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**MEETING NOTES FOR
THE POLICE LIAISON GROUP FOR HAMPTON & HAMPTON NORTH
7pm Wednesday, 3 June 2026
The White House, The Avenue, Hampton**

1. Welcome and apologies for absence.

The Chairman, John Murray, welcomed all to the meeting at 7.00pm. The police officers present were: Sgt Rogers, PC Ana Santos, PCSO Goldie and PCSO Regan . PC's Singh & Bastos sent apologies. Also from Averil Coelho. Twenty members of the public and Councillor leader Gareth Roberts, with Councillors Suzette Nicholson, Carey Bishop, Elizabeth Gant, Jeremy Davis and Nick Kennedy attended the meeting.

Minutes were taken by Janet Bibby and John Murray.

2. Acceptance of minutes of the 25 March 2026 meeting.

These were accepted.

3. Matters arising.

Speeding update from Sgt Rogers: The short-term solution is having marked police cars on the streets, and the ward can arrange this sometimes. This results in slowing down traffic where the drivers can see the police vehicles.

4. Chair's update - John Murray.

Welcome everyone, especially if this is your first time. These meetings are for your benefit - they have been around for 20 years but knowledge of their existence is still not wide enough. I've also just arranged for the information about future meetings to be posted in the Council bulletin, and there are other ways we as the SNB are looking at. Our attendance at local fairs and fetes is another where we can provide information and describe what happens in a ward. I was at Richmond fair and also the Volunteers fair a short while back.

So please tell your neighbours, subscribe to Metengage and if you are part of a guild or club please pass round the flyer I produce and display it where you meet.

So no update on the scam statistics yet - I do hope they will be coming back to remind everyone of what happens local. I estimate about £8m lost in Richmond each year – and that is just reported fraud. Don't forget free scam talks available!

5. Update from Sgt Rogers

- Sgt Rogers reported that there has been a significant rise in theft and schoolchildren are the targets. The police response team has arrested some of the perpetrators operating in the Hampton High School area.
- There has also been a rise in ASB in the following areas: Mason Close/Hammond Close, Dean Road and Hemming Close.
- The police disbanded their Schools team and the police officers involved were moved to the Safer Neighbourhood teams.

6. General report and crime statistics.

PCSO Goldie gave the crime statistics for March till May for Hampton North: There were no burglaries and eight vehicle crimes. There were 74 reported shoplifting offences. The increase, the police believe, is due to increased surveillance and reporting from shop owners.

PCSO Regan gave the crime statistics for March – May for Hampton: There were no burglaries, seven drug offenses (mostly along the Hampton Court Road), six vehicle crimes and 12 reported shoplifting offenses.

7. Local issues and concerns.

- A resident reported car theft on Longford Close. Not only can criminals break into keyless ignition cars but also, they can jam CCTV cameras and thus prevent evidence being obtained. John recommended buying a 'Crook Lock' or similar high-visibility steering wheel lock to deter car theft.
- Two residents spoke about a lack of police response when calling 101 or 999. One case involved a woman playing very loud music in her car late at night on Percy Road, and later on Tudor Avenue. The resident said the police 'weren't interested' in coming around. The other involved a resident of Hammond Close carrying a dangerous weapon in public. The police are aware of the individual involved and have issued him with a caution. They cannot forceably enter his home unless he has committed an indictable offense. A more detailed discussion with the police and the residents in this area was carried on after the main meeting finished.

8. Setting priorities.

These are the same as those decided last time – ASB, burglary, and motor vehicle crime. NB This is not in order of priority - it's a range of areas.

9. PLG Questions to be reported to the Safer Neighbourhood Board – (the meeting will be asked to consider an answer to the following questions):

1. Did the SNT Team address the concerns raised by the PLG, and act on them? **Yes.**
2. Do residents, visitors, business people feel safe on the streets of the ward? **Generally, yes.**
3. If a crime or other public safety concern took place, did the local police respond quickly and correctly? **Most agree that the police can be trusted to act correctly.**

10. Any other business. No other matters raised.

John thanked everyone for attending. There were neighbourhood watch stickers and 'Doorstep Crime' prevention leaflets available for the attendees to take. The meeting closed at 7.50 pm.

11. Date of next meeting. Wednesday September 16th, 7pm in the White House (venue to be confirmed).

John K Murray Chair 30th June 2026.