

Minutes of the Sixteenth Meeting of the
Campbell Crime & Justice Group Steering Committee
Atlanta, GA, November 13, 2007

In attendance:

Steering Committee

David Farrington, University of Cambridge, UK (outgoing co-chair)
Peter Grabosky, Australian National University, Australia (co-chair elect)
Jerry Lee, Jerry Lee Foundation, USA
Jacque Mallender, The Matrix Knowledge Group, UK
Phyllis Schultze, Rutgers University, USA
Jonathan Shepherd, Cardiff University, UK
Lawrence Sherman, University of Pennsylvania, USA/University of Cambridge, UK
Hiroshi Tsutomi, University of Shizuoka, Japan
Peter van der Laan, NSCR, The Netherlands
David Weisburd, Hebrew University, Israel (co-chair)
Brandon Welsh, University of Massachusetts Lowell, USA
David Wilson, George Mason University, USA (editor-in-chief)

Invited Guests

Thomas Feucht, National Institute of Justice, USA
Charlotte Gill, University of Pennsylvania, USA (managing editor)
Welmoed Spahr, Springer Publishing, USA

1. Welcome and Introductions

David Farrington welcomed everyone to the sixteenth meeting of the Campbell Crime and Justice Group (CCJG) Steering Committee. Committee members Jan Andersson (National Council for Crime Prevention, Sweden), Catherine Blaya (European Observatory of Violence in Schools, France), Martin Killias (University of Zurich, Switzerland), Friedrich Lösel (University of Cambridge, UK), Peter Neyroud (National Policing Improvement Agency, UK), and invited guest Matthew Scheider (National Institute of Justice, USA), sent their regrets on not being able to attend the meeting.

David Farrington welcomed Committee member Peter Grabosky as co-chair elect. David Farrington and David Weisburd reminded committee members of the system for co-chairing the group, in concordance with Campbell Collaboration (C2) guidelines. Each co-chair serves a six-year term, which will be staggered so that one new co-chair is elected every three years. Peter Grabosky will thus serve six years, and current co-chair David Weisburd will step down in three years' time.

The Committee also congratulated Committee member Jonathan Shepherd on winning the 2008 Stockholm Prize.

2. Minutes from the Last Meeting of the CCJG Steering Committee

The minutes of the fifteenth meeting of the CCJG Steering Committee on June 3, 2007, in Stockholm, Sweden, were adopted.

Matters arising:

- The CCJG brochure has been updated and will be distributed to American Society of Criminology (ASC) meeting participants in their registration packs.

- Several review topics were proposed in Stockholm. The second responders review is going ahead, co-authored by Robert Davis (RAND) and David Weisburd, and will be funded by a grant from the National Institute of Justice along with reviews on early childhood family programs by Alex Piquero *et al.*, and problem-oriented policing by David Weisburd *et al.* John Eck and Wes Skogan were invited to author reviews on police investigative strategies and neighborhood policing respectively, but were unable to do so. The co-chairs are still considering who to invite to author a review on zero-tolerance/broken windows policing.

3. Progress Report on Current CCJG Titles

David Wilson and Charlotte Gill reported on the status of CCJG titles through the end of October 2007 (Committee members received a handout titled 'Progress Report for CCJG Steering Committee Meeting'). The key points about the progress of CCJG titles include:

- 10 reviews have been published.
- 5 reviews are being revised with external critiques completed.
- 1 review is seeking external readers.
- 3 reviews are being revised before seeking external readers.
- 2 reviews are in progress but no protocol has been submitted.
- 7 protocols have been approved but the review has not been submitted.
- 1 protocol is being revised with external critiques completed.
- 3 protocols are seeking external readers.
- 6 protocols are being revised before seeking external readers.
- 1 protocol is awaiting an initial check before seeking external readers or revisions.

In summary, 10 reviews have been published, 18 reviews are in progress, 11 protocols are in progress, and 9 titles are in progress.

David Weisburd asked what could be done to expedite the reviews that are close to completion. It was agreed that Charlotte Gill would make a list of how long we have waited for protocols and reviews to be submitted, and that the co-chairs would follow up with the authors who have not been in touch for some time. Particular attention should be paid to final reviews that are being revised by authors, especially those that have already been peer-reviewed. Eight reviews altogether fall into this category. David Weisburd stated that this process should be completed by Christmas. Jerry Lee added that it would be more effective to contact authors by telephone rather than in writing; David Farrington offered to contact reviewers in the UK, since UK-based authors are preparing many of the reviews nearing completion.

Jacque Mallender asked what incentives are in place for reviewers to complete reviews. David Weisburd replied that for most authors, the incentive is career furtherance rather than financial reward. Publication of reviews in the *Journal of Experimental Criminology* helps with this.

A discussion ensued about how to link reviews to government agencies. Lawrence Sherman described the UK health organization, the National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence (NICE), which produces guidelines that are often based on Cochrane Collaboration systematic reviews of healthcare interventions. Jacque Mallender added that NICE relies on sources other than Cochrane, but C2 could aim to be the 'gold standard' source for getting criminal justice information to governments. She

added that an economic element in systematic reviews is attractive to consumers who want to know how much programs cost; in particular, the philanthropy market is a significant consumer of economic analyses. Jonathan Shepherd added that C2 should focus on marketing evidence, through the use of press releases and so on. Following the NICE model, evidence should be produced, reviewed, synthesized into guidelines, and policies then implemented. The UK National Health Service is required to implement NICE guidelines within three months of their publication. Jacque Mallender stated that there is not the same market for evidence yet in criminal justice, so it would be important to increase interest first. Jerry Lee added that the MacArthur Foundation in the US is working on cost-benefit analyses in social welfare issues.

Lawrence Sherman asked how the CCJG could interest criminologists (i.e. non-economists) in doing economic-based work. Can the CCJG offer funding and push reviews towards a cost-benefit focus? Would it be preferable to involve review authors in some kind of government process? How could the CCJG persuade governments to adopt an analogue for NICE within components of the criminal justice and social welfare systems? Jacque Mallender replied that she was going to be in discussion with funders in the coming weeks, who were interested in economic reviews, and would suggest they fund some existing CCJG reviews if they were to include an economic element.

David Farrington summarized the discussion by formulating a strategy for completing reviews. He stated that he was working on three reviews that were close to completion, and would focus on finishing those off. Lawrence Sherman's restorative justice review is waiting on new trials to be published for an update. Jacque Mallender stated that she has been working with Cynthia McDougall on her cost/benefit analysis of sentencing, and agreed to take responsibility for moving that review forwards. The group agreed that authors who were close to completion should be contacted by telephone to find out what their needs were with regard to completion. Committee members agreed to contact authors as follows:

- Jacque Mallender: Cynthia McDougall.
- David Wilson: Rania Marandos.
- Lawrence Sherman: complete own review; contact Christopher Koper.
- David Weisburd: Amanda Perry.
- David Farrington: complete own reviews; contact Lisa Gadon.
- Jerry Lee: Friedrich Lösel, Patrick Tolan.

Many reviewers have not submitted final reviews to CCJG, but have had work based on their Campbell review published elsewhere. Lawrence Sherman suggested making a list of those reviews that have been published elsewhere, and examining how much work has been done on them since the publication date. He, Charlotte Gill, and David Wilson will work on this.

Additional suggestions for incentives were as follows:

- Publishing abstracts of completed reviews, along with the authors' pictures, at the back of the *Journal of Experimental Criminology* (Jerry Lee/David Wilson).
- CCJG-approved reviews related to policing can be published by the US Department of Justice's Office of Community-Oriented Policing Services (COPS), which goes to every police department in the US (David Weisburd).
- Increasing CCJG presence at the annual Campbell Collaboration (C2) colloquia, using this as a forum to launch newly published reviews to a large audience of policymakers (Jacque Mallender).

- Publication of review abstracts in the widely used National Criminal Justice Reference Service (NCJRS) and Criminal Justice Abstracts (CJA) databases (Phyllis Schultze).
- Sending abstracts or reviews to the CCJG community (everyone who has had contact with or is interested in the work of the group) (David Weisburd).
- The C2 Steering Group is working on a draft contract that authors of new titles will sign as a statement of ownership of their review, which should increase commitment to completion (David Wilson).

4. Expediting the Refereeing Process

David Wilson reported that as of two days prior to this meeting, C2 groups could now pay peer reviewers of protocols as well as reviews. This should speed up the process, as it is harder to bring busy peer reviewers on board without incentives.

