Safer Barnsley Partnership Board
Monday 11th February 2019
2pm - 4pm
Town Hall MR2

Minutes

Attendees
Scott Green, District Commander – SY Police (Chair)
Wendy Lowder, Executive Director Communities – BMBC
Phil Hollingsworth, Service Director – Stronger, Safer & Healthier – BMBC
Sarah Poolman, Superintendent – South Yorkshire Police
Cllr Platts, Cabinet Spokesperson for Communities – BMBC
Cllr Lamb, Chair - SY Fire & Rescue Authority
Liz Mills, Head of Barnsley & Sheffield LDU – Prison & Probation Service
Carrie Abbott, Service Director Public Health – BMBC
John Hallows – Neighbourhood Watch/Safer Communities Forum
Andrew Sinclair, Deputy Director – SY CRC
Martine Tune, Chief Nurse - Barnsley CCG
Darren Asquith, Berneslai Homes
Erika Redfearn, Head of Governance – OPCC
Janette Hawkins, SY Liaison and Diversion Alliance Coordinator, SWYPFT
Chris Neal, Station Manager, SY Fire & Rescue
Shiv Bhurtun, Strategic Gov Partnership & Transformation Manager – BMBC

In Attendance
Joe Minton, Professional Manager, Barnsley Health and Care Together, CCG
Rebecca Clarke, Public Health Principal, BMBC
Jo Ekin – Commissioning Manager, Healthier Communities, BMBC
Diane Lee, Head of Public Health, BMBC
Tracey Binks, Business Support – BMBC (Minutes)

Apologies
Lennie Sahota, Service Director, Adults’ Assess & Care Management – BMBC
Mel John-Ross, Service Director Children’s Social Care & Safe – BMBC
Dave Fullen, Director of Customer & Estate Services – Berneslai Homes
Chris Lennox, Deputy Director Mental Health Service - SWYPFT
Jill Jinks, Business Unit Manager for Specialist Mental Health – SWYPFT
Cllr Martin Dyson, Police & Crime Panel Representative – BMBC
Steve Fletcher, Barnsley District Commander – SY Fire & Rescue
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<td>The following changes were requested to the minutes of the last meeting;</td>
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<td>- <strong>P.2 - Item 9, ASB Report</strong>: this should read that there has been a reduction in anti-social behaviour, which is attributable to improvements in crime recording practices and a genuine reduction in ASB.</td>
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<td>- <strong>P.3 - PVP</strong>: this should read that the Home Office implemented changes in April 2018, requiring forces to record stalking and harassment offences alongside the primary offence (e.g. criminal damage) if there are indications that this behaviour is part of a course of conduct. The data is expected to normalise year on year.</td>
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<td>- <strong>P.3 - Question re increase in drug offences</strong>: this should read that a tasking team (half-funded by BMBC) is looking at tackling drug dealing and organised crime by targeting intel around suppliers, rather than the street dealers, and their new Sergeant (who started in July 2018) is getting good results.</td>
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<td>Following which, the minutes were agreed as accurate.</td>
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<td><strong>P.6 - Reducing Re-offending</strong>: In response to the query around why care leavers weren’t included in the high frequency cohort, Andrew Sinclair advised that they are now being included and he will have more information for his next update.</td>
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<td>All actions have been completed and Erika Redfearn updated the group on the following;</td>
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<td><strong>P.2 - Actions from August 2018 Meeting</strong>: with regards to children’s care homes getting partners to work together, this has now been discussed at the PCC’s Countywide Community Safety Forum and is referenced in the refresh of the Police and Crime Plan 2017-2021 (renewed 2019).</td>
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<td>The Chair added that the District Commander for Doncaster has carried out some detailed work with children’s care homes, which raised concerns about</td>
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staff. Therefore, Offsted have been consulted and a memorandum of understanding put in place. The county-wide partnership has also discussed this. The Chair and Rachel Dickinson (BMBC Executive Director, People) don’t have those concerns for Barnsley, but the Board should raise any issues they come across within these meetings or via email to Scott or Rachel.

3. **Performance & Delivery Exception Report (Q3)**

The Chair announced that he would welcome feedback about the effectiveness of the this reporting system, as he felt that it had been successful in helping the Board to understand performance and challenges at a strategic level, without duplicating the work of the sub-groups. An example of this achievement is the Dark Nights campaign, which had the lowest levels of crime seen for a decade.

The Chair also noted that there had been issues highlighted around low attendance at the Crime Sub Group meetings and attendance monitoring would now be included in the report across all of the groups.

**OPERATION SCEPTRE**

Knife crime week takes place in March and it has recently come to light that knife crime was the number one concern of young people in Barnsley. This has brought about revised priorities for the Children’s Plan and a connection to this will now be built into the SBP Annual Plan 2019/20.

**DOMESTIC ABUSE**

Successful events were held over Christmas and the Speak Up Conference will take place in March. The group were asked to contact Healthier Communities if they had not received an email invitation.

**ASB**

Operation Dark Nights was a huge success, with a very low number of incidents reported. There is an ongoing public consultation about reintroducing the PSPO scheme, which will be going to cabinet shortly.

Joining Forces branding scheme will be added to the forward plan for the next meeting and the group should expect an email to ask for their views in the meantime. We are expecting a greater social media presence connected to safer neighbourhoods. There will also be a review of Safer Neighbourhood services and we are looking to reconvene this group to see if anything can be improved.

**CTR**

Tensions within communities around the Brexit negotiations were highlighted.

4. **SBP Annual Plan 2019/20 refresh update**
Shiv Bhurtun introduced the Annual Plan 2019/20 and highlighted key points as follows;

- Comprehensive information of activities accomplished.
- More connectivity with the public experience.
- ‘Plan on a Page’ section, which gives a summary of the main elements.
- Branding icons that are more recognisable to the audience in terms of activities undertaken by priority groups.
- Clear links to Town Spirit themes and young adult & children priorities.

The target for publishing is 1st April 2019.

Shiv thanked the Priority Leads and Board members for their contributions, which was reiterated by the Chair.

Erika Redfearn felt that it sits well together with the Police and Crime Plan.

Members fully supported the annual plan and gave approval to proceed to the next stage; i.e. production of a fully designed draft to be approved by the Chair.

### 5. Integrated Care Outcomes Framework

Joe Minton and Rebecca Clarke introduced the background to this scheme and noted that it had moved on significantly in the last year, but isn’t ready to be commissioned yet. It has been shared with the Health and Wellbeing board, who are keen to adopt it as an overarching framework in the long term. Joe and Rebecca are visiting all of the different partnership groups to seek comments.

The key points from today’s presentation were;

- The scheme is aligned with public health and other boards.
- It is focussed on health and wellbeing in a broader sense, not just health.
- It looks at the whole population, from infant to older person.
- Most of the measures are routinely collected already, so there is a history to benchmark against.
- The awaited update of the public health outcomes framework will have a bearing on this, which may not be positive.

Joe and Rebecca summarised the outcome measures and advised that they might change over time, but this can be a mechanism for how to contract for services and will underpin work programmes.

**Group comments**

Martine Tune was pleased that carers had been taken into account and asked if parenting and care homes for older people could be included.

**ACTION:** Martine Tune to speak to Joe/Rebecca about adding outcomes for parenting and care homes for older people
Wendy Lowder would welcome a further discussion around carers.

**ACTION:** Wendy Lowder to speak to Joe/Rebecca further about the measures for carers

The group discussed whether it was appropriate to narrow down the suicide measures to “young people”. All agreed it would be good to broaden this category to include all suicides, plus attempted-suicide.

The Chair felt that the system-wide framework would enable collective thinking about commissioning services (for example, investigating suicides isn’t currently a ‘requirement’ for the Police).

**ACTION:** Joe Minton to consider broadening the suicide measures

Wendy asked why children’s social care hadn’t been included in the outcome for high quality services. Joe replied that the CCG improvement and assessment framework doesn’t give indicators for childrens social care, but he will look into this (potential to use CQC/offsted ratings).

**ACTION:** Joe Minton to look into potential indicators for children’s social care

Cllr Lamb commented that for different partners, this is ‘business as usual’ and asked if it is still to be determined what it will look like. Joe responded that it hasn’t been decided yet.

### 6. Substance Misuse (targeted session)

#### a) Substance Misuse Presentation

Jo Ekin presented the local picture of substance misuse and what is being done to tackle it by the sub groups.

The key points were:

- 56% of estimated drug users in the Borough are accessing treatment.
- Only 14% of estimated dependent drinkers are accessing treatment.
- 1031 opiate users accessed treatment in 2018.
- A high rate of opiate users access and stay in treatment.
- Testing On Arrest figures indicate an increase in cocaine use.
- Treatment provider data has been mapped and the highest areas are central ward and Kingstone.
- The use of spice is highly visible, so seems more prevalent, but numbers are relatively small in comparison to other drug use (although these users have also started using spice).
- Mental and physical health problems also make the problems worse.
- Of those accessing treatment, a large number also have mental and physical health problems.
A multi-agency strategic response is required to tackle substance misuse.

Jo summarised that the following will be used to inform the strategic approach;

- Needs assessment.
- Comprehensive service review.
- Findings of the alcohol CLeaR Assessment.
- Other relevant documents (e.g. JSIA).
- Crime, anti social behaviour and the impact on users’ families will also be considered.

The findings from these will identify local priorities/commissioning intentions and assist in developing a multi-agency substance misuse plan.

The needs assessment and service review are planned for June 2019.

Group comments

Cllr Platts asked if the figures included the town centre. Jo confirmed this, but advised that people come in to town for several reasons (e.g. to access service providers) and not necessarily because they live there.

John Hallows reported that Neighbourhood Watch meetings regularly raise issues of young people hanging around on streets and the perception that they are drug dealing. Despite his advice to report things, he finds that people won’t call 101 due to how long it takes for the service to respond. John asked what other advice they could give to the public. The Chair advised that people should keep trying the 101 service, but report back if they are delayed for more than 5mins (they need to know the time of their call and the number they called from). People can also report directly to Police Officers and BMBC staff. Sarah suggested people email the neighbourhood teams. John felt that work is needed to inform the public that action is being taken, so that they feel reporting is worthwhile.

**ACTION:** Scott Green to contact John Hallows about advice for reporting gangs on streets/potential drug dealing

Cllr Platts offered to pass on the relevant contact details to the public.

**ACTION:** Cllr Platts to inform the public of neighbourhood team contact details for reporting of possible drug dealing

Martine Tune offered to speak to Jo Ekin’s contact at the CCG about the plan.

**ACTION:** Martine Tune to link in with Patrick Otway re substance misuse plan

Andrew Sinclair had concerns about how treatments are viewed by offenders with chronic substance misuse (they won’t engage). Jo confirmed she would be speaking to partners about issues such as this.
Sarah Poolman highlighted that substance misuse wasn’t mentioned in the outcomes framework presentation (agenda item 5).

**ACTION:** Martine Tune to feedback to Joe Minton that substance misuse needs to be added to the outcomes framework

Sarah Poolman asked if the substance misuse plan would capture people from cradle to grave. Jo confirmed she would liaise with Children’s services and commissioning to ensure inclusion.

Carrie Abbott informed the group of a recent project carried out by York Public Health, where partnerships and universities had been unable to find a solution for people who had been 6 years or more in-treatment for opiate addiction, so it is recognised that this is a difficult problem.

Wendy Lowder felt that sometimes it’s just about being there for people at the right time.

Martine Tune questioned the high statistic of people who’ve been arrested and tested positive for drug use. The Chair clarified that this is people who have been arrested, presented grounds for testing for opiate use and were tested (not everyone who’s been arrested is drug tested).

Cllr Lamb asked if other organisations would be given the opportunity to offer contributions to the strategy. Jo confirmed they would.

The Chair highlighted the difference between spice and cocaine users, in that cocaine use tends to be behind closed doors (by people with responsible jobs), whereas spice is visibly problematic.

The Chair also highlighted the sizeable challenge of tackling spice use and welcomes this plan, as arresting people isn’t the answer. At a recent spice conference, a former addict said that the key to his recovery was that the outreach service came to him (he wouldn’t have got to the town centre) and was delivered by former addicts.

