



WELLINGBOROUGH PARTNERSHIP

the Local Strategic Partnership for Wellingborough



Minutes of Safer Task Group / Crime & Disorder Partnership Meeting

DRAFT – subject to approval at the next meeting

Meeting held on Monday 20th October 2008 11am in the Tithe Barn, Wellingborough

Present:

Joe Hubbard	WBC
Hugh Fenton	LSP
Matt Chester	Compass Unit
Richard James	Police
Pete Chisholm	Police
Lynn Chapman	Northamptonshire Police
Carole Stephenson	WBC
Graham Cochrane	Probation
Helen Cook	Police Authority
Caroline Exton	GOEM
Karren Buckley	Heartlands Mediation
Ali Reynolds	Police
Shaun Johnson	Police Arson Task Force
Louise Slaven	PPO Manager
Nicola Hicks	WBC
David Cross	Town Centre Partnership
Elly Simms	Wellingborough Homes
John Hughes	PCT

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Apologies

Marie Rose	Fire and Rescue Service
Ann Marie Hawkins	NCC
Christine Thompson	Victim Support
Clive Jekyll	DAAT

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Amendments – Louise Moyney (Slade) sent apologies that were not recorded in the minutes.

3. Matters Arising (other than those on the agenda)

Public Attitude Survey to be a standing agenda item for future meetings.

4. Section 1

Matt Chester talked the group through the Performance Improvement Bulletin which had been circulated to members of the group prior to the meeting.

The only area where the CDRP is achieving a 'Red' status is around repeat domestic abuse victimisation. There has been an increase of 3.8% recorded from the baseline for repeat victims and performance over the past 12 months has deteriorated. A reduction of 11.1% is required to meet the target.

Graham Cochrane is confirmed as the lead for offender management and a meeting is planned in the near future to consider the Compass analysis of local issues and develop local actions within this delivery group.

MC – there is a need for the CDRP to consider specific actions within the actions plans and link them with performance data.

It has been agreed since the CDRP meeting that a CDRP business support group will be established to look specifically at issues around the delivery groups and their action plans.

Helen Cook outlined the community engagement scoping document and recommendations. **MC** to update at each CDRP meeting. **JEH** pointed out that some of the actions link with hallmarks. **LC** suggested that **NH** be the lead on this and liaise directly with Helen Cook.

Shaun Johnson updated the group on arson statistics. A county-wide 'bin' strategy is being developed (police and ATF). Other joint working is progressing especially around looking at new builds and established builds (especially terraced properