



SAFER BARNSLEY PARTNERSHIP

Safer Barnsley Partnership Board Wednesday, 9 May 2018 : 10:00 – 12:00 Gateway, L4 Boardroom

Minutes

	<p><u>Attendees</u> Scott Green, Chief Superintendent – SY Police (Chair) Wendy Lowder, Executive Director Communities – BMBC (WL) Phil Hollingsworth, Service Director – Stronger, Safer & Healthier – BMBC (PH) Lennie Sahota, Service Director Adults Assess & Care – BMBC (LS) Monica Green, Service Director Children’s Social Care & Safe – BMBC (Part) Sarah Poolman, Superintendent, South Yorks Police (SP) Carrie Abbot, Service Director Public Health – BMBC (CA) Steve Fletcher, Service Group Manager, SY Fire & Rescue (SF) Linda Mayhew – SY Criminal Justice Board (LM) Amanda Cullen – SY CRC (AC) Janette Hawkins – SWYPT (JH) Darren Asquith, Berneslai Homes (DA) Cllr Chris Lamb, Elected Member – BMBC (CL) Shiv Bhurtun, Strat Gov Partnership & Transformation Manager – BMBC (SB) Jules Horsler, Equality & Inclusion Manager – BMBC (Part) Sam Goulding, Project Manager – IDAS (Part) Margaret Libreri, Service Director Education Early Start & Prev – BMBC (Part)</p> <p><u>Apologies</u> Cllr Jenny Platts, Cabinet Member Communities – Cllr Chris Lamb to attend Dave Fullen, Berneslai Homes – Darren Asquith to attend John Hallows, Barnsley Neighbourhood Watch Sean Rayner, SWYPT – Janette Hawkins to attend Liz Mills, National Probation Service Cheryl Wynn, SY Police & Crime Commissioner’s Office Mel John-Ross, Service Director Children’s Social Care & Safeguarding- BMBC – Monica Green to attend Brigid Reid, Barnsley CCG</p>
1.	Apologies and Introductions
	The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made. Apologies were received and noted from the above members. It was agreed there was no need for more than one representative from Social Care so Monica Green left the meeting at this point.
2.	Minutes and Matters Arising from the last meeting
	Page 1 <i>Action: Clarification on CCG / SWYPT representation – Remove CCG from</i>

	<p>membership just include SWYPT. The Chair also expressed his thanks in respect of Brigid Reid who retires in July. Her contribution will be missed over the whole of Barnsley – Action discharged</p> <p>Page 2 <i>Action: Steve Fletcher to supply details of collaborative events which can be built into the quarterly refresh – Information received from SF.</i> Action: Sharon Pitt to circulate document.</p> <p>Page 6 Inter Partnership protocol - Final document has now been agreed and signatures received. Next discussion is in June with Bob Dyson to iron out any issues. It was suggested that modern slavery should be included.</p> <p>Action: Ray Powell/Brendan Pakenham to present their views on the Safeguarding & Radicalisation Paper at the next meeting before discussion takes place – Agenda item</p> <p><i>Action: Phil Hollingsworth to consult re the Safeguarding & Radicalisation at Prevent Silver and bring any feedback to this Board – Paper circulated with meeting papers – Action discharged.</i></p> <p>The Chair reported that SY Police have now moved to the Connect IT system which is focussed on case management re offences which have occurred. They are the first force in the country to purchase this and the Fire Service has been invited to consider the system. It will be a good opportunity for all 4 authorities and Paul Brannan to be involved in discussions.</p> <p>Page 7 Amendment to ASB Update : second bullet point to read : Established MAAGS in town centre and strengthening other MAAGS</p> <p>Action: Sharon to amend</p> <p>The Chair confirmed that the final copy of the SBP Annual Plan has been circulated and it is proposed to launch the document as part of the ‘Meet the Boards’ event on 10 July as part of the Safeguarding Awareness week. The format of the 2 hour session has yet to be formalised. WL agreed it was a good idea to work together and suggested it would be helpful for SMT to see the Plan. It was considered the Final plan 2018-19 was a good, concise document with straight forward language and accessible to members of the public. SB confirmed that a PDR version will be available to download and paper copies will be available at the launch.</p>
3.	New Police Structure The Chair outlined the new structure and stated that previously SY Police had gone for a hybrid structure including a mixture of geographic and directorate models which had not been ideal. The new Deputy Chief Operations Officer is passionate about the geographic model and this has now been adopted which has meant a 90% restructure for Barnsley resulting in him now having a more strategic role as District Commander.

	<p>Roles confirmed as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sarah Poolman - Operations Superintendent dealing with day to day delivery and will have 3 Officers reporting to her. • Mark James - Neighbourhood policing including police assets and partnership working • Operations Chief Inspector (vacant post) – Chris Foster is Interim at the moment – in charge of response policing • DCI role – The Chair confirmed that sadly the best DCI in the county, Delphine Waring, is moving to a another role outside the district and her post is vacant. Once in place the post holder will be responsible for 3 detective inspectors. • Reactive CID – based in Churchfield will be responsible for all crime except murder. • Gary Askew - PVP - will lead a specialist workforce with a cross fertilisation of skills. This will comprise 140 people - 80 police officers and 60 civilian investigators (experienced and new people). A 1 year training programme for investigators is available with Sheffield University and will form a different route for people to join the police force. Sarah Poolman will have oversight of the team as she has a knowledge of PVP. • Proactivity DCIs – there are equivalent roles in Sheffield and Doncaster. 1 will be funded by SY Police and 1 by BMBC. This will be a real opportunity to make a difference working with partners. • Visor teams who monitor sex offenders (low level sex offenders need an annual visit). Neighbourhood police officers should undertake this as they will need a local level of knowledge. <p>This is a positive move in the right direction. WL agreed that shared strategies are moulding together with plans and resources for the future. District Commander is now in charge of local resources which is really positive. Police horses are now back in Cudworth which is a cause for celebration for the Barnsley area. The Chair also confirmed that additional special constables are now being recruited and the new Mayor Elect wants to celebrate policing in the community. Police Cadets should also be included in public events and need to be celebrated.</p>
4.	<p>Town Centre Update</p> <p>Paul Brannan shared a presentation with the Board which outlined the challenges and key issues which have been worked through over the last 18 months to assist the Council in regenerating the town centre. He will be sharing this presentation with other groups.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There have been significant spikes in ASB but by introducing additional resources there has been a steady decline and by the end of this financial year there had been a 20% reduction in recorded ASB. Attention has been focussed on the Interchange and Peel Square and information suggests that the issues have not moved on to other areas. • Town Centre Team have done considerable work and the number of repeat breaches have reduced.

- There are support pathways for those presenting with complex needs in the town centre including advice on housing, support for rough sleepers and a Mental Health Worker has been employed on a temporary basis seconded from SWYPT.
- PSPO's are used as a lower intervention tool to move people on but this doesn't provide power with persistent offenders
- CPN is used extensively and Section 1 injunctions have been used successfully. 28 civil injunctions have been secured in the last 9 months and used for persons of interest in the town centre. Breaches are treated seriously by courts and 2 recent breaches have resulted in sentences.
- Begging in the town centre is a recent problem and is seen as something which detracts from the viability of this area. A more measured approach is needed as these people are begging to feed drug and drink habits.

Moving forward it has been recognised that significant improvements in security and safety in the town centre during the day time have been made but more work is needed. Partners have met to discuss how resources can be organised more effectively and the following key actions were identified at the meeting :

- Look at how issues are case managed in the town centre.
- Organise more joint environmental volunteering sessions in the town centre. The first session involved 38 people cleaning an entire street and 4/5 sessions are planned for the year. It was suggested that offenders could be included in these sessions.
- Establish an alliance between agencies who support homeless people – the first session will be held on 18 May to move this forward.
- Co-ordinated begging campaign
- Looked at human resources we have, what is needed and also exploring the opportunity of placing an integrated team into the new Glassworks complex to show commitment to a safer town centre.
- Homeless Reduction Act - new legislation which deals with persistent and complex needs. The Act puts an emphasis on the local authority re prevention duty and how to develop partnerships and reduce numbers of homeless people.

Linda Mayhew confirmed that the SY Accommodation Sub Group is now up and running and is meeting this afternoon. There is a big issue around people coming into homelessness out of custody. She can provide data around people coming out of custody. It was reported that Doncaster Prison only gives 2/3 days notice on release of offenders and no notice is given to police to get provisions in place. Sarah Poolman confirmed this is a current challenge faced by her on a weekly basis.

The Chair thanked PB for his presentation and confirmed that resources need to be put in place for this work to continue.

5. CRC Update

Amanda Cullen shared a presentation with the Board in respect of reducing re-offending in South Yorkshire via a multi-agency partnership approach with

	<p>governance arrangements through;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the County Reducing Reoffending Steering Group (sub group of the Local Criminal Justice Board), and • the 4 Local Authority Area Community Safety Partnerships <p>focussed on :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Binary – reducing the number of individuals offending • Frequency – reducing the amount of individual offences <p>There are currently 4,786 offenders on the books with 850 in Barnsley in the cohort. 20% of people are causing 80% of problems. Gender 17% female slightly higher in Barnsley, down to mental health issues. Predominantly shoplifting, and 30-39 age range causing most of the problems. Alcohol, drugs and children being removed are dominant issues – how do we help these people? Some people are being arrested 40+ times.</p> <p>Barnsley’s offending rates are higher than Manchester which is due to external factors. Sheffield Hallam have done work which suggests Barnsley is spending less per head than other areas. For example Mental Health Greater Manchester spend £8.30 per head of population whereas we are spending £2.20 per head across South Yorkshire. The document will be shared with Board once it is finalised.</p> <p>Need commitment from all partners re looking at SAC offences and working together with a co-ordinated approach.</p> <p>The Chair stated that we shouldn’t be surprised with the scores as less is spent per head on services and recommended that once the final document is released then a dialogue should be held at a county level to take this forward. WL agreed with this course of action which will link in with Paul Brannan re complex needs management. 2 members of CRC staff work in the Hub so improvements should be seen in the future.</p>
6.	<p>Tolerance and Respect Equality Strategy</p> <p>Jules Horsler confirmed that the purpose of the report is to seek the Board’s views on the developing Equality Strategy 2018-20 outcomes and objectives, and in particular those elements to be overseen by the Community Tolerance & Respect Sub Group.</p> <p>There are 5 main equalities which come under the Safer Barnsley Board through the CTR Sub Group :</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Challenge prejudicial beliefs and actions that underpin community tensions. 2. Reducing the impact of migration in local neighbourhoods. 3. Remove barriers to volunteering for new arrivals. 4. Preventing radicalisation and violent extremism. 5. Increase provision of suitable English Language learning activities for new arrivals.

	<p>The document has been to CTR who are happy to have an oversight of this but wanted to ensure the Board were in agreement.</p> <p>The Chair asked whether BMBC is happy that CTR and the Board are chaired by police and WL confirmed this was not an issue.</p> <p>Remove barriers of volunteering – the wording was questioned and JH confirmed the question for all partners is how they are approaching volunteering. Some have a similar practice to BMBC but others have better practice to get asylum seekers into volunteering. PH was of the opinion that this equality to reduce barriers should sit under the Safety & Wellbeing Board.</p> <p>Jules Horsler confirmed the report is going to SMT for Chief Executive approval and it was agreed BMBC should take leadership of this rather than SY Police.</p>
7.	Effectiveness of Repeat MARAC
	<p>Sam Goulding confirmed the purpose of the report is to provide factual data about MARAC repeats in Barnsley since June 2017 to date, including case studies to demonstrate, in reality, the nature of repeat incidents. It will confirm where MARAC is now and the large scale improvements recognised across the whole of South Yorkshire.</p> <p>The report focusses on performance in respect of repeats. Since IDAS took over administration the data processes are now more efficient and everything is risk assessed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair meetings are held quarterly along with Rep meetings/training also held quarterly. • A working manual is being established to give an understanding of what agencies are able to bring to MARAC • There are some issues with Adult Social Care representatives not being clear about their role and what added value they bring – <i>Lennie Sahota asked that any issues should be escalated to him – Sam to action</i> • Children’s Social Care representative has been replaced and is now attending regularly, however out of 4 invited social workers only 1 from the Disability Team attended – <i>Rachel Dickinson encourages escalation if issues arise.</i> • There seems to be duplication of safeguarding particularly with High Risk cases between IDAS and SY Police SAT Team – a meeting is planned with Delphine Waring in respect of standard and medium cases. The Chair let Sam know that Delphine was moving onto another role outside the district but was interested in any recommendations on how this duplication could be reduced. Gary Askew would be the person to contact and Sam confirmed she has already spoken to him. Action : Following discussion it was agreed that Jayne Hellowell, Lead for PVP Sub Group, be given an action to identify a process re the lower level of risk • Difficulties are being experienced re DISC and Mental Health support in that any referrals taken back from MARAC cannot be actioned by the Chair as they work on a consensual basis so responsibility usually lies

	with the IDVA or CSC to encourage that consent which can create issues with clients.
8.	Youth Offending Management Board Update
	<p>Margaret Libreri confirmed the purpose of the report was to give a broad overview of the current priorities of the Youth Crime and ASB Board which is a statutory board who oversee the work of the Youth Offending Service to reduce re-offending and keep young people out of the criminal justice system.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Numbers are below 300 for the first time and the aim is to keep re-offending at around 30%. As the cohort is smaller and includes more complex cases re crimes and chaotic lives, Prevent work is as much working with the family as well as the individual. • There is concern around the increase in custody cases when compared with other parts of South Yorkshire. • There is a lot of integration between YO services and targeting youth support service who are working proactively together. Case-loads are reducing but need to continue working with these young people and ensure partners are not reducing their involvement. • Youth Justice Board has notified the partnership that grant will stay the same and the Board can continue to improve performance. • Grants have been maintained from PCC who recognise the importance of the work • Concern re reduction from Probation Service went from 2 people down to 0.5 but following discussion this is now back up to 1. • Performance and prevention is working but more work needed. <p>Good work is being done by Ben Finley and it is important that Barnsley does not get left behind.</p> <p>Sarah Poolman confirmed that the police have worked with 5 or 6 young people within the town centre to avoid criminalisation and this work is having the desired effect on young people.</p>
9.	Performance & Delivery Exception Report
	<p>SB apologies for the delay in circulating the report to the Board.</p> <p>Highlights :</p> <p>Crime : Sad to hear about Delphine Waring moving on. There has been a general reduction in residential burglary with the rise in March due to 2 offenders being released from prison. However they have both recently been arrested and charged with offences and we expect to see burglaries reduce again in April, the Issue is with SAC offences. There is a constant battle to keep on the top of low level crime and tackle core offenders and there has been some positive recent work done on this.</p> <p>PVP – NDTMS monitoring reports show that successful completions have been steadily increasing since April 2018 and are now exceeding local targets and fall within the Top Quartile ranges.</p> <p>ASB – More than 120 individuals of concern were identified and through a combination of support, engagement and robust enforcement this had been reduced to single figures. Action: SNS Update – item for next meeting.</p>

	<p>Obtained a licence to fly drones re tackling off-road biking. Barnsley is the only authority</p> <p>CTR - The first meeting of the Community Challenge Board has taken place. Operation Jabbingley – re ‘Punish a Muslim Day’ on 3 April – additional patrols were organised but no incidents occurred in the Barnsley area.</p> <p>The Chair thanked SB for a good report which shows that Priority Leads are addressing the priorities set.</p>
10.	Forward Plan
	<p>4 main items were identified for the next meeting :</p> <p>SCP Annual Plan 2018 – Shiv Bhurtun SNS update – Paul Brannan In-Authority Placements & Accommodation Update – Jon Banwell Town Spirit – Phil Hollingsworth</p>
11.	Any Other Business
	<p>No further business was identified.</p>
12.	Date of Next Meeting
	<p>Wednesday, 8 August 2018 10.00am – 12.00noon Town Hall MR2</p>