**ACTION:** Jo Ekin to link in with partner agencies as above

b) **Alcohol Plan Verbal Update**

Diane Lee advised that Public Health are in the process of setting the strategic direction of tackling alcohol misuse and highlighted the key points as follows;

- Alcohol consumption has a positive effect on the local economy which needs to be balanced with the health harms.
- Consumption has doubled in the last 40 years.
- 1 in 4 people drink at risky levels.
- Liver disease is increasing.
- The impact on vulnerable people is more serious than those in affluent
areas, although the most regular drinkers are professionals so this needs to be addressed too.

- Alcohol related crime costs approximately £30 million per year in Barnsley.

There are 6 key priorities being addressed in the plan:

- Night time economy (pushing for the purple flag scheme to be implemented in September 2019).
- Availability (e.g. licensing, stopping the sale of single cans).
- Affordability (implementing a minimum unit price).
- Acceptability (e.g. drinking to get drunk).
- Admissions to hospital (data suggests young people are drinking less, but alcohol related admissions for under 18 females is an issue locally).
- Trade (promoting sensible retail and discouraging irresponsible promotions).

We have completed the CLeaR (Challenge Leadership And Results) self and peer assessment, which has resulted in an improvement plan. We are also recommending a repeat of the exercise in 18 months' time.

Diane proposed the creation of an Alcohol Alliance and asked the Board for their support and comments.

All agreed to support the Alcohol Alliance.

Martine Tune felt that communications need to reflect that young people are drinking less than previous generations, so as not to stereotype young people. Diane responded that the issue has to be addressed, because our hospital admission rates are double the regional average, but a campaign and discussion with young people will take place (avoiding encouraging more drinking). Diane will also discuss Martine’s comments with colleagues.

Wendy Lowder asked about the government alcohol strategy. Diane advised that it had been pushed back, due to Brexit, and the government has been reluctant to date to set a minimum unit price in England. There is talk of running a project in the North East and Diane will share any learning with Barnsley and Y&H.

Martine Tune asked if alcohol was the primary causative issue of liver disease. Diane responded that this was the case and they are engaging with the treatment service available in the hospital. More work is needed to analyse the data available. Wendy Lowder suggested that services could flag people who are at periods in their lives which might raise their alcohol intake (e.g. bereavement). Diane advised that harm caused by non-dependant drinkers is equally as bad.

7. **Forward Plan**

Shiv Bhurtun advised that the Performance & Delivery Group have invited
Priority Leads to put forward items for future Board meetings, so the forward plan will be more comprehensive in future.

Shiv highlighted the items for discussion at the next meeting and invited other suggestions.

Mental Health

Janette Hawkins asked what this item was about and if anyone had been approached from SWYFT. Wendy Lowder clarified that a potential mental health alliance had been discussed at the Health & Wellbeing Board. Carrie Abbott has also spoken to Diane Lee about this and will liaise with Shiv Bhurtun to bring back to Board.

**ACTION:** Shiv Bhurtun to speak to Carrie Abbott about when to put the mental health alliance on the forward plan

CCE Early Intervention

The Chair was keen to see the Child Criminal Exploitation presentation from Andy Hood at the May meeting and explained that this is a collective regional bid (led by Doncaster Children’s Trust), using funding from MMJ, which will hopefully go live in April 2019.

Homelessness Strategy

Phil Hollingsworth will bring a presentation about the ongoing work to the August meeting and the group will discuss more thoroughly at the November meeting.

Best Bar None

Carrie Abbott advised that Barnsley have won an award for Best New Scheme around alcohol licensing, which is good news for the partnership (Public Health were particularly commended).

Purple Flag

Carrie Abbott advised that another overnight assessment will take place in May and the key findings could be presented at a future meeting.

Night Life Marshalls Service

Carrie Abbott advised that they are identifying future funding and will circulate information.

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Carrie Abbott advised that there is going to be a formal national evaluation and feedback from Diane Lee has been very positive.
### Alcohol Plan

Carrie Abbott suggested that Diane Lee come back to Board with a more indepth presentation about this.

### Berneslai Realignment with SNS

Darren Asquith advised that the realignment will take full effect from the 1st April and he will bring an update to a future meeting.

### Safe & Well Checks

Cllr Platts asked if this would be useful and Chris Neal agreed to bring to a future meeting.

### 8. Any Other Business

None.

### Next Meeting;  
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