

# **Minutes of the Moorings Neighborhood Forum Held on Monday, 24 June 2025 at 6pm at the Moorings Sociable Club**

## **People present**

Deborah Frimpong (co-Chair), Rachel Sewell, Rosa Guzzetta, Ozge Ali, Sue Pollock, Cllr Olu Babatola, Yvonne Sharp, PCSO Stoian, PC Mapli, Dan Wells (Peabody), Beatrice Anaman, Chiamaka Muoneke, Julius Arko, Fola Senni, John Hogan, Dave Rugg, Lola Akinrodoye, Lade Olugbemi

**Apologies:** Derek Sewell (Co-chair), Pat Robinson, Keith Jones

**The meeting started with everyone introducing themselves. The previous minutes were agreed.**

### **1. Police Safer neighborhood panel**

Ward panel meeting stats were given out and PC Stoian talked through them (See Appendix 1).

She explained MET engage and the usefulness of signing up both for us and for the police (see Appendix 2)

The ward priorities remain the same, and PC Stoian shared a few recent incidents that have been addressed (see Appendix 3).

Questions were asked: Is CCTV Working? Most Peabody cameras are working, although some have been vandalized; however, they have a clear picture of the vandals.

Police have brought in a larger team to stop the drug dealing. Twice a month the team comes until midnight. Also, they come early in the morning.

Councillor Babatola commended the police for the job they are doing. He asked if it is possible to have mobile CCTV in the area. Unfortunately, this is not possible.

Knife amnesty is coming to Thamesmead.

Criminals have been using modified electric bikes and can escape quicker than police on foot. Police stop them as often as possible, and they can then be charged if the electric bike is not registered for MOT, road tax or insurance.

Riding electric bikes is a danger to residents. They do not feel safe.

There was a discussion about those who ride electric bikes and scooters and how the police are trying to seize as many as possible.

An update on the Cole Close fire was requested. The police didn't have at the time but will report next time they come.

Also, an update about the stabbing at the Moorings was requested: A call came that there was a Stabbing @ Disraeli Close, a teacher took a young person away who had been attacked but the young person didn't want to press charges. He was not stabbed. The attackers have both been charged as there was another victim who was willing to press charges.

## **2. Matters arising.**

- Is there an update on the bridge? DS noticed that last time a little was being done each week. RS used the new steps last Thursday.
- The flooded underpass? The underpass is dry when the weather is dry and gets bad with much rain. Dan has met with colleague and they are working through some of the fix my street items. Dan will provide further updates at the next meeting,
- Three trees were reported by DS - one was taken down by Peabody, the other two are still standing on the edge of Castilion School car park overhanging two public paths.
- Action: The lighting still is not fixed on the A-bridge. Cllr Olu Babatola reported that the light tripped off because of old wiring. He will message Larry to give an update on the repair,

**ACTION:** Cllr Olu Babatola to message Larry and find out what is happening with the lights on the A-Bridge

## **3. Update on the walk-about concerning the new ramp**

The ramp is installed and tree roots are being removed. A walk around has been done and the results are being submitted to Greenwich. All work relating to accessibility should be done by Greenwich.

Deborah raised that there is a dip at the bottom of the ramp as you go onto the path, it is very dangerous and someone could trip over.

The dead plants have been reported and the maintenance will be done by Peabody. We are grateful for all the new drop kerbs that we now have, this makes accessibility so much easier.

## **4. Update on the Moorings Healthier Together**

20 dental care sessions have run with amazing feedback. We have been able to reach 291 people. Still have 3 more sessions to deliver.

21 farming /gardening projects have run. We visited a Farm last Saturday which went very well. These sessions have reached over 90 children.

Cooking Sessions are delivered at Waterways Centre for young mums and have done 4 special celebrations so far. We have reached 138 different people; the aim is to promote different cultures to the participants.

We have one more visit-planned to go to Hall Garden for Butterflies. We also, have a beach trip planned.

The plan is to apply in September for further funding to be able to start a new

program in January.

## **5. TFL survey**

Plan for the DLR coming to Thamesmead are underway. Cllr Olu Babatola gave a short report of the history of DLR coming to Thamesmead. The more people who respond to the survey the more likely it will take place. The survey is not just for residents, we need as many as possible to fill in the link.

We were urged to encourage as many as possible to fill in the survey. It must be done before Sunday 17 August. The link is [https://haveyoursay.tfl.gov.uk/dlr-extension-consultation-2?tool=survey\\_tool&tool\\_id=dlr-extension-consultation-2-survey](https://haveyoursay.tfl.gov.uk/dlr-extension-consultation-2?tool=survey_tool&tool_id=dlr-extension-consultation-2-survey)

There are also drop-in sessions that you can attend to find out more about the proposal. Monday 7 July, 3pm to 7pm, Moorings Sociable Club, Arnott Close, Thamesmead, SE28 8BG and Saturday 19 July, 10am to 2pm, Thamesmead Leisure Centre, Thamesmere Drive, Thamesmead, SE28 8RE

## **6. Fly tipping**

Hotspots have been looked at and are waiting to see what the council will do. The plan is to install a camera or a sign warning of a fine.

The council is looking into a joint agreement between Greenwich and Bexley so that residents from both boroughs can use Nathan Way tip.

Cllr Olu Babatola reported that Tom and his team are doing a great job. Cllr Olu Babatola reports it and it is then cleared up very quickly.

It would be good to have a monthly clean-up, but we need someone to organise it. Ozge said she is planning to do litter picking with parents from Waterways. She will let us know of the dates so we can join too.

## **7. Next meetings**

- a. 28 July
- b. 22 September Forum (Police)
- c. 27 October
- d. 24 November (Police)

## **AOB**

- **Swimming pool complaint and progress.** Deborah had a problem at Thamesmere swimming pool. They have responded by creating a disabled parking bay and also giving access to the small pool if pod (lift) is not working.

John mentioned about Men's Chase being established in Thamesmead He has set up a meeting in Thamesmead 2nd July @2pm for people to bring views and ideas on what they want. The idea is to help mental health and community building, get people engaged with crafts and other activities and reduce isolation.

2 August Thamesmead festival 12-7-30pm

A reminder to look at the constitution. We are hoping to agree in the September meeting.

If anyone has any ideas on what they want to see done in the Moorings in the future, let the committee know.

Watersports have started at South Lake.

Peabody pop-up cafe is going ahead and door knocking will take place in September. MNF have been encouraged to support the door knocking to get themselves more known in the area.

