



Minutes of the Safer Barnsley Partnership Board

Monday 12 August 2019, 10:30-11:50, Town Hall MR11

ATTENDANCE

Organisation	Name	Position
BMBC (Co-Chair)	Wendy Lowder	Executive Director, Communities
BMBC Communities	Phil Hollingsworth	Service Director, Safer Stronger Healthier Communities
BMBC Cabinet Spokesperson	Cllr Jenny Platts	Cabinet Spokesperson for Communities
BMBC Adult's Care	Kwai Mo	Head of Service, Mental Health & Disability
SYP	Julie Mitchell	Acting Chief Inspector
BMBC Public Health	Carrie Abbott	Public Health Service Director
Fire & Rescue Service	Chris Mee	Station Manager, Barnsley Fire Station
Fire & Rescue Authority	Cllr Robert Frost	Chair, South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Authority
Neighbourhood Watch / Safer Communities Forum	John Hallows	Neighbourhood Watch/Safer Communities Forum Representative
Berneslai Homes	Dave Fullen	Director of Customer & Estate Services, Berneslai Homes
PCC	Marie Carroll	Partnerships & Commissioning Manager, South Yorkshire Police & Crime Commissioner
BMBC Strategy & Governance	Shiv Bhurtun	Strategic Governance Partnership & Transformation Manager

In Attendance

BMBC (minutes)	Tracey Binks	Business Support Officer
BMBC Safer Communities	Ray Powell	Cohesion & Prevent Officer, Safer Communities
BMBC ASB Sub Group	Paul Brannan	Head of Safer Barnsley
BMBC Public Health	Diane Lee	Head of Public Health
BMBC Performance Improvement	Anna Marshall	Scrutiny Officer (observing only)
BMBC Public Health	Helen Watson	Public Health Registrar (observing only)

Apologies

SYP (Co-Chair)	Scott Green	Barnsley District Commander, SY Police
SYP	Sarah Poolman	Barnsley Police Superintendent
BMBC Adult's Care	Lennie Sahota	Service Director, Adults Assessment & Care Management, People Directorate
BMBC Children's Care	Mel John-Ross	Service Director, Children's Social Care & Safeguarding, People Directorate
BMBC Education Early Start Prevention	Margaret Libreri	Service Director, Education & Early Start Prevention, People Directorate
National Probation Service	Liz Mills	Head of Probation, Sheffield & Barnsley
Community Rehabilitation	Andrew Sinclair & Luke Shepherd	Director & Deputy Director, South Yorkshire Community Rehabilitation Company
PCC	Erika Redfearn	Head of Governance, South Yorkshire Police & Crime Commissioner
Fire & Rescue Service	Steve Fletcher	Barnsley District Commander, South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Service
Police & Crime Panel	Cllr Martin Dyson	Police & Crime Panel representative
NHS Barnsley CCG	Jayne Sivakumar	Chief Nurse, Barnsley Clinical Commissioning Group
Criminal Justice Board	Linda Mayhew	Business Manager, SY Criminal Justice Board
Mental Health Service (SWYPFT)	Chris Lennox	Deputy District Director, Barnsley & Wakefield Business Delivery Unit, South West Yorkshire Partnership NHS

ACTIONS

Item	Action	Responsible	Deadline
3.1	Misquote in Chronicle hate crime article: Email Wendy Lowder with the outcome of challenging this.	Julie Mitchell / Sarah Poolman	None set
3.2	Discuss complex lives and mental health resource.	Phil Hollingsworth & Kwai Mo	None set
3.3	Raise at next PADG that Priority Leads should be ensuring attendance levels at sub groups.	Phil Hollingsworth	28/10/19
4.1	Violence Reduction Unit bid: Commence scoping of potential bids for a distributed fund.	Phil Hollingsworth & Carrie Abbott	None set
6.1	Town Centre Improvements: Bring an impact update back in 1 year.	Paul Brannan	August 2020
6.2	Joining Forces brand expansion: Bring back an update around roll-out of local business accreditation and community safety.	Paul Brannan	None set
6.3	Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour Public Perceptions Survey: Circulate survey to Board members.	Tracey Binks	19/8/19
7.1	Alcohol Plan: Bring back results of affordability impact modelling after October.	Diane Lee	None set
7.2	Correct Safe & Well Check data.	Phil Hollingsworth	Mid-Sept
7.3	Ensure insights gathered from Area Council Social Isolation commissions in respect of alcohol.	Phil Hoillingsworth & Diane Lee	None set

MINUTES

1.	Apologies & Introductions
	Introductions were made and apologies received as above.
2.	Minutes & Actions from previous meeting (21.5.19)
	<p>The minutes of the last meeting were agreed as accurate, with the following amendment requested;</p> <p><u>AOB: Probation Service</u> Sentence changed from <i>“Offenders will be brought back into the probation service and commissioning starts soon”</i> to;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All offenders will be managed by the National Probation Service. There will continue to be a role for the voluntary and private sector in delivery of interventions. Work to commission services is currently in development. <p>Actions were completed, with the following updates;</p> <p><u>Items 3.1 & 3.2 Anti Social Behaviour Perceptions Seminar</u> This action may be superseded by the PCC Violent Crime Reduction Unit workstream, which will begin to inform the public. This was discussed in item 4 of today’s agenda.</p> <p><u>Item 4.1 YOT Board Update - adjust forward plan to coincide with latest YOT data release</u> The Youth Justice data release is out of synch with the Safer Barnsley Partnership data collection and meeting timetable, but they are trialling a new local data set, which should provide more relevant results at Board updates. This will come to the November board.</p> <p><u>Item 4.2 Youth Justice Service inspection – update to come to SBP Board</u> This will be covered under one of the regular YOT updates, after the inspection has taken place.</p>

<p>3.</p>	<p>Performance & Delivery Exception Report (2019/20 Q1)</p> <p>Phil Hollingsworth presented the report and highlighted;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Burglary offences: rates have now returned to normal. • Knife crime: the rise is attributed to the intelligence-led targeted approach through robust stop-searching, rather than an increase in knife crime incidents. • New women’s centre: work is progressing, with an aim to open by the end of April 2020. In addition, there will be accommodation located around the borough for female offenders leaving prison, who are victims of domestic abuse. • Complex lives team: work is underway to continue the development of increased integration within the complex lives team, with a view to the further co-location of key agencies and continued development of the case-management approach. • Off-road biking: looking to fund a specialised off-road motorcycle, to be used by police officers in order to assist in the identification of those responsible. • Hate crimes: incidents remain low with no obvious affect from brexit, but this will continue to be monitored. • Data: the CONNECT system came into effect in December 2017, so this year’s Q1 data is now a more accurate reflection. <p>Phil pointed out an error on appendix 6.2 of the Performance Report (Agreed Performance Measures – Protecting Vulnerable People), whereby the figures in the ‘month’ columns are correct, but the totals in the commentary column are incorrect.</p> <p><u>Questions & Comments</u></p> <p>Hate crime: Dave Fullen highlighted that the Chronicle had recently published an article which stated that there had been a spike in brexit-related hate crime. This contradicts the Performance Report. Julie Mitchell advised that SYP are aware of the article, in which they were misquoted, and Sarah Poolman is addressing this.</p> <p>ACTION 3.1: Julie Mitchell/Sarah Poolman to email Wendy Lowder with the outcome</p> <p>New women’s centre: Cllr Platts noted concern over the location, due to the Dearne being a difficult area to reach. Phil confirmed that the accommodation chosen was the best available during the given timescale and transport was considered in the plan. It was found to be as easily accessible as elsewhere in the Borough.</p> <p>Complex lives team: The Chair felt it would be helpful for the Board to have a briefing on progress to date. The challenges in achieving a solution to the continued integration of mental health resource into the team were shared with the Board. A dialogue with the Clinical Commissioning Group and the Mental Health provider (SWYPFT) has been scheduled to seek a resolution, and the Police & Crime Commissioner is also to be approached for potential funding. It was suggested that, now that adult social care mental health practitioners have returned to the council, a dialogue between adult social care and SNS is opened. A business case is also being worked up to aid these discussions.</p> <p>ACTION 3.2: Phil Hollingsworth/Kwai Mo to discuss complex lives and mental health resource</p> <p>Sub Group attendance monitoring: The Chair noted the usefulness of the attendance monitoring tables which have been added to the Performance Report and asked everyone to reflect on whether their departments are supporting the sub groups appropriately. She asked for the Performance and Delivery Group to ensure high level of participation.</p> <p>ACTION 3.3: Phil Hollingsworth to raise at next PADG that Priority Leads should be ensuring high attendance levels at sub groups</p>
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<p>4.</p>	<p>Violence Reduction Unit (VRU) Bid</p> <p>Marie Carroll briefed the group on the proposed allocation of Home Office funding towards reducing violent crime and highlighted the following;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some of the funding will be allocated to enlist more Police Officers. • Some will be used to create Violence Reduction Units, which will adopt a “public health” approach to addressing serious violence. • Funding will be used to; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Scale up existing good practice models. ○ Develop new projects, with a view to analysing, assessing and building business cases for the most successful to roll out county-wide. ○ Enhance partnership arrangements (physical resources) to lay the foundations of a sustainable multi-agency approach for future years. • An Elected Members Reference Group met for the first time in July. • A VRU Strategic Board has been established and commences on the 2nd September. • Engagement with stakeholders has taken place, although this was slightly limited due to the short timescale given. • The bid was submitted on time and a decision is expected this afternoon. <p><u>Questions & Comments</u></p> <p>Cllr Platts confirmed that she is involved in the Elected Members Reference Group.</p> <p>Phil Hollingsworth asked if there were any specific new projects proposed at this stage. Marie confirmed that some are included in the bid and there will be a grant scheme (overseen by the Strategic Board) which other proposed projects can apply to.</p> <p>The Chair asked if the Home Office would allow any roll-over of funds post-2020, but Marie clarified that they have been very explicit about not carrying funding forward.</p> <p>The Chair was keen for the Safer Barnsley Partnership to work with the PCC to align outcomes with the Forward Plan and Marie confirmed that there would be a Local Partnership Co-ordinator (Rachel Staniforth) and that other staff posts may be based at local levels, to ensure full benefit.</p> <p>ACTION 4.1: Phil Hollingsworth & Carrie Abbott to commence scoping of potential bids for a distributed fund</p>
<p>5.</p>	<p>PREVENT annual update</p> <p>Ray Powell presented a report on how partnership working is reducing the risk of vulnerable individuals being exploited for the purposes of radicalisation, extremism and terrorism (part of the Government Counter-Terrorism Strategy). Highlights included;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The PREVENT programme is still being successfully delivered and continually monitored. • A new category has been added to the assessment of the action plan, specifically focusing upon addressing risks within communities. • Following a recent consultation exercise, partner organisations have developed actions, which will form part of the refreshed plan. • Workshops have been extended to key community support organisations. • Training sessions are being arranged for elective members to raise awareness. <p>Ray reported on the current risk in Barnsley which is being addressed by;</p>

- improved security to public and internal Wi-Fi network infrastructure,
- radicalisation being regularly discussed at the appropriate forums,
- quarterly reviews of referral levels being undertaken
- and work being carried out with Children’s Safeguarding to ensure assessment threshold levels reflect need.

Questions & Comments

The Chair highlighted the following key points for Board members to consider;

- How we embed PREVENT into assessments (Children & Adults Social Care) via Nina Sleight and Kwai Mo.
- How we might raise greater understanding of the counter terrorism profile.
- How to coordinate specific workstreams around vulnerability and ask questions to understand the path individuals have followed to become susceptible, possibly via a Public Health approach.
- What we can learn that helps us be reassured the way services are arranged will reduce the flow of people through the system (right place, right time).

The Chair thanked the PREVENT team for their work, as this is an example of national good practice and involvement in the peer network is helpful.

6. Town Centre Improvements – launch update

Paul Brannan presented a report around the Joining Forces work and displayed examples of the branding. Key points included;

- The launch of the Joining Forces brand took place on the 7th August, which is intended to address public perception about safety in the Town Centre.
- A team of uniformed services (police, market staff, parking, environmental enforcement) have been coordinated into the Glassworks building.
- Branding will be rolled out beyond the Town Centre as part of community safety agendas.

Questions & Comments

The Chair confirmed that the launch was a success and attracted good coverage on social media.

Phil Hollingsworth thanked the team for their hard work, as this has now increased Barnsley’s profile. He suggested it would be good to review the impact in a year’s time.

ACTION 6.1: Tracey Binks to add a one year impact update to the Forward Plan

Paul recommended that the next step would be to explore expansion of the brand across communities and to offer accreditation to businesses who want to become partners. All agreed. The Chair felt that extending the branding across communities would also help to reinforce the message of safety in Barnsley.

ACTION 6.2: Tracey Binks to add an update to the Forward Plan (roll-out of local business accreditation and community safety)

Phil announced that the Safer Barnsley Partnership “Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour Public Perceptions Survey” is now live and encouraged members to promote as widely as possible. This closes on the 3rd September.

	ACTION 6.3: Tracey Binks to circulate the survey link
7.	Alcohol Plan in-depth
	<p>Diane Lee presented an update on progress of the Alcohol Plan, which was supported by the Board at the February 2019 meeting.</p> <p>Key progress;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purple Flag: Application will be submitted in October and peer assessment is expected in November. • Best Bar None: Judging has taken place and there was an increase in accreditations on the previous year. Next year's scheme aims to secure 70% of all Town Centre licensed premises. • Night Life Marshalls: Evaluated very well and further funding is secured up to July 2020. The new Joining Forces brand will also apply to this. • Affordability: The minimum unit price has been the most impactful intervention. The University of Sheffield have carried out impact modelling, from which local results are expected in October. • Acceptability: Barnsley will be trialling the new Public Health England brand - "It's ok not to drink". • Children & young people: Barnsley's rates of alcohol-specific admissions are undergoing a retrospective audit by A&E doctors and electronic survey of all A&E staff. • Alcohol Alliance: Have met for the second time and there is a lot of interest from partners. The latest meeting focussed on older people, fire risk and unmet needs. • Data: Alcohol-specific admissions seem to be increasing, so the alliance are mapping against GP practice areas to look at bigger issues and the primary care offer. Under-18s admission is reducing. <p>ACTION 7.1: Diane Lee to bring back results of impact modelling after October</p> <p><u>Questions & Comments</u></p> <p>Phil Hollingsworth felt that this links well with the Integrated Wellbeing Team and could be taken forward at locality meetings.</p> <p>The Chair felt there would be value in looking at area council commissions to support older people who are socially isolated (discuss the understanding of these prescribers and explore where alcohol features).</p> <p>The Chair noted that the Safe & Well Checks referral data isn't accurate. Once this has been corrected, it would be possible to question gaps in referrals from certain areas.</p> <p>ACTION 7.2: Phil Hollingsworth to correct Safe & Well Check data by mid-September</p> <p>ACTION 7.3: Phil Hoillingsworth & Diane Lee to ensure insights gathered from Area Council Social Isolation commissions in respect of alcohol.</p>
8.	Forward Plan
	The Chair asked members to contact Shiv Bhurtun/Tracey Binks if they would like to add anything.
9.	Any Other Business

The following papers were circulated for information and there were no questions or comments from the group;

- Ministry of Justice public consultation 'Strengthening Probation, Building Confidence' response letter
Presentation to be scheduled for a later date
- Youth Justice Plan 2019/20
Signed off in July, performance to be reported in November
- Information Sharing Protocol update + appendix
Updated to reflect GDPR requirements (review in 12 months)

Neighbourhood Watch

John Hallows emphasised the importance of complying with email etiquette, as this ensures less likelihood for miscommunication. All acknowledged the value and importance of this as a partnership working across the sector.

Date & Time of Next Meeting:	Monday 11 th November 2019 2pm to 4pm Town Hall MR11
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