

Safer Barnsley Partnership Board Wednesday, 28 February 2018: 10.00 – 12.00 Town Hall MR2

Minutes

Attendees

Scott Green, Chief Superintendent – SY Police

Wendy Lowder, Executive Director Communities – BMBC (Chair)

Steve Fletcher - SY Fire & Rescue Service

Carrie Abbott, Service Director, Public Health – BMBC

Phil Hollingsworth, Service Director, Safer, Stronger & Healthier - BMBC

Cllr Jenny Platts, Cabinet Member Communities – BMBC

Lennie Sahota, Service Director, Adults Assess & Care Management - BMBC

Dave Fullen, Director of Customer & Estate Services – Berneslai Homes

Sarah Poolman, Superintendent – S Y Police

Apologies

Ben Finley - Youth Justice Manager : BMBC

Cheryl Wynn - Partnerships & Projects Officer: SY PCC

Mel John-Ross – Social Care & Safeguarding (Children) – BMBC

Brigid Reid - Barnsley CCG

Ann Powell – National Probation Service

Jade Rose – Barnsley CCG

Linda Mayhew – Business Manager – LCJB

Sean Rayner - SWYT

Stephen Carroll - SY CRC

Cllr Linda Burgess, Chair - SY Fire & Rescue Authority

John Hallows – Barnsley Neighbourhood Watch

1. Apologies and Introductions

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made. Apologies were received and noted from the above members.

2. Minutes & Matters Arising from meeting on 27/11/17

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Item 2 - Action: Clarification on representation to be sought from CCG / SWYT and Children's Social Care & Safeguarding - Sharon Pitt

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Item 5 – Last sentence to be amended to read "The Chair confirmed that recommendations from the report will sit with the LSCB and CSA Sub Group." – **Sharon Pitt to amend**

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Item 6 – It was noted that CRC had been asked for data on numerous occasions but no data had been received to date. Scott Green/Wendy Lowder have a planned discussion with Amanda Cullen from CRC to discuss reoffending stats and relationship with Safer Neighbourhood Serice and the Hub.

Subject to the above amendment the minutes were agreed as a true record.

Action Schedule:

From meeting held 10/10/17:

- 1.1 Accommodation Providers and Looked After Children Agenda item Item discharged
- 1.2 Update 'Fire Station Plus' Steve Fletcher(SF) confirmed that the building has flexible space for conferencing facilities, kitchen, toilet and meeting space with consultation rooms for commissioning services, flu jabs etc. There is a meeting with Jakki Hardy on Friday to look at all fire service stations across the Borough, including Penistone, Cudworth, Stocksbridge and Barnsley. There are joint exercises planned around Easter, Summer and Dark Nights involving the police and fire service. Peaks in demand for fire service usually accord with police peaks in activity. SF reported there has been an increase in arson which he commented on at the last meeting. Significant increase in service demand was noted in November following which joint development work was undertaken with the police including visits to local schools and homes. Impacts of these actions have been positive and incidence numbers are noted to be reducing. However it was noted that there has been an increase in deliberate fires, fly tipping and waste being set on fire in Lundwood. The Partnership approach is to increase focus on waste/rubbish removal promptly to reduce risk of fire.

The Chair confirmed it would be good to include details of collaborative events as case studies within the re-freshed Safer Barnsley Plan.

Action: Steve Fletcher to supply details of collaborative events which can be built into the quarterly refresh.

From Meeting held on 27/11/18

- 1.1 Discussions around holding a SBP Public meeting Agenda item today
- 1.2 CSE/Safeguarding update included on forward plan Item discharged
- 1.3 CRC Demand Overview Presentation was circulated Item discharged.
- 1.4 Forward Plan All members to forward future Agenda items Items were requested and received from Delivery Groups Item discharged

3. Safer Barnsley Partnership Plan 2018-19 Refresh

Shiv Bhurtun (SB) presented the draft SBP refreshed plan and briefed as follows:

- Confirmed Board's agreement of an annual refresh of the SBP Plan share and evidence progress of strategic actions
- Refresh plan is not to be viewed as a re-write of the SBP Plan but a summary for the broader audience including members of public.
- The annual plan provides assurance on the direction of travel and trajectory for the next 12 months period in terms of actions/activities.
- Key areas of focus within the plan going forward include Domestic Abuse, Rape, CSE and Hate Crimes all of which will be delivered through the Crime, PVP, CTR and ASB Sub Groups.
- Priorities are primarily informed through the JSIA which is an annual assessment and analysis of Needs at a local level. This has informed future sets of actions for the sub groups.
- The draft document is offered for consideration and agreement on the content. Shiv emphasised and acknowledged the significant work and input received from all four sub group's priority leads in developing the annual plan to date.
- The next step will be to finalise the content and to progress to design and final sign off before publication by end of March 2018 as agreed at November 2017 Board meeting.

Comments/ Feedback from Board members:

- Lennie Sahota confirmed that some impressive work has been undertaken by the partnership. However, in some areas the impact is not clear and use of examples would be a good way of showing the difference being made. It was noted that some priority leads have provided case stories and Shiv will request more such examples for future plans.
- Page 4 Item 4.1 Use of monetary values could be reconsidered as this may be mis-interpreted by the reader.
- Page 6 Item 4.2
 - "Last year we would prevent need to contribute more into this – can talk about early intervention and the Hub. Focus on support and diversion.
 - Instead of saying "Invested in dedicated neighbourhood resources
 " replace it with "created a Town Centre Team consisting of
 police officers, PCO's and BMBC staff."
 - Page 7 Town Centre
 - 1st bullet point re investment in police officers not sure this will mean anything to the public
 - 4th bullet point begging, homelessness and add "associated vulnerability"

- Page 9 Item 5 (bottom) Sarah Poolman questioned whether the priorities from last year have really been revised. We have just separated Crime and ASB – need to tweak wording not sure priorities have been revised and JSAI findings have not changed dramatically. Suggested including the rationale for ther change is included.
- Page 11 JSIA priorities CSA/CSE have disappeared so not reflective of the JSIA – proposed that plan notes the role of LSCB Lead is leading CSE.. and how the establishment of the inter partnership protocol helps us to manage the interdependencies between strategic boards.
- Page 12 Sarah Poolman was not sure about the diagram and what it tells us. Questioned the use of "Perpetrator" as a term. Wording needs to reflect the whole document in that some work has been done and continues. Wendy Lowder questioned whether the diagram would be better placed at the beginning of Section 3.
- Links from the document to IDAS / DISC contacts / web links would be helpful.
- Engagement there are challenges re lack of response from public.
 Wendy Lowder suggested clarifying our commitment through offer of a a programme of engagement such as "we want to hear from you" and "we will be doing x y z " may encourage people to engage and signal our intention more strongly within the refreshed document.
- Confer around social media activities

Action – final comments to Shiv Bhurtun by 09/03 for the document then to be finalised by Scott Green and Wendy Lowder.

4. Inclusion of public meeting in revised TOR for SBP

This has been discussed and debated at the last couple of meetings. The objective of the Board is to increase public awareness, increase visibility but the methodology to achieve this must be effective and not deter from the primary focus.

Some options were briefly identified and discussed:

- 1 Public could be invited to attend the full meeting
- 2 Public could be invited for part of the meeting which would be made public

Following comments were shared by members:

- The benefit of extending invitation to members of the public
- The benefit to the public.
- Would the Board allow questions from the public and press to be tabled in advance. Questions received on the meeting day could be an issue.
- Engagement and activities involving the public throughout the year would

be of more use.

- Has this worked anywhere else?
- Agenda of meeting would need to be reflective of any changes necessary due to presence of members of the public.
- It was considered that agendas had not included any items which could not be discussed with members of the public present.
- It would raise awareness and trigger feedback like the Parish Council model. Fire Service meetings are televised.
- Gives people the opportunity to comment

Scott Green considered if the meeting should be opened up to the public and confirmed that the Sheffield Board is open to the public. Questions are known in advance and attendees confirmed. Would allow members of the public to put forward views. Suggestion was made to open up one meeting per year.

It was noted that a public meeting is being held to meet the Safeguarding Boards on 10 July.

Action: Shiv to liaise with Cath Erine to join up with the Safeguarding Boards on 10 July and work to open up the Safer Barnsley Partnership Board to the public in 2018/19 and to link this into the launch of the annual plan refresh.

5. Inter-Partnership Joint Working Protocol

Scott Green outlined the background and purpose of the joint working protocol. Each Partnership have defined priorities and in order to ensure effective collaboration and co-ordination the opportunities to collaborate have been mapped and are outlined in Appendix A – Barnsley Strategic Priority Matrix on Page 8.

It is important that the 4 Boards (Safeguarding Adults Board, Safeguarding Children's Board, Safer Barnsley Partnership Board and Stronger Communities Board) talk to each other and therefore the Chairs will meet 6 monthly to talk through themes and ensure everyone is in agreement/aware.

The matrix sets out that CSE and CSA are owned by the Safeguarding Board but that the SBP contributes.

Prevent and the Channel Agenda are owned by SBP with the Safeguarding Boards being an interested party.

The matrix sets down who owns which theme to alleviate the issue of the same documents being presented at all the Boards. Themes need to be managed at a local level to stop repetition at Board level. Each owning Board would then take their priorities forward.

Business Managers will know where the real barriers are and need to be confident that issues, at a sub group level, are being raised to the Chairs. Larger issues will be flagged up ie. CSA/CSE.

Need to cross reference re economies of scale as there are so many opportunities to work more effectively.

Action: Lennie Sahota & Phil Hollingsworth to meet and discuss further

6. Safeguarding & Radicalisation Paper

Scott Green reported that this DfE paper, prepared by academics, had been taken to the Safeguarding Children Board.

The research suggests there is an opportunity for Local Authorities to share knowledge in respect of this issue thereby ensuring that staff who are less confident in their practice are able to draw from the experiences of those who have dealt with more radicalisation cases. Best practice is through prevent where LA areas are confident in their processes and in their use of language and themes.

Action: Ben Finley / Ray Powell to present their views on this document at the next meeting before discussion takes place.

