



SAFER BARNSLEY PARTNERSHIP

Safer Barnsley Partnership Board

Wednesday, 8 August 2018 : 10.00am – 12.00noon

Town Hall, MR2

Minutes

	<p><u>Attendees</u> Wendy Lowder, Executive Director Communities - BMBC (Chair) Scott Green, District Commander – SY Police Phil Hollingsworth, Service Director – Stronger, Safer & Healthier – BMBC Cllr Jenny Platts, Cabinet Spokesperson for Communities – BMBC Lennie Sahota, Service Director, Adults' Assess and Care Management – BMBC Monica Green, Head of Safeguarding & Quality Assurance – Children – BMBC Cllr Martin Dyson, Police & Crime Panel Representative – BMBC Carrie Abbott, Service Director Public Health – BMBC Ben Finley, Youth Justice Service Manager – BMBC Spencer Rowland – SY Fire & Rescue Cllr Chris Lamb, Chair - SY Fire & Rescue Authority Amanda Cullen, Director – South Yorks CRC Liz Mills, Head of Barnsley & Sheffield LDU – Prison & Probation Service Janette Hawkins – SWYPT Linda Mayhew – SY Criminal Justice Board and on behalf of OPCC John Hallows – Neighbourhood Watch/Safer Communities Forum Dave Fullen, Director of Customer & Estate Services – Berneslai Homes</p> <p><u>Apologies</u> Sarah Poolman, Superintendent – SY Police Cheryl Wynn - SY Police & Crime Commissioners Office Mel John-Ross, Service Director Children's Social Care & Safe - BMBC Martine Tune, Chief Nurse - Barnsley CCG Steve Fletcher – SY Fire & Rescue</p>
1.	<p>Apologies and Introductions</p> <p>The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made. Apologies were received and noted from the above members.</p> <p>Monica Green attended on behalf of Mel John-Ross – Children's Services Janette Hawkins attended on behalf of Sean Rayner - SWYPT</p> <p>Martine Tune (replacement for Brigid Reid) also confirmed that Barnsley CCG is currently reviewing its corporate calendar, membership and attendance at all meetings. She will contact us once decisions have been made. ACTION: Sharon Pitt to confirm details to Scott Green once available.</p> <p>Cllr Chris Lamb has replaced Cllr Burgess as Chair of the SY Fire & Rescue Authority.</p>

<p>2.</p>	<p>Minutes and matters arising from the meeting held on 09/05/18</p> <p>P.4 Linda Mayhew asked for an amendment to penultimate paragraph of Item 4 – now reads “She can provide data around people coming out of custody. It was reported that Doncaster Prison “</p> <p>ACTION: Amendment to be made</p> <p>Following which the minutes of the last meeting held on 09/05/18 were agreed as a true copy and actions dealt with as follows :</p> <p>P6 <i>Action for Jayne Hellowell</i> <i>MARAC – A report was taken to PVP Sub Group on 16/07 and a meeting is planned with SY Police in respect of low & medium risk cases – Item discharged</i></p>
<p>3.</p>	<p>Items for Information</p> <p>Our Borough Profile: now publicly available on the intranet and provides summary of landscape of borough in terms of age profile, households, social care information etc. which is broken down into areas.</p> <p>ACTION: Link to be circulated to members today and carry forward for discussion to next Board meeting – Agenda item for next meeting https://www.barnsley.gov.uk/services/our-council/research-data-and-statistics/our-borough-profile/</p> <p>Stronger Communities Annual Plan: Document has been completed and will be available on the weblink shortly. Planning to share it in paper form but there is a delay in publishing.</p> <p>ACTION: Circulate Plan to Board when published</p> <p>There is an historic overlap in the relationship between Stronger Communities and Safer Barnsley and time has been spent to make clearer distinctions between the two. Cllr Lamb chairs SCP which has been mirrored, during the last 12 months, re performance to take the same approach as SBP. Following these changes it was thought helpful that a flowchart showing SCP strategic governance be drawn up and circulated to members with the purpose of each organisation identified.</p> <p>Scott Green reported that although SCP and SBP Board minutes are sent through to the Health and Wellbeing Board this Board has no statutory oversight for either Board as they sit in their own right. Clarification is also needed around this.</p> <p>ACTION: Shiv Bhurtun to draw up SCP strategic governance flowchart and circulate to members identifying the purpose of each organisation.</p>
<p>4.</p>	<p>Prevent Update</p> <p>Phil Hollingsworth confirmed he chaired Silver Prevent and was aware that SBP had not had a formal update for the last 12 months. The recommendation is that an annual update comes into the Board to provide reassurance that the Prevent agenda is supported and being delivered within Barnsley.</p> <p>ACTION: Prevent Annual Update to be noted on the Forward Plan</p> <p>Ray Powell outlined the purpose of Prevent in that it is one part of the overall government Counter-Terrorism Strategy (CONTEST) stopping people becoming radicalised or extremist. Prevent is working well within Barnsley and being delivered successfully as indicated by the commitment and awareness amongst partner organisations.</p>