David Weisburd stated that it could take 12 to 16 weeks to get together all the peer reviews needed at the various stages of the editorial process. Jerry Lee suggested asking peer reviewers to agree to a date and time for a phone call about the review, rather than writing a detailed written review. David Weisburd said that we should try this idea at the protocol stage. It may be possible to pay retroactively – if the reviewer can agree to the phone call by a certain date, they will get paid.

Furthermore, it was noted that the CCJG Steering Committee has the final say in approving protocols and reviews. Comments from methods and peer reviewers are advisory only.

5. Consideration of New Titles

A new title on *Re-entry programs for formerly incarcerated women*, by Gretchen Heidemann and Haluk Soydan of the University of Southern California was submitted just before the meeting, and is awaiting an editorial check before being sent to the CCJG committee for approval.

Peter Grabosky advised that Don Weatherburn has expressed an interest in a review of interventions to control alcohol-related violence, which may be funded by the New South Wales Government in Australia. This has not been submitted as a CCJG review at this stage.

Jerry Lee suggested asking the US National Institute of Justice for assistance in producing ten reviews per year. Thomas Feucht agreed to discuss this proposal, and Jerry Lee and David Weisburd will meet with him and David Hagy in February to follow up.

6. Funding

(a) U.S. National Institute of Justice (NIJ)

David Weisburd reported that NIJ is continuing to fund CCJG reviews through the University of Pennsylvania. This year, CCJG received \$75,000 to sponsor three reviews, which were chosen in collaboration with NIJ and will be presented at their National Evaluation Conference next summer. Reviewers will receive \$5,000 for timely completion. The three reviews selected were:

- *The effects of second responder program on repeat incidents of family abuse*, by Robert Davis (RAND Corporation) and David Weisburd;
- *The effects of problem-oriented policing on crime and disorder*, by David Weisburd, John Eck (University of Cincinnati), Joshua Hinkle and Cody Telep (University of Maryland);

- *The effectiveness of family programs implemented up to age 5 in reducing later antisocial behavior/delinquency*, by Alex Piquero (John Jay College of Criminal Justice), Brandon Welsh, David Farrington, and Richard Tremblay (University of Montreal).

David Weisburd thanked Thomas Feucht and the NIJ for their support in moving forward.

(b) U.K. Home Office

Jacque Mallender reported that the economics methods group received funding from the Home Office and NIJ for a 2-day conference held in Washington, DC, which examined the use of economics in criminology. However, they have not funded any economic reviews. The recent changes in the Home Office mean that it has not commissioned much research lately, since money is now dispersed across different organizations. There is a new system of ‘framework holders’ – approved contractors for research in the Home Office – but although the frameworks have been set out, the funding is limited.

(c) U.K. National Policing Improvement Agency (NPIA)

Lawrence Sherman reported that since the discussion in Stockholm, strategic reassessments have been planned at the NPIA, along with a planned parliamentary committee and green paper on policing, which aim to focus police practice on evidence about ‘what works’ along the lines of the NICE model. Evidence consumption could become an express goal of UK policing. Thus, NPIA could be a fertile market for applying CCJG reviews to practice, and may have the leverage to obtain funding to commission reviews and prospective meta-analyses.

Cambridge University is proposing REXNET – a randomized experimental network of police agencies in the UK, with staff trained at Cambridge to simultaneously implement randomized controlled trials in order to produce meta-analyses. This may be funded by the Economic and Social Research Council and NPIA.

Peter Neyroud suggested in Stockholm that someone at NPIA could act as a search coordinator for CCJG. Lawrence Sherman offered to contact Peter Neyroud to discuss this.

(d) The Jerry Lee Foundation

David Farrington and the committee recognized Jerry Lee’s support in funding the managing editor and the annual Jerry Lee Symposium. Jerry Lee’s active participation in addition to his financial support was also noted.

(e) The Nordic Campbell Centre (NC2)

NC2 supports reviews that cover social welfare issues. David Weisburd stated that CCJG should identify more reviews that cover this area, and David Wilson added that CCJG should be more proactive in offering reviews to NC2. It was agreed that David Wilson would send a full list of viable reviews to NC2 director Merete Konnerup.

(f) Norway funding

Funding from the Norwegian government will include \$500,000 over three years to fund reviews. The only constraint on the funding is that the review must be on a topic

of interest to the Norwegian government. David Wilson suggested writing to authors to ask for a one-page funding proposal explaining how their review would be relevant to the Norwegian government. David Weisburd will write to Arild Bjørndal to find out how much funding CCJG can offer, before CCJG writes to authors. David Weisburd will also find out whether the funding applies to new reviews only, or whether it can be used to expedite existing reviews.

