and (b) providing a quality response.
2. That a number of Local Action Teams (LATs) have either come into existence – or begun operating in place of a previously existing community group – to facilitate this.
3. The fact that many LATs have decided to broaden their remit into areas outside the scope of policing and this council's community safety team to include other matters relating to community safety: inter alia, licensing, planning, refuse collection and traffic problems and road safety.
4. The engagement of officers of this authority with LAT meetings to answer residents questions about service delivery.

Welcomes

1. The fact that Sussex Police have pledged to engage fully with LATs,
2. The formation of LATs – and the work that communities and members of this council have done and continue to do to allow them to function effectively,
3. The community-led, genuinely democratic, non party-political nature of LATs,
4. To provide proactive publicity for LATs on the council website and publications to encourage a greater involvement from the community.

Resolves

1. To ask the Cabinet to acknowledge the work of LATs in reflecting the views of communities and neighbourhoods represented by them;

2. To ask the Cabinet to recognise the independence of LATS from the City Council;
3. To ask that that the Cabinet Member responsible for community safety considers working with the Crime & Disorder Reduction Partnership to identify ways of supporting LATS;
4. To ask the Acting Chief Executive to write to the Chief Constable of Sussex, Martin Richards QPM, congratulating him on his commitment to neighbourhood policing and his officers' and PCSOs' pledges to attend future LAT meetings.

Proposed by Cllr Ben Duncan

Seconded by Cllr Amy Kennedy