Partner organisations were asked to produce an action plan under the 6 following headings and all are being delivered reasonably well.

- Leadership
- Working together in partnership
- Developing capability
- Addressing the ideology
- Supporting the individual
- Working with institutions

Foundations were laid in 2016 and continued to be embedded throughout 2017 with support from leadership both within BMBC and partner organisations. As well as online training sessions, workshops were also delivered to BMBC Tier 1-4 Managers, Elected Members and frontline staff to bring them up to speed with their statutory responsibilities.

Channel Panel – This is co-chaired by Ben Finley and Sarah MacGillivray (Barnsley CCG) and is running really well with a commitment to training frontline staff and partners. About building up community relationships with support from mental health and safeguarding. Contest 3 – need to make sure decisions are audited in a timely way – need core members to share opinions and expertise. Home Office have commented on how well Prevent work is going in Barnsley

Brendan Pakenham then gave an update from the police management angle. SY Police Prevent Lead is working on behalf of Scott Green to manage threat and risk on behalf of the Partnership. We have seen a number of terrorism incidents over the last few years and statutory guidance and goals are in place. It is important we manage risk effectively, as early as possible, through pathway reporting with risks shared at source and assessments made in the early stages. Need to ensure colleagues working in the Hubs and Mashers understand triggers etc. in making reports. Recommendations were made in June as a result of the Parsons Green incident re training and information was shared across the county with Channel Chairs, Ray Powell, Phil Hollingsworth and principles will be embedded. Low numbers have come through to the Channel Panel, however these are quality cases. The Channel Panel is well run with Ben Finley heading up the team, and he is confident everything is dealt with to a high standard. Scott Green is confident that any risk is managed effectively.

Next steps :

- Build up capacity.
- Better integration within communities and work with third sector and voluntary organisations to raise their awareness.
- Work with Counter Extremism Co-ordinator at Barnsley who looks at promoting projects around the right wing narrative.
- Continue to reach out to Locality Teams and attending council meetings to try and develop an approach re supporting the Prevent agenda
- Look at cohesion and development – map this out to identify good practices and look at areas for further development.

Amanda Cullen reported that CRC already deliver hate crime interventions and can offer support.

ACTION: Amanda Cullen will contact her CRC colleague and ask them to attend the next SBP meeting

	<p>Monica Green reported on small groups of young men coming from abroad and being placed in the Barnsley area. There are not large numbers of children seeking asylum but they are very disillusioned and vulnerable. Not thought to be a problem at the moment but they need to be dealt with confidently. The Parsons Green incident was all about looking after young people travelling from abroad and issues around understanding what is in someone's head. Need to look at supporting mechanisms and not criminalisation. Due to low numbers in the Barnsley region we do not have the level of expertise and need skills for assessment. Staff need to be confident in dealing with vulnerable people.</p> <p>The Chair thanked partners for their support and leadership and asked for additional information to understand the reach and take-up of training across all organisations and area wards and how this translates into reality.</p> <p>Scott Green confirmed that CCG representatives attend Prevent and co-chair the Channel Panel. He noted that they had sent apologies this time due to a management re-organisation and looked forward to their attendance at the next meeting. Action – Sharon Pitt to let Scott Green have the information on meeting representation when this is received from Martine Tune.</p> <p>Scott Green also thanked Ben Finley for his fantastic work and re-iterated that Police can only Prevent when they are informed. Stakeholder and member training is important to increase public reporting.</p> <p>Scott Green confirmed he would give reassurance at the Safeguarding Boards of this discussion and Cllr Chris Lamb can report on this to SCP.</p>
5.	<p>SNS Update</p> <p>Ellie Cooper presented the report on SNS Performance and gave details of the Partnership operating process and management performance over their first 12 months. The report had been circulated prior to the meeting.</p> <p>Principles around operation are :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prevention and Early Intervention • Engagement • Tackling Crime, ASB & PVP • Demand Reduction <p>Risks & Challenges are identified – in particular:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understanding the relationship between volume demand and effort based demand. • MAAG meetings are being reviewed to focus on better attendance and suitable membership to increase early intervention in neighbourhoods. • Mental Health Support Worker has been appointed to map mental health processes • Shift in the supply chain of drugs into Barnsley Town Centre with a known street gang from out of town linking to crime related activity specifically around Holden House • Nuisance motorcycles continue to be a priority and the purchase and operation of a drone has been successful in obtaining convictions. <p>Ella also reported that Twitter posts have been sent out with positive messages but that they welcomed any advice on this.</p>