(g) Other sources

Jacque Mallender talked about the foundations she works with through her organization. They do not know about C2, but they are increasingly interested in evidence, so Jacque Mallender will work to raise the profile of and interest in C2 and CCJG. The foundations think in terms of economics and cost-benefit analyses, rather than academic debates about good evidence. They are interested in innovation and campaigning for programs that are proven to work to be funded by the state. David Farrington added that on this basis they should be interested in funding reviews that examine whether or not programs work.

Jerry Lee reported that the MacArthur Foundation in the US would probably be open to funding because their goal is to push rigorously evaluated programs to the federal government. They have hired Jon Baron for this purpose, and are putting together a committee on cost-benefit analysis. He suggested that a conference call between David Weisburd, Lawrence Sherman, Jerry Lee, and Jon Baron would be timely. Jon Baron and Jerry Lee are also meeting on November 29th to discuss how to work together to promote evidence in federal government. Jon Baron will help to move any funding arrangements forward. David Farrington thanked Jerry Lee for his work in this area.

Thomas Feucht reported that there were no appropriations yet this year at NIJ, but they hoped to get more soon. A new Office of Audits and Assessments has just been authorized in the Office of Justice Programs (OJP), which may mean that programs will now be held to a higher standard, and that performance data will be compilable across grantees. His colleague Mike Crowley would be a useful person to include in conversations as he is committed to the idea of rigorous evidence.

7. Campbell Collaboration (C2) Developments

David Weisburd summarized the new developments in C2 since the Stockholm meeting. C2's relationship with American Institutes for Research (AIR) ended in June, and Arild Bjørndal became the new co-chair of C2 alongside Bob Boruch. Arild Bjørndal was able to negotiate long-term support for C2 with the Norwegian government, as discussed above, which will involve \$690,000 each year for the next three years (including \$500,000 for reviews, and funding for the C2 Colloquium, training and personnel), as well as funding for the remainder of this year, with a view to renewing the deal for a further three years if it proves successful. The Norwegian Health and Education Centre is taking on many of the overhead costs, so these will not be coming out of the grant. Arild Bjørndal is committed to transparency, and will be compiling a public statement of funding sources. David Weisburd will circulate the new strategic plan for C2 to the CCJG Steering Committee for comments. Arild Bjørndal will attend the next CCJG meeting in Stockholm.

The term of tenure for C2 Steering Group co-chairs is three years, renewable to six years. This also applies to the C2 representatives from the CCJG and other groups. The current CCJG representatives to C2 are David Weisburd and David Wilson. One

representative must be a co-chair of the CCJG. It was decided that David Weisburd should be elected to another three-year term and David Wilson to a first three-year term. In three years, CCJG will re-elect David Wilson and elect Peter Grabosky.

It was agreed by the group that David Wilson would write up the CCJG governance bylaws for C2. David Wilson also stated that the webpages on policy statements, governance, and minutes of C2 meetings would be cleaned up to improve transparency and accessibility.

A discussion followed about the evolution of the CCJG Steering Committee and membership. It was agreed that committee rotation should be based on resignation or lack of contribution, rather than set terms. It was also decided that there should be a CCJG membership base in addition to the Steering Committee, made up of people who have worked with CCJG, who would receive a newsletter and possibly vote on Committee membership. Jacque Mallender added that this was the practice in the economics methods group, and it was agreed that Charlotte Gill would speak to Ian Shemilt, from that group, about how it worked. David Wilson stated that the C2 methods group has a two-tier system of members (who should be capable of producing a methodological peer review) and affiliates (who would not act as reviewers but were interested in the work of the group). He suggested emailing current CCJG contacts to find out what they are qualified or interested to do.

David Weisburd added that under the new governance, CCJG must use the C2 logo on anything published under the C2 name (permission is not required), alongside the CCJG logo. Charlotte Gill will check that the C2 logo goes out on COPS publications of CCJG reviews.

At this point the meeting was briefly adjourned to recognize David Farrington, who was presiding as co-chair for the last time. David Weisburd thanked David Farrington for his leadership role from the beginning, and his work in creating and furthering the CCJG. David Farrington has been instrumental in raising the profile of the group. David Weisburd presented David Farrington with a plaque to recognize his services, and a gift from the group. David Farrington thanked the group for making his term as co-chair enjoyable, and thanked David Weisburd for the speech and gifts.

8. Report on Recent Meetings

There were no meetings on which to report.

9. Upcoming Meetings

(a) 8th Jerry Lee Crime Prevention Symposium, Washington, DC, 5-6 May 2008

David Weisburd, David Wilson, Jerry Lee, Jon Baron, and Laurie Robinson are on the organizing committee. Lawrence Sherman suggested obtaining funding to have all the speakers present in Stockholm too, in order to increase the connection between CCJG and the Nordic groups. David Weisburd agreed to write to Arild Bjørndal about this. Day One of the Symposium will feature presentations by Wayne Osgood, Amanda Perry, Manuel Eisner, David Wilson, and Mark Lipsey. Day Two will feature Robert Davis and Alex Piquero presenting their NIJ-funded CCJG reviews.

David Farrington congratulated David Weisburd, Jerry Lee, and the other organizers. Lawrence Sherman suggested that the Stockholm Criminology Symposium could also have a practitioner-oriented day, like the Jerry Lee Symposium's Day Two, and agreed to talk to the organizers about this possibility.

(b) 3rd Stockholm Criminology Symposium, 16-18 June 2008

Lawrence Sherman congratulated Jonathan Shepherd again on winning the 2008 Stockholm Prize. He hopes to see more talk about systematic reviews and synthesis of evidence this year. The organizers are considering whether to aim to be a large conference or cater to a smaller, more specialist audience.

David Wilson stated that Merete Konnerup has an extensive list of practitioners, so it would be good to involve her in the drive to attract more practitioners to the conference. Jerry Lee added that there could be Campbell Collaboration sessions in Stockholm. Lawrence Sherman asked the international members of the committee to think of ways to mobilize people from around the world to come to Stockholm, on the basis that there will be C2 content.

(c) Conference on 'Evidence-based Policing,' Cambridge, UK, 30 June – 2 July 2008

Lawrence Sherman announced this planned conference, which will be funded by the NPIA. Travel money is available for CCJG members. Invited speakers will include Jerry Lee, David Weisburd, David Farrington, Peter Grabosky, Lorraine Mazerolle, Jonathan Shepherd, and Lawrence Sherman. The conference will also include the dedication of the new Jerry Lee Centre of Criminology at Cambridge. Lawrence Sherman thanked Jerry Lee for his support of the project.

(d) 8th Campbell Collaboration Symposium, Vancouver, Canada, 12-14 May 2008

David Wilson stated that CCJG needed to work on increasing our representation at the conference. CCJG authors Cynthia McDougall, Alex Piquero, and Lynette Feder volunteered to be on the organizing committee.

The timing of the meeting is problematic for group members as it is close to the Jerry Lee Symposium and the Stockholm conference. David Weisburd suggested trying to locate the next C2 meeting in Stockholm. He would recommend having the conference in the same place at least every other year.

(e) European Society of Criminology, Edinburgh, 2-5 September 2008

Peter van der Laan stated that this is an increasingly important conference, with 600 participants this year. However, late August/early September is a difficult time for US members as it is the start of term. David Weisburd agreed to try to go to two panels. Peter van der Laan agreed to liaise with Martin Killias about increasing CCJG involvement.

(f) American Society of Criminology, St Louis, MO, November 12-15 2008

Papers must be submitted by March 1, 2008. The 2009 conference will be in Philadelphia, giving an opportunity to showcase the work of the Jerry Lee Center, including CCJG, and new president Todd Clear is likely to be sympathetic to the CCJG's work.

It was agreed that Brandon Welsh would contact the NIJ-funded authors and those presenting at the Jerry Lee Symposium to encourage them to submit CCJG-related papers.

(g) Other conferences

Peter Grabosky reported that there would be an Australia and New Zealand Society of Criminology conference, produced by the Australian Institute of Criminology,

in Canberra, 25-28 November, 2008. Peter Grabosky agreed to organize a panel to showcase CCJG, perhaps including Lorraine Mazerolle and Ross Homel.

The International Society of Criminology meeting takes place in Barcelona, 20-25 July 2008. Lawrence Sherman plans to attend and will arrange a Campbell panel, perhaps with a presentation on restorative justice, which may be a popular theme at the conference.

Peter van der Laan added that there is a Dutch Society of Criminology meeting. The meeting is conducted in Dutch, but every year he attends and gives an update on the work of C2 and CCJG.

10. Publications

(a) Springer book series

Peter Grabosky summarized progress around these negotiations. Welmoed Spahr reported that Springer is keen to move the book series forward, and will then talk about other products such as publications of reviews and e-books. The book series may be able to start up in the new year. Springer would like this to be as broad as possible, including other members of the evidence-based crime prevention community who have not done Campbell reviews. Peter Grabosky agreed that authors of Campbell reviews could all be invited to publish a book.

A discussion followed on how the books could be made sufficiently different from the material freely available on the CCJG website. David Farrington suggested a focus on policy implications. The systematic review could comprise the first part of the book, or could be used as a framework for a write-up of a new, related experiment to develop the body of knowledge.

Welmoed Spahr announced that a contract with Springer would be for a minimum of two books a year. If the Steering Committee thought that were feasible, the contract would be issued. Books would be affiliated with CCJG (indicated by an editorial statement), but not published under the C2 logo, since not all the reviews would be Campbell-approved.

David Farrington thanked Welmoed Spahr for her work on the project.

(b) Special issues of Spanish journal, *Psicothema*

David Farrington noted that the header should read ‘special sections,’ not ‘special issues.’ One section has already been published and the other is in press. Vicente Garrido has worked hard to bring evidence-based policy to the Spanish-speaking world.

(c) *Journal of Experimental Criminology*

David Weisburd reported that the Journal is a success, with many interesting and high-quality articles, such as the recent debate on meta-analysis. Springer is publishing an op-ed drawing on content from all its journals, which will include Lawrence Sherman’s Joan McCord lecture. David Farrington and others are helping its success by pushing CCJG presenters and authors to submit articles.

The Journal is currently trying to get an impact factor, but this is proving difficult. It was included in the University of Maryland’s ranking system, in category B, along with other excellent and well-established journals. Phyllis Schultze suggested sending the Maryland list to ISI to encourage them to revise their inclusion criteria.

David Farrington congratulated David Weisburd and Welmoed Spahr on the Journal’s success.

(d) Office of Community-oriented Policing Services (COPS)

David Weisburd will contact COPS to remind them that they can only publish CCJG reviews that have already been approved by the CCJG.

Charlotte Gill will mail printed copies of Lorraine Mazerolle's published COPS review on street-level drug enforcement to CCJG members.

(e) Swedish National Council on Crime Prevention

David Farrington and Brandon Welsh's reviews of CCTV and street lighting were published by Jan Andersson's organization in both English and Swedish, in a format accessible to practitioners.

(f) Other publications

Hiroshi Tsutomi announced that the 2006 revised edition of *Evidence-Based Crime Prevention*, by Lawrence Sherman, David Farrington, Brandon Welsh, and Doris MacKenzie, was being translated into Japanese.

11. CCJG Website

David Wilson reported that AIR is currently still managing the website. AIR web manager Catherine McIlwain has been very responsive, and has now left AIR to work as a freelance contractor for C2. The C2 steering group has formed a committee, including Catherine McIlwain, David Wilson, and possibly Peter Grabosky, to look into other web-hosting options. Jacque Mallender noted that her organization has a web-hosting department and would be happy to help. She agreed to liaise with David Wilson.

David Wilson added that AIR has provided the code for AdTracker, an online review tracking system, for a nominal fee.

Hiroshi Tsutomi noted the importance of translating the website into other languages.

12. Evolution of the CCJG Steering Committee

There were 18 members at the last meeting. Ulla Bondeson retired and Jan Andersson, Peter Neyroud, and Brandon Welsh were invited to join. Since the meeting, Jim Sheu and Richard Tremblay stepped down from the committee, Britta Kvygaard was invited to join but declined, and Lorraine Mazerolle joined, so there are now 19 CCJG members.

13. Other Business

The Committee noted that CCJG brochures were included in ASC meeting packs this year. It was agreed that a newsletter should be developed for the wider CCJG community, and the Committee also agreed to endorse the Cambridge conference next year. Peter Grabosky was instated as the new co-chair of the CCJG Steering Committee, to replace David Farrington.

14. Date of Next CCJG SC Meeting

The next meeting of the CCJG Steering Committee will be held on Sunday, June 15, 2008, in Stockholm. There will be a dinner on the evening of Saturday, June 14. Details to follow.