

Cindy Butts

Cindy became a member of the Metropolitan Police Authority (MPA) in 2000 and was returned for a second term of office in July 2004, since when she has been continually elected as one of the Authority's two deputy chairs.

Holding a BA in Social Anthropology and Politics from the School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London, Cindy was formerly a researcher for the Economic Secretary to the Treasury and then a House of Commons Researcher.

She chaired the MPA's significant gun crime scrutiny, published in February 2004, co-chaired the Authority's scrutiny into MPS participation in Crime and Disorder Partnerships, and also led an independent evaluation of MPS Community Race Relations training. She was a panel member for the Authority's ground breaking year-long enquiry into the causes and effects of terrorism amongst our diverse communities, 'Counter-Terrorism: The London debate', which published 73 recommendations in February 2007.

Cindy has extensive experience in senior public sector recruitment. She is an Accredited Independent Assessor for the Office for the Commission of Public Appointments (OCPA), Independent Advisor to the Royal Naval Museums and she is a current Independent Member of the Metropolitan Police Authority.

She was previously an Independent Assessor for the Judicial Appointments Commission (providing independent oversight to the recruitment of Recorders and Circuit Judges) and has also served as one of two Independent Observers for the NHS Appointments Commission.