	<p>Feedback from Board members :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Homelessness</i> – is this being looked at the wrong way round – shouldn't the focus be that the high number of cases being dealt with is positive. • <i>Focus on rural crime in SY</i> – tend to focus on urban and estates, is there enough focus on rural issues? Phil Hollingsworth reported he was not aware there was a particular issue in rural areas and Scott Green confirmed there are sufficient resources west of the M1 who are the only district who operate a rural neighbourhood watch in SY. • <i>Urban Street Gang</i> – There is concern around the urban street gang coming into Barnsley Town Centre and using young people to supply drugs. Civil injunction has now taken place through Safe Child via the CSE Group. • <i>Off-road motorcycles</i> - Cllr Lamb confirmed this had been an issue in early spring at Hoyland and Birdwell and these people were a danger to members of the public. On a recent walk he met a team of officers on trial bikes who are doing effective work which is very positive. Scott Green pointed out the challenges of chasing a person under the age of 16yrs and the high risks associated with this, not only to the young person on the bike but also to members of the public. <p>The Chair thanked Ella for a good picture of their performance and thanked everyone for their contribution.</p> <p>Phil Hollingsworth agreed that after only one year they were in a good position. A baseline assessment has been carried out with Sheffield University to show the results one year in, following which reflections will be made.</p>
<p>6.</p>	<p>In-Authority Placements & Accommodation Update</p> <p>John Banwell presented this report which informs on the number of children in care placed in Barnsley from other local authorities. Although there is no national league table Barnsley takes a high proportion of the children placed. Barnsley has 16 independent privately registered children's homes plus numerous independent fostering agency placements (around 190 placed at present). Ofsted will use a 20 mile radius of a child's place of residence. A monthly report of children placed in Barnsley goes to the Safeguarding Children Board.</p> <p>Due to the private market in fostering and residential, numbers are not spread out proportionately so there are a high number of children from Rotherham and Doncaster as Barnsley has more residential homes. There is more concern around children coming from further afield. This puts significant additional pressure on local services such as CAMHS, SY Police and some local schools.</p> <p>Barnsley has very clear arrangements and processes to manage all the notifications and placements in the Borough. The numbers are recorded and reported monthly in the CSC monthly performance report that goes to the BSCB, TEG and Corporate Parenting Panel.</p> <p>If there are concerns about a young person placed in Barnsley these can be raised through Mel John-Ross (Service Director, Children's Social Care & Safeguarding) and decisions can be challenged.</p> <p>Rachel Dickinson (Executive Director – People) has communicated twice by letter with neighbouring Local Authorities advising them of local pressures to try to reduce numbers coming into Barnsley.</p>

