

Minutes of the Safer Barnsley Partnership Board

Monday 8th March 2021, 10:15am to 12:15pm, via Microsoft Teams

ATTENDANCE		
Organisation	Name	Position
BMBC (Chair)	Wendy Lowder	Executive Director, Adults & Communities Directorate
BMBC	Phil Hollingsworth	Service Director, Safer Stronger Healthier Communities
SYP	Cherie Buttle	Superintendent, South Yorkshire Police
BMBC Cabinet Spokesperson	Cllr Jenny Platts	Cabinet Spokesperson for Communities
BMBC Adult's Care	Jacqui Atkinson	Service Manager, Adults Social Care & Wellbeing, Communities Directorate
BMBC Children's Care	Deborah Mercer	Service Director, Children's Social Care & Safeguarding, People Directorate
BMBC Early Start	Nina Sleight	Service Director, Education, Early Start & Prevention, People Directorate
Police & Crime Panel	Cllr Anita Cherryholme	Police & Crime Panel representative
BMBC Public Health	Carrie Abbott	Public Health Service Director
Fire & Rescue Service	Steve Fletcher	Barnsley District Commander, South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Service
Fire & Rescue Authority	Cllr Robert Frost	CSP Representative, South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Authority
Criminal Justice Board	Linda Mayhew	Business Manager, South Yorkshire Criminal Justice Board
Neighbourhood Watch / Safer Communities Forum	John Hallows	Neighbourhood Watch/Safer Communities Forum Representative
Berneslai Homes	Tony Griffiths	Housing Management Group Manager
Mental Health Service (SWYT)	Jill Jinks	Business Unit Manager for Specialist Mental Health
BMBC Strategy & Governance	Shiv Bhurtun	Strategic Governance Partnership & Transformation Manager
In attendance		
BMBC Minute Taker	Tracey Binks	Business Support Officer
BMBC COVID Response	Haydn Frost	Response Coordinator, Safer Neighbourhood Service, Communities Directorate
BMBC Highways	Matt Bell	Head of Highways & Engineering
NHS Barnsley	Patrick Otway	Head of Commissioning, Barnsley CCG

BMBC Minute Taker (observer)	Helen Ibbotson	Business Support Officer
Apologies		
SYP (Co-Chair)	Sarah Poolman	Barnsley District Commander, South Yorkshire Police
BMBC Adult's Care	Julie Chapman	Service Director, Adults Social Care & Wellbeing, Communities Directorate
Community Rehabilitation	Andrew Sinclair	Deputy Director, South Yorkshire Community Rehabilitation Company
National Probation Service	Nick Hamilton- Rudd	Head of Probation, Sheffield & Barnsley
Berneslai Homes	Dave Fullen	Director of Customer & Estate Services, Berneslai Homes

ACTIONS

Item	Action	Responsible	Deadline
4.1	Performance Report: Review the challenges in securing SYP intel mentioned in the Q3 Performance Report and coordinate a specific summary of impediments preventing this, via Sub Group updates in the Q4 report.	Cherie Buttle	28/04/2021
4.2	Performance Report: Expedite a report on what we expect the VRU to achieve over 2021/22 and send to Cllr Platts before the next VRU Elected members meeting (and circulate to Board members).	Phil Hollingsworth	ASAP (& circulate with Board minutes)
4.3	Performance Report: Liaise with the new VRU Coordinator to ensure that future VRU updates in the Performance Report include detail on actions delivered, clearly identified against the six themed areas of the VRU action plan.	Phil Hollingsworth	28/04/2021
5.1	SBP Annual Plan: Consider a review of the SBP website.	Shiv Bhurtun	07/06/2021
6.1	Safer Roads: Feedback on how hit and run information is collated/scrutinised and whether organised events resulting in ASB have increased. Cherie to report back via Sub Group updates in Q4 Performance Report.	Cherie Buttle (& Matt Bell)	28/04/2021
8.1	Arrange for a drill-down report on substance misuse to come to a future meeting (via the PVP Sub Group) due to the number of developments taking place (e.g. new strategy, national pilots, etc.).	Jayne Hellowell	tbc
9.1	SBP ToR: Identify a named deputy who can attend SBP Board meetings in their absence and email saferb-strongerc@barnsley.gov.uk with their name, job title and contact details.	All members	26/04/2021
10.1	Forward Plan: Discuss development of risk assessment documentation for the SBP Board with Shiv Bhurtun/Rob Winter.	Phil Hollingsworth/ Cherie Buttle	07/06/2021

MINUTES

1	Apologies & Introductions
	The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologies were received as above.
2	Lived Experience Case Study: Mobilising the COVID response and utilising intel
	<p>Haydn Frost gave a presentation, introducing the resources being utilised and joint-working taking place in the COVID response team.</p> <p>Haydn demonstrated situations that the COVID Marshals have been assisting with and introduced a case study of a family which had tested positive for COVID, but were still carrying on with normal activities within the community and at work. Key points were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quick response from SNS/SYP colleagues. • Intelligence not received until after isolation period already ended. • Household refuted claims and were evasive regarding their place of work. • Not possible to obtain public health data, as place of work was outside Barnsley. • Action taken was; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ to ensure the household were aware of any support they could access; ○ to confirm their understanding and carry out repeat visits; ○ to issue a warning to the household, and; ○ to check local facilities frequented by the household were COVID-secure. <p><u>Q&A</u></p> <p>The Chair commented that this was a good example of the power of partnerships and how important timely intel can be.</p> <p>Cllr Platts advised that, when someone tests positive, they generally receive messages ensuring they are staying at home. Haydn responded that the team try to establish what drives people to still leave the house and the broader impact on the community.</p> <p>Phil Hollingsworth highlighted that the effectiveness of the COVID Marshals has been noticed and funding is being monitored in relation to recovery arrangements.</p> <p>John Hallows asked for contact details that the public can use to report concerns. Haydn provided the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ COVID Marshal's mailbox = COVIDmarshals@barnsley.gov.uk ○ Out of hours phone number = 07786525148
3	Minutes & Actions from previous meeting (30.11.2020)
	<p>The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed as accurate and actions completed, with the following updates;</p> <p><u>4.1 Domestic abuse face-to-face referral appointments should be increased</u> It has been confirmed that IDAS have been offering a range of support options, so there are no concerns. Action discharged.</p>

4.4 & 4.5 VRU update in Performance Report: describe actions delivered in more detail and clearly identified against the six themed areas of the VRU action plan

This ask will be reiterated for next quarter (see item 4 on today's agenda for actions).

4.6 Explore victim to perpetrator pathways in more detail

The Vulnerable Adults Panel has been reviewed to identify any missed opportunities and will continue to be monitored. Action discharged.

8.1 Discuss relationship between Youth Justice good practice and other parts of the system

A meeting took place to discuss how stronger links could be made between the VRU, SBP and Children's Services. Gaps, such as not having a children's representative on the VRU, were identified and key links are being made. Action discharged.

4 Performance Update Q3 2020/21 (including VRU & COVID impact)

Phil Hollingsworth presented the performance report and highlighted the following:

Crime

- The impact of COVID continues to be monitored.
- Improved attendance seen at the Crime Sub Group this quarter.
- VRU "Mentors in Violence" programme being re-profiled to outreach work.

In addition to the Performance Report, the following was announced:

- The VRU Officer will change shortly.
- Granular data is now available by locality, enabling the development of a locality-specific pack.
- A new Cross-border Safer Streets Home Office bid is being considered.

PVP

- Looking to establish consistent benchmarks for domestic violence data.
- A gap period in the Perpetrator Programme is anticipated, following failed procurement.
- Recruiting a dedicated officer to take implementation of the new Domestic Abuse Bill statutory duties forward from April 2021.
- Exploring new drug treatment funding with partners, as and when details emerge.

ASB

- The Victim and Witness Support Officer would be a good case study to hear about as a future 'Lived Experience' agenda item.
- Looking to mitigate the reduction in Police Community Support Officers with planned recruitment of Neighbourhood Wardens and reconfiguration of the Safer Neighbourhood Services teams.

CTR

- Sub Group has seen a significant shift, with new leadership.
- The group's plan will come to the next meeting to give an understanding of focus.

Q&A

	<p>The Chair noted the challenges in securing intelligence mentioned in the report and Cherie Buttle offered to investigate this.</p> <p>ACTION 4.1: Cherie Buttle to review the challenges in securing SYP intel mentioned in the Q3 Performance Report and coordinate a specific summary of impediments preventing this, via Sub Group updates in the Q4 report.</p> <p>There was a discussion around the progress against the VRU action plan and it was agreed that an update would be useful before the next meeting.</p> <p>ACTION 4.2: Phil Hollingsworth to expedite a report on what we expect the VRU to achieve over 2021/22 and send to Cllr Platts before the next VRU Elected members meeting (and circulate to Board members)</p> <p>ACTION 4.3: Phil Hollingsworth to liaise with the new VRU Coordinator to ensure that future VRU updates in the Performance Report include detail on actions delivered, clearly identified against the six themed areas of the VRU action plan</p> <p>John Hallows reported a broken link in terms of not having a dedicated SYP SPOK officer and is meeting with the CTR Priority Lead to discuss.</p> <p>Tony Griffiths asked if it was known what impact the new domestic abuse bill would have on demand for accommodation. Phil Hollingsworth responded that the implications will be explored in a partnership context and picked up through the PVP.</p> <p>The Chair asked if there was more that could be done to encourage homeless people to get in touch with services earlier. Phil Hollingsworth highlighted to partners the preventative duty in the Homelessness Act to refer people in early. Also, as part of the recovery plan, 14 accommodation units will be available in Barnsley from May 2021 with in house support aligned.</p> <p>Linda Mayhew added that Yorkshire & Humber is one of five areas selected to receive additional funds aimed at trying to improve the infrastructure of offender accommodation. An event will take place later this month to look at the journey (from police custody, through to prison leavers).</p>
5	<p>2021/22 Safer Barnsley Partnership Annual Plan</p>
	<p>Shiv Bhurtun introduced the refreshed Annual Plan and advised that the priorities for 2021/22 remain the same as this year.</p> <p>The plan was ratified by the group.</p> <p>ACTION 5.1: Shiv Bhurtun to consider a review of the SBP website</p>
6	<p>Safer Roads Partnership Update & Annual Plan</p>
	<p>Matt Bell gave a presentation on progress in Barnsley, since the South Yorkshire Safer Roads Partnership (SRP) was invited to the SBP Board last year. The presentation will be circulated and key points were:</p>

- The results of the 2019 SRP Road Casualty Report were explained.
- New hotspot data is proving useful (including older driver data).
- The SRP 2022-2023 strategy has been shaped by stakeholder workshops and interventions planned to achieve its vision of Zero Deaths.
- Planned local initiatives were outlined and areas are currently being identified for pilots.

Q&A

Nina Sleight offered to promote the pilots within secondary schools and Carrie Abbott advised that Public Health are working to input into this agenda.

Cllr Platts raised an issue of speed limit lights outside schools and Matt encouraged anyone to contact him with specific issues such as this.

Phil Hollingsworth asked the following:

- Is any work taking place on comparing geographical intelligence on insurance figures on hit and run figures?
 - Response: We are challenged on how hotspots are identified and are looking to take this forward.
- Whether the data on hit and runs includes cases that are subsequently detected?
 - Response: Matt will ask SYP colleagues how this information is collated and scrutinised.
- Is there any movement on organised events that result in ASB?
 - Response: They are happening in known locations, but don't seem to be getting more frequent. Matt will check latest stats with colleagues at SYP.

The Chair invited Cherie Buttle to comment, who offered to feedback on this.

ACTION 6.1: Cherie Buttle (& Matt Bell) to feedback on how hit and run information is collated/scrutinised and whether organised events resulting in ASB have increased. Cherie to report back via Sub Group updates in Q4 Performance Report.

7	<p>OPCC Community Safety Award</p> <p>Phil Hollingsworth presented a report explaining progress on the projects identified from re-profiling of the 2020/21 budget, as agreed at the last Board. Some of these interventions have had set-backs due to COVID restrictions, but have progressed as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Public Health training and support for those facing deteriorating mental health and bereavement has been commissioned. • Initial setup is underway for the Yorkshire Mentors programme to work with school children at risk of being drawn into extremism. • Crime prevention and confidence building in Thurnscoe and Goldthorpe is being implemented, pending outcome of longer-term investment. <p>Recommendations for the 2021/22 grant include further allocations to;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ the mentoring programme, and;
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ the Neighbourhood Justice Coordinator and Serious & Organised Crime Coordinator posts which commence this month (11 months behind schedule). <p><u>Q&A</u></p> <p>Members agreed with the proposals outlined in the report.</p>
8	Youth Justice Service-related NHS waiting times
	<p>Patrick Otway presented a report and data, following a request at the February 2020 Board to look at NHS service waiting times for individuals on Youth Justice Service pathways.</p> <p>Progress since last year:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ There has been increased investment into NHS services and waiting times are now down to approximately 2 weeks (sustained for the last 6 months). ○ Sensory assessment waiting lists are now cleared, as it was found that group sessions were effective. This approach is being continued. ○ Several CAHMS initiatives have been funded and the waiting list has reduced. The new practitioners based within the Youth Offending Team are in place to offer immediate support. <p>Next steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Review of speech and language services will take place once the vaccination process is complete. ○ Lots of proposals are planned to ensure funding remains in place for the CAHMS initiatives, to prevent further backlog. <p>Patrick offered to bring an update around the CAHMS proposals to a future meeting.</p> <p><u>Q&A</u></p> <p>The Chair highlighted the huge amount of progress and partnership effort and Nina Sleight added that it's important to understand the opportunities and challenges of COVID going forward.</p> <p>The Chair referred to the number of developments taking place with regards to substance misuse (e.g. new strategy, national pilots, etc.) and proposed that it would be helpful for the Board to be sighted on them.</p> <p>ACTION 8.1: Jayne Hellowell to arrange for a drill-down report on substance misuse to come to a future meeting (via the PVP Sub Group)</p>
9	Safer Barnsley Partnership Board Terms of Reference annual review
	<p>Shiv Bhurtun presented the revised document for information and asked members to identify a named deputy who can attend Board meetings in their absence. This person will be added to the membership list, as required by the Terms of Reference, and should be able to contribute/make decisions on behalf of their organisation.</p>

	ACTION 9.1: All to identify a named deputy who can attend SBP Board meetings in their absence and email saferb-strongerc@barnsley.gov.uk with their name, job title and contact details
10	Forward Plan
	<p>The Chair asked members to contribute items for the SBP Forward Plan and the following will be added:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Victim & witness support case study for the Lived Experience item (ASB). ○ Update on changes to Probation Services (Linda Mayhew). ○ Risk assessment documentation for the SBP Board. <p>ACTION 10.1: Phil Hollingsworth/Cherie Buttle to discuss development of risk assessment documentation for the SBP Board with Shiv Bhurtun/Rob Winter</p>
11	Any other business
	None.
	<p>Future meetings: Monday 7th June 2021, 10am to 12pm, Microsoft Teams Monday 13th September 2021, 14:15 to 16:15, Microsoft Teams</p>

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