Phil Hollingsworth confirmed he chairs Prevent and is impressed with attendance and how well agencies understand the agenda. Training is taking place and strong updates given.

Action: Phil Hollingsworth to consult re the document at Prevent Silver and bring any feedback to this Board

Item noted for escalation – more training needed for Councillors re Prevent.

Sarah Poolman asked who performance manages how cases are handled? Figures need to be included in Performance Report. Not just about numbers but which interventions are working and not – Future Agenda item

7. Performance & Delivery Exception Report

Sarah Poolman confirmed there is still work to be done on the report and the intention is to have a dashboard of all the 4 Sub Groups 10 Pl's so that the Board can be given a perspective of the direction of travel in respect of PPl's. This will be included in the next quarter.

Crime -

- Incidents of burglary have increased due to dark nights etc. and a spike in Nov. Efforts are being made into reducing this through weekly meetings and early intervention activities.
- Figures re sheds and houses are now produced separately.
- There have been further reductions through February but it is accepted that cold weather does have an impact.
- Robust process in place around repeat offenders to track them down which is a good example of joint partnership working.

PVP -

- There are concerns re MARAC referrals and why these are increasing.
 A new group is being set up with IDAS to review the effectiveness of MARAC and confirm this is improving. Repeat referrals need to be looked at in more depth.
- 'Inspire to Change' launches in April led by Amanda Cullen. The
 challenge is that this is by consent only so we are reliant on people
 willing to engage in the process. Sarah Poolman confirmed she had
 asked Jayne Hellowell at PADG for data on take-up in Barnsley to review
 the impact of this. It is a 2 year programme with an extension for a
 further 2 years. Need to be sure around value for money and impact.
- Continuing to try to improve reporting on DA. Sarah confirmed that there
 was a need to focus repeat DA and she is asking Jayne to consolidate a
 robust process to reduce this.
- There is a lack of knowledge around the age of consent in JSIA and Sarah has asked Jayne to raise awareness of this as a key part of her work.

ASB

- Good news re Town Centre in respect of ASB incremental decreases and encouraging that both Paul Brannan's Team and SY Police are not seeing displacement of ASB elsewhere.
- Continued reduction of MAAGS with joint newsletters going out across neighbourhood teams and a refresh of neighbourhood profiles reviewing and strengthening the MAAGS process.
- Neighbourhood Teams have only been in place for 9 months and we are already seeing an impact. Need to build on this for next 12 months

CTR

- Tend to focus on hate crime and prevent need to deal with these issues and work with positive attributes. Working around cohesion with communities
- Membership review needed. This is a small sub group including SY
 Police Hate Crime Co-ordinator and Jayne Wise. Membership of all sub
 groups will be reviewed at the next PADG.
- Promote positive messages.

Scott Green confirmed he recognised that the Town Centre presented challenges and how this fits in with the Town Centre governance arrangements. Positive meeting was held re analysis and improving intelligence and an Action Plan has been produced re short/medium and long term. The plan is going to the Town Centre Board next week and will be brought to the next SBP meeting.

Need to decide how we want to use this resource in the Town Centre and how we mobilise. We need a proper Town Centre Team – co-located together and in uniform.

Steve Fletcher confirmed that the Fire Service is keen to be represented on all sub groups.

8. Forward Plan

A number of items have been identified for the next meeting:

- Stronger Communities Partnership update
- Youth Offending Management Board update
- In-Authority Placements & Accommodation update
- CRC Update on re-offending data
- New Police structure
- Town Centre update
- Safeguarding & Radicalisation Paper

9. Any Other Business

Wendy Lowder reported on a case study re mental health. Conversations had been held on complexity of needs and mental health and how difficult it seemed to be to access support – practitioners reporting some confusion with understanding the pathway for mental health. Whilst short term investment in mental health capacity had been introduced by the Communities Diretorate into the Safer Neighbourhood Service there was a need to improve knowledge and understanding of the service offer from mental health. Wendy Lowder has asked for an integrated pathway to be provided by SWYT who have indicated that they will work with Adult Social Care to provide.

Wendy Lowder mentioned the Safer Roads Partnership and whether this was something we should have as an information piece. Scott Green confirmed that a review was taking place at the moment and he will investigate when it would be timely to include this.

Scott Green confirmed that Jakki Hardy leaves Barnsley on Friday to join HQ in Sheffield to work on national innovation work. Chief Inspector Mark James will take over her responsibilities in the Partnership role. His Operations Chief Inspector role is being advertised. Jakki Hardy was thanked for her contributions in supporting the development of the safer neighbourhood service.

10. Date Time and Venue of Next Meeting

Wednesday, 9 May 2018 10.00am – 12.00noon Gateway Plaza, Level 4 Boardroom

ACTION SCHEDULE

Actions carried forward from meeting held on 27/11/17

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Action 1.2: Action: 'Fire Station Plus' Joint working - Steve Fletcher to supply details of collaborative events which can be built into the quarterly refresh.

Actions from meeting held on 28/02/18

Action 1.3: Safer Barnsley Partnership Plan 2018-19 Refresh - Final comments to Shiv Bhurtun by 09/03

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