	<p>The Chair thanked Jon for his clear report and asked for any feedback :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lennie Sahota (Service Director – Adults Assessment & Care Management) confirmed that this pressure cannot be underestimated and although we can influence through discussion we cannot say no. • Ben Finley stated that if a young person moves to another authority the original placing authority still have responsibility for them. • Scott Green confirmed that other authorities do not seem to share this responsibility and a paragraph has been added to Rachel Dickinson’s letter re the resultant pressure on SY Police. • The Chair asked what the roles of Ofsted and the PCC were re the advancing role of LA and police resources. <p>ACTION: This should be raised with the PCC.</p> <p>Cllr Platts stated that a Members briefing was held re the number of children’s residential homes in Barnsley and that cheaper housing prices contributed to the high numbers of these. It was also reported that one authority had taken a number of asylum seeking unaccompanied children and placed them with another authority.</p>
7.	<p>Town Spirit</p> <p>Phil Hollingsworth presented the report which was an update on BMBC’s intention to launch ‘Town Spirit’ and to seek partner’s support and buy-in to the approach.</p> <p>He confirmed that the Council has looked at other towns where an overarching brand has been introduced successfully to help people understand what is happening. Need to get people involved to take Barnsley forward. Soft launch process at the moment and talking to people about the concept. Asking for the Board’s support – think about how you can get involved and work with BMBC to launch this. Like to do sound bites with leaders etc. Launch date is planned for October.</p> <p>ACTION : Everyone to circulate the document to their teams for information</p>
8.	<p>Safer Roads Partnership</p> <p>Scott Green stated that as SBP is not a local authority meeting it is not fair to have this paper here today as there are issues that need dealing with outside this forum. He recommended therefore that the item should be stood down as further discussion was needed.</p>
9.	<p>Performance & Delivery Exception Report</p> <p>Phil Hollingsworth reported that changes to the recording system will affect the ability to monitor.</p> <p><i>Crime</i> – The last meeting did not take place due to a change in personnel and Paul Murphy has now taken over as Lead for the group following the departure of Delphine Waring. Performance indicators will therefore be reviewed and updated for the next quarter to better reflect measurable outcomes.</p> <p><i>PVP</i> – Numbers of referrals are expected to increase within the next quarter and numbers of repeat MARACs have reduced by 50% over a 3 month period.</p> <p><i>ASB</i> – There are negative perceptions re social media and injunctions continue to be sought re use of Spice in the town centre. There have been a number of convictions re environmental crime and work continues.</p>

	<p>CTR - A new Hate Crime Co-ordinator was appointed in early June and she is now established in her role. Discussion has taken place with Ben Finley around the YOT interface and Ben has agreed to provide a quarterly update into PADG.</p> <p>Comments/Feedback:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Lamb reported that SY Fire & Rescue are now engaged in Safe & Well activities especially where there are vulnerable people. • Linda Mayhew (SY Criminal Justice Board) had a query re ASB showing figures from a police perspective and seeing a reduction but when feedback is from communities this does not necessarily accord. Are the reports in Barnsley picking up these issues and experiencing a similar thing? Important to know what the real picture is – need to speak to people in the community. Localised data from Area Councils etc. ACTION: Phil Hollingsworth to clarify this • Lennie Sahota took objection to the comment that Adults are attending MARAC but not helping. If there are issues these need to be escalated to him, he should not have to read this in a report. • Scott Green reported that SMART CONTACT has been purchased re reporting incidents. CONNECT manages custody, investigations and case building. Things are improving and this system will be shared by 4 local authorities and SY Police and launched before 1 April 2019. South Yorkshire is the only county to be using this system. • P5 table 4 – Domestic incidents figures are inaccurate – ACTION: Scott Green to clarify with Harriet Hirst. • Following re-organisation and a request from the public, regional phone numbers are being recreated for SY Police.
10.	Forward Plan
	<p>Items identified for November meeting :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CSE/Safeguarding Update - Paul Murphy (SY Police) • Update on Re-offending Figures – Amanda Cullen (SY CRC) • Violent Crime Update – Paul Murphy • Public Meeting – Option Appraisal – Shiv Bhurtun • YOT Update – Ben Finley
11.	Any Other Business
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Early Intervention Youth Fund</i> : The document was circulated late. The 2 year Fund will provide support for early intervention programmes with young people (under 18) at risk of criminal involvement, as victims and/or perpetrators. Phil Hollingsworth will attend a meeting next week and asked whether there was any particular steer from the Board. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Scott Green asked whether some work could be done through SNS around criminal exploitation. - Ben Finley suggested work around the emerging challenge of criminal gangs coming into Barnsley. - There would be an element of match funding – how much??

	<p>Ben & Phil to discuss details before the meeting next week.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Web-link to SBP and SCP Annual Plans : insert weblinks • Web-link to State of Borough Annual JSIA survey : insert link ask Shiv ACTION: Board members to circulate to their organisations and contacts re feedback. • Probation changes – Amanda Cullen confirmed that CRC contracts are being cancelled and a document is out for consultation. There are risks with moving to a Yorkshire & Humberside model and dangers for SBP in sharing information. Consultation closes on 21 Sept. ACTION: Document to be circulated to the Board • NRJ national female offender strategy – A county-wide bid is being pulled together in terms of deferred prosecutions for female offenders and bids are being submitted re domestic abuse and women coming out of custody. Information will be circulated in due course.
12.	Date, Time and Venue of Next Meeting
	<p>Monday, 12 November 2018 10.00am – 12.00noon Town Hall, MR11</p>