

## **Council 28 June : Agenda Item 9.1**

**Administration Policy Item:** Cllr. Brian Salinger

### **Community Safety**

Council notes that Barnet contributed £24,850,000 towards Policing in London last year, more than any other London Borough.

Council regrets that Barnet receives proportionately fewer Police Officers back for this investment. Barnet is only being allocated 2 more Police Officers this year, fewer than the average for London, and many fewer than neighbouring Haringey, which is being allocated 14 more Officers.

Council notes the implementation of the Government's new licensing regime permitting more late-night opening of pubs and potentially creating more disorder on our streets.

Council welcomes Barnet's bold expansion of the No Alcohol Zones into more town centres, but highlights the Cabinet report finding these must be properly Policed in order to prove effective.

Council further welcomes the statement by the Borough Commander that more police on the Borough's streets would shift the "balance of power" away from Criminals.

Council believes that given our residents contribute proportionately more to the Metropolitan Police Budget than other Boroughs, Barnet people deserve more Police on their streets.

Council calls on Cabinet to seek an urgent meeting with the Metropolitan Police Authority to rectify the problems in their Resource Allocation Formulation and ensure that Barnet receives the extra frontline Officers it desperately needs.