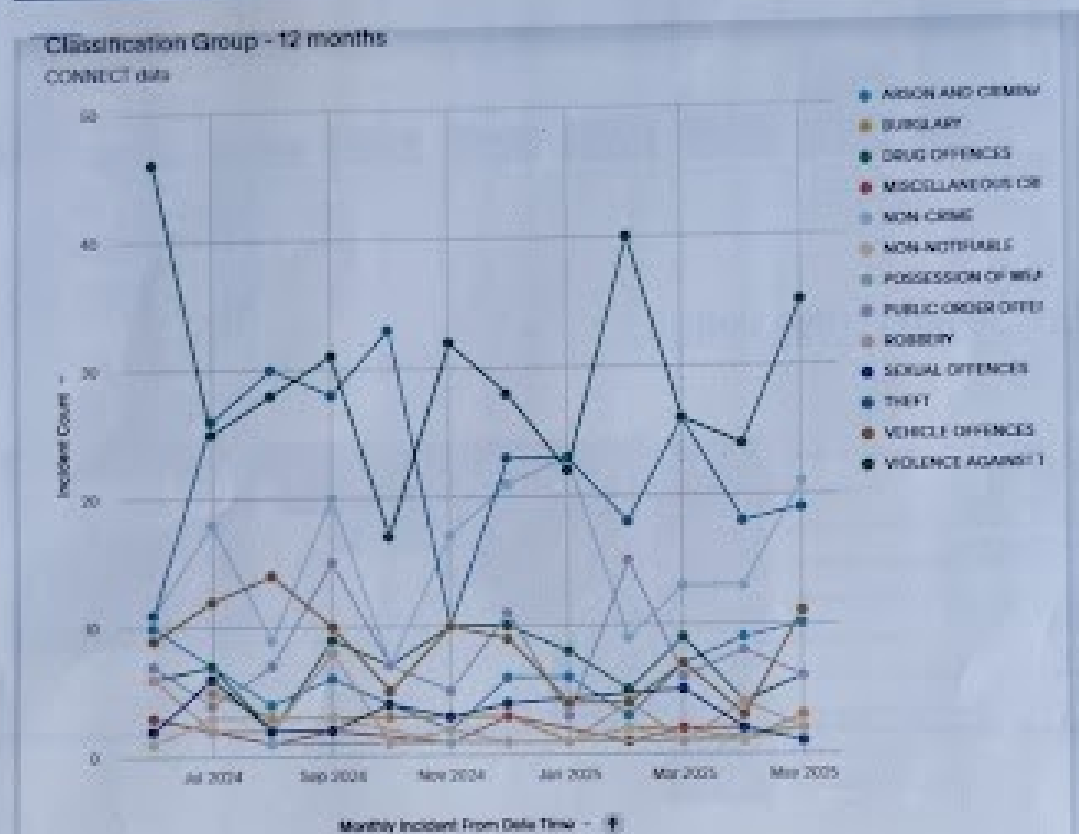
## Appendix 1

### Ward panel meeting statistics for June 2025

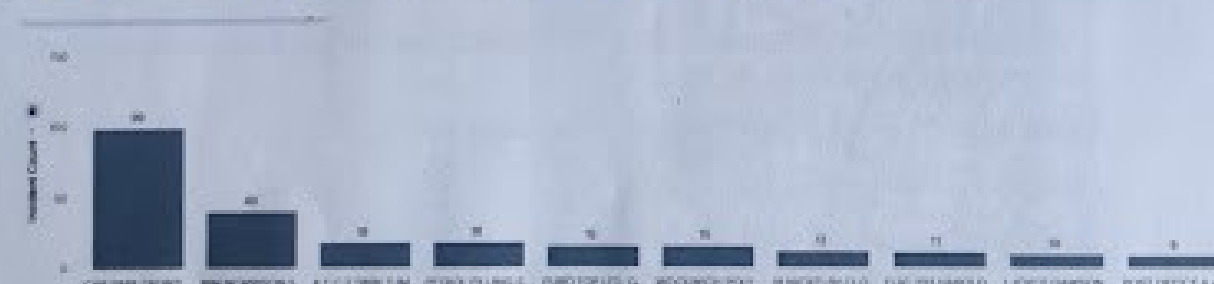
#### Thamesmead Moorings



#### Previous 12 month statistics:



#### Premises where crime reoccurred in the last 30 days:



## Top 10 offence locations- Past 365 days:



## Last 30 days crime statistics:



More information from your Safer Neighbourhood Team can be found at:

<https://www.met.police.uk/area/your-area/met/greenwich/thamesmead-moorings/about-us/top-reported-crimes-in-this-area>

On this Website you can also find crime prevention advice for:

- How to secure windows
- How to keep burglars out
- protecting your property against vandalism
- Protecting yourself from crime
- Keeping vehicles safe and secured/ preventing theft

# MET ENGAGE

## Community crime-fighting

MET ENGAGE is a new online service introduced to the MET so you can have your local Safer Neighbourhood Team at your fingertips.

It is a way for you to keep up to date with what is going on and tell your Safer Neighbourhood Team about any issues you may be experiencing.

All messages sent to your safer Neighbourhood Team via this are private and confidential therefore allowing you to tell us the issue you are facing or concerns that you may have about your local area.

Want to find out more? Talk to a member of your Safer Neighbourhood team today or SIGN UP NOW using the QR code.



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### **MET ENGAGE**

- Scan the QR code
- Register your account (it is free to do and hassle free)
- Stay in touch with your Safer Neighbourhood Team.

## INTRODUCING:

# MET ENGAGE

## Community crime-fighting

### What is Met engage?

Met Engage is a free messaging service launched by the Metropolitan Police to enhance communication between the police and the local community in London. It allows residents to receive updates on local crime, safety advice, and news from their local police teams, and also provides a platform for the police to gather information from the community.

### What is the purpose?

Met Engage aims to improve communication and community engagement by providing a direct channel for sharing information between the police and the public.

### What it offers:

- Local crime updates: Residents can receive alerts about local crime incidents and appeals.
- Safety advice: Information and advice on staying safe in the area will be provided.
- News from local officers: Updates from local police teams about their activities and initiatives.
- Community engagement opportunities: Invitations to community meetings and events.
- A way for the police to gather information: The platform also allows police to ask for information, like CCTV footage, from residents related to ongoing incidents or investigations.

### How it works:

It's a messaging service where local officers can send updates directly to residents who have signed up.

### Benefits:

*Increased transparency:* Residents can stay informed about what's happening in their area.

*Strengthened community ties:* The platform facilitates communication and collaboration between the police and the community.

*Improved crime prevention:* By sharing information and advice, it can help to prevent crime and keep residents safe.

If you would like more information about Met engage or Information about how to sign up:



## Appendix 3

### Previous priorities and actions that have been taken:

#### Priority:

Violence on the streets of Thamesmead

Issued 14 November 2024

#### Action taken:

To conduct patrolling through the walkways and residential blocks.

Actioned 14 November 2024

Drug dealing in the Thamesmead Moorings and on surrounding areas

Issued 14 November 2024

Intelligence gathering, leading to warrants being carried out, with assistance of specialist teams.

Actioned 14 November 2024

Theft from Motor Vehicles including tow aways and Theft of Motor Vehicles.

Issued 14 November 2024

Inform residents of recent motor vehicle crimes that have occurred in their immediate area, with motor vehicle crime prevention information leaflets and SNT contact details. Conduct patrolling hotspots with other police forces.

Actioned 14 November 2024

### What we have done recently:

Stop and searched conducted resulting in positive outcomes, such as drugs being seized and arrests made. High-visibility and co-vert patrols around Disraeli Close and Titmuss Avenue which aims to decrease drug dealers and users in this area.

Spoken with numerous concerned neighbours for reassurance visits. Done CCTV enquires for identification of youths causing ASB and Criminal damage to properties. A designated officer has been issuing CPW and CPN to prolific offender.

Regularly doing checks on vehicles- ensuring they have MOT and Road tax as well as removing abandoned vehicles from streets. Crime prevention stalls done by PCSO's discussing motor vehicle crime prevention to members of community and public.

To prevent theft of motor vehicle and disrupt county lines SNT officers are targeting vehicles that officers suspect are possibly involved in drug activities.

What should we prioritise:

What areas should we target:

And what days/times?

What other actions do you believe would be effective:

What crime prevention advice would you give to others based on what we have discussed today: