

Community Safety Partnership Board Minutes

Wednesday 04 July, 10.00-12.30pm

Barking Learning Centre, Conference Room

Present: Fiona Taylor (Chair), Councillor Margaret Mullane, Jonathon Toy, Stephen Thompson, Stephen Norman, Sean Wilson, Sharon Morrow, Sonia Drozd, Hazel North-Stephens, Pip Salvador-Jones, Rita Chadha, Daniel James, Angie Fuller, Steve Calder, John Cooze, Katherine Gilcreest, Jennie Coombs and Suzanne Nidai.

Apologies: Greg Tillett, John Goodwin, Shabnam Chaudri, Hamera-Asfa Davey, Melody Williams, Tara Poore, Matthew Cole and Carol Douch.

Minutes: Jade Hodgson, Community Safety Policy Officer

Minutes

1. **Introductions and Apologies for Absence**

The chair welcomed everyone to the Board and introductions and apologies were noted. Councillor Mullane was introduced and welcomed as the new portfolio holder and cabinet member for Community Safety and Enforcement and Jennie Coombs was welcomed as the new BeFirst representative.

2. **Declarations of Interest, Minutes and Action Log**

No declarations of interest were noted. Minutes from March's CSP board were confirmed as correct.

The action log was reviewed, and the following actions were added.

ACTION: All organisations to send current information sharing agreements to Jade Hodgson for members to review.

ACTION: Information sharing agreements to be added to the forward plan for the CSP board (September board to be confirmed).

ACTION: Sean Wilson to share the Gang and Knife Crime action plan with CSP members.

3. **Subgroup Updates**

The Hate, Intolerance and Extremism subgroup have not met since the last CSP board in March 2018.

Children and Young People (CYP)

Angie Fuller provided an update to board members on the progress of the CYP subgroup. Two meetings have been held since last CSP board.

1. An exceptional meeting was held with partners to focus on the production of the Self Inspection Framework in preparation for the new inspection framework visit. Two youth offending teams (YOT) have had the new inspection framework. CYP members are arranging meetings to help prepare staff and CSP members for potential interviews.
2. Overall actions are on track, the subgroup is in the process of signing off the annual youth justice plan (YJP), which will form a new set of actions for the CYP inclusive of the CSE targets.

Current issues are as follows;

- Challenges are young victim targets and utilising at risk matrix.
- Lack of a strong process of information sharing from the police to the youth at risk matrix. It is important that the CYP subgroup are getting all of the information on the young people who have been victims to prevent them from coming into the criminal justice system.

ACTION: Angie Fuller and Dan James to provide changing demographic breakdown and profiling of young people involved in criminal behaviour to board members.

Managing Offenders

Suzanne Nidai updated board members on behalf of Greg Tillett.

- An action plan is to be set for the subgroup.
- A request has been put forward for Barking and Dagenham and Havering Managing Offenders to be merged.
- Clarification on funding around commissioning interventions for youth violence to transfer young people to adult services is required.

Jonathon Toy supports the proposal for the subgroups to merge as this will support further strategic input and decision making. The chair opened this to the board and board members agreed the merger of the subgroup.

Safer Borough Board (SBB)

Jonathon Toy gave an update on the progress of the SSB. The following points were highlighted;

- Good progress is being made across the partnership including the work carried out through Operation Mexico.
- Increase in the number of penalty change notices (PCN's) through the introduction of the public spaces protection order (PSPO).
- A weekly operational meeting is also held to identify how the resources in enforcement are used, this meeting has good representatives from all organisations.
- There is positive ongoing work with the London Fire Brigade (LFB) around fire safety

Challenges for the subgroup are as followed;

- Perception of safety, we need to ensure we have a strong communications plan to support and manage who we deal with the issues.
- Lacking an intelligence product, conversations are being had to employ an intel analyst who is vetted to access police data.

Pip Salvador Jones expressed concerns that the number of hate crime referrals to the CVS have dropped.

Steve Thompson noted that the Safer Neighbourhood Board (SNB) have seen an increase in the rolling trend of burglary which is contradictory to the SBB data. Operation Mexico lead has been asked to attend the SNB open public meeting to talk through data. Dan James advised that data statistics outcomes depend on when the data is measured, work is being done to ensure that data is more transparent.

Stephen Norman advised that the board need to ensure that a partnership approach rather than Crime and Disorder agenda is the focus and that all areas of Community Safety are addressed.

ACTION: Jonathon Toy to share data around crime activity in local areas in relation to the Safer Borough Board update.

ACTION: Jade Hodgson to add Fire Safety to the forward plan for the CSP board (September board to be confirmed).

ACTION: Katherine Gilcreest to look at Hate Crime Referrals and report back to the CVS on why referrals have decreased.

ACTION: Sean Wilson to look into data and base line figures for burglary including when the data has been measured and report back to the CSP board.

Violence against Women and Girls (VAWG)

Hazel North-Stephens updated members on behalf of Melody Williams around the progress in VAWG subgroup.

- The last 6 months have focused on producing the VAWG strategy, the production of the strategy has been linked in with the Health and Wellbeing Board.
- The strategy focuses on educating, communicating and lived experiences and also challenging abusive behaviour.
- VAWG are exploring setting up an advisory group.
- VAWG are making use of community room at the LFB through advanced Minerva to support people who are experiencing multiple problems.
- VAWG work is tying in with the local Safeguarding Adults Board (SAB) by developing a pathway for modern slavery with the support for the LFB.
- Funding pots are being sought to focus on young people as a result from the Priority review. The review drew on the ACE'S which is picked up through the work delivered through the trauma model.
- Police has agreed VAWG can use the data dashboard however there are challenges with FGM data.
- The VAWG will be reviewing commissioning cycles into August and welcome input from CSP members.

Members of the board requested to be updated on the work carried out around modern day slavery as the learning will be useful for the board and its members.

Rita Chadha noted that we need to ensure a multi-agency approach is agreed for how we pull together bids for funding streams.

4. Safer Neighbourhood Board Update

Steve Thompson updated members on the SNB closed meeting that was held of 31 May 2018. The chair highlighted the following;

- Concerns around the declining number of stop and search in the borough. Despite assurance that there would be an increase figures do not reflect this.
- Number of extra support services have been introduced however stop and searches have not seen an increase.
- Evidence that a lot of people feel they are being stop and searched but this may be stop and account.
- Mayor advised there would be an increase but not seeing this in Barking and Dagenham.
- Community payback highlighted to the SNB that they don't feel they are getting the correct level of support from B&D Council.
- Upon review stop and searches are carried out in a professional manner.

Sean Wilson advised that stop and searches have not increased however there has been an increase in the number of weapon sweeps and section 60's. Training is being provided to teach officers the legalisation around stop and searches and training on when to confidently engage. Steve Thompson responded that most stop and searches are carried out by the estates team, the increase in confidence should be improved through body worn cameras.

ACTION: Sean Wilson to provide a report to the SNB on police stop and searches. Report also to be presented to the CSP board.

ACTION: Jade Hodgson to add Stop and Search report to the CSP forward plan (Date to be agreed).

ACTION: CSP (member to be agreed) to look into support for Community Payback and liaise with Steve Thompson.

5. Performance Report

Dan James updated CSP members on the performance report, it was highlighted the data is up until April 2018. The following points were noted;

- Several interactive dashboards are now available on MOPAC website for use.
- Number of indicators are still in working progress.
- Developing reoffending and victimisation rates, this data will be available in upcoming month.
- The performance challenge sessions conducted with subgroup chairs will create additional indicators.

6. Public Spaces Protection Order

Katherine Gilcreest updated members on the progress of the Heathway PSPO. The consultation with residents on the introduction of a PSPO to cover Heathway ran from February-March 2018. The main points are as followed;

- Over 3,000 households were consulted with a response from 11% in favour of the proposal.
- When the consultation started the council were receiving a high number of complaints around street drinking, begging, urination.
- The public were in support of a PSPO.
- Consultation with members who were responsible for those wards, who supported the order.
- Details on consultation and responses can be found in 5.2 and 5.3 of report.
- Website consultation but people have opportunity to click more than one answer which is why numbers do not add up in report.

It was challenged whether there are the correct levels of enforcement to implement the PSPO. Police leads will need to look at planning resources to ensure that the PSPO are effective. At present residents do not feel safe in the areas so this must be a priority to ensure we build community confidence.

Katherine Gilcreest highlighted that other options have been considered and the impacts each option would have on the people using and living in the area. All evidence has been supported to ensure the correct option was agreed and enforced. Members agreed to the PSPO if the correct level of enforcement is in place.

ACTION: Police leads to review resources to ensure there is the correct levels of enforcement to implement the Heathway PSPO.

7. DRAFT Community Safety Plan

Jade Hodgson presented the draft community safety plan to members of the board. Members agreed to review the draft plan and provide feedback to ensure the final plan can be presented at Septembers board for sign off.

Stephen Norman highlighted at present the plan doesn't include LFB or voluntary sector information and should also include mayoral priorities.

ACTION: CSP members to review and feedback on Community Safety Plan to Jade Hodgson by Wednesday 13 August 2018.

ACTION: Jade Hodgson to explore running a workshop on the community safety plan with members of BeFirst and My Place.

8. Stephen Port (CONFIDENTIAL)

The board are recommended to discuss the case and decide whether this meets the criteria for a DVHR to be conducted. The Leader of the Council has written to the IPOC to raise the Council's concerns around the length of time this case has taken.

The recommendations presented to the CSP are as followed;

- Recommended not to follow through with DVHR but wait for IOPC investigation to be published.
- The case does not meet the requirements for the review as the victims and survivors reside out of the Borough. Learning may be difficult as DVHR are for local learning.

Sean Wilson outlined the reason for the delay in the investigation however unable to provide a timescale for the completion of the investigation.

The CSP Board agreed the following;

- The CSP agree to wait until the IPOC has been published to take a view.
- The CSP will follow up with a second letter to IPOC raising concerns about delay.
- Residents and those affected will have further frustration the longer the case goes on due to the order of the court in November and new inquests.
- To formally lobby the government for some form of change. (Potential to review of framework in light of the case).
- Raise the voices of the family and survivors.
- Barking and Dagenham CSP should consider wider learning for other areas.
- Not having a DVHR would be contradictory to LGBT action plan.

ACTION: Fiona Taylor to write letter to IPOC regarding the delay on the Stephen Port Investigation.

ACTION: Hazel North-Stephens Fiona Taylor a drafted response with regards to the recommendation of not conducting a DVHR.

9. DVHR Learning

Hazel North-Stephens provided an update to the CSP members regarding a confidential case. Sean Wilson advised that John Ross will be writing to Fiona Taylor requesting a DVHR to be conducted regarding this case.

ACTION: Fiona Taylor to update the partnership on the progress of the DV review and agree with members whether a DVHR should be conducted.

10. Quality and Impact inspection: The effectiveness of probation work by the London Community Rehabilitation Company

Steve Calder updated the board on the outcome of the quality and impact assessment. The presentation outlined the operation model, structure chart, focus for the organisations and the six recommendations. Members were updated on the offences per type for both male and female and a breakdown of the service users for CRC. Councillor Mullane questioned whether female figures address mental health and whether this has this been fed into the HWBB, CRC confirmed data does address mental health and has linked with the HWBB. CRC welcomed community payback programmes that can be used to improve and offer a positive means for the local community.

Rita Chadha highlighted that local work was previously conducted with female offenders has been conducted in the Borough.

ACTION: Steve Calder to look at data breakdown of types of violent crime between male and female and report back to CSP members.

ACTION: Steve Calder to look at “other” category breakdown in types of crime and report back to CSP members.

ACTION: Steve Calder to provide outcome data from the BBR and DV programmes being provided by CRC to board members.

11. Transition Workshop

Steve Calder, Suzanne Nidai and Angie Fuller

Overview: To have an update on work around transitions so we can look at how we can improve transitions across the three services (NPS, CRC, YOS)

Issues for NPS – Seconded probation officer who deals with 17 years into transition to adult services, resources issues on both side, 18-25 years find disengagement and breach (2 missed aps goes back to courts). How we can improve:

- 18 -25 years group to have mentors
- Work around YOS helping NPS understand assessment
- YOS to help develop interventions.
- Widen focus from all youth to adult services

Break out groups to have discussion to come up with top 5 things organisations may be able to assist or ideas to put forward.

12. Forward Plan

Fiona Taylor asked for members to review the forward plan. The chair highlighted it would be useful to have one substantive agenda item at each partnership and for a break out session. If agencies feel that have something to bring forward, please forward agenda items to Jade Hodgson.

13. Any Other Business

Rita Chadha expressed concern of Red Cross initiative around community resilience and where the Borough resilience forum sits within the CSP.

Sean Wilson advised this is his last CSP board, the chair thanked Sean Wilson on behalf of members for his support.

ACTION: Rita Chadha to send an email to Fiona Taylor and Jonathon Toy outlining concerns around Red Cross and how funding bids are organised between the council and partner organisations.

14. Details of next meeting

Community Safety Partnership Board

Wednesday 26th September 2018, 10.00-13.00

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