

London Policing Ethics Panel Minutes of Meeting

Monday, 8 April 2019

Membership

Dr Suzanne Shale (Chair)
Dr Priya Singh
Professor Leif Wenar

Also in attendance

Matthew Horne, MPS
Ivan Balhatchet, MPS
Johanna Morley, MPS
Martin Tunstall, MOPAC

Apologies

Professor Deborah Bowman
Ben Bradford, Institute of Global City Policing

Minutes of Last Meeting

1. The minutes of the meeting on 11 March 2019 were agreed.

Discussion of Draft Final Report with the MPS

2. Ivan Balhatchet, OCU Commander, Detention & Live Facial Recognition Lead; and Johanna Morley, Senior Technologist; in the MPS attended for this item. They updated the panel on the outcomes from the Live Facial Recognition trials and confirmed that there were no evident errors of fact in respect of policing in the report. The panel sought comment on whether the proposed conditions were operationally feasible, and on the proposed framework for future field trials, including the role of governance and oversight.

Review of Draft Final Report in light of discussion and the Home Office Biometric Strategy

3. There was a discussion of the draft sections of the final report and its publication. It was agreed to add one further condition and two recommendations which would be consistent with MOPAC's oversight role.

Next phase of work

4. The panel discussed areas of future work and agreed to continue scoping topics that had been brought forward within MOPAC and by MPS.

Advice to Deputy Mayor regarding 'Ethical Considerations for Commercial Opportunities'

5. The panel agreed the content of the letter of advice which would be sent to the Deputy Mayor and published on the Panel's website.

The Panel's next meeting will be on 13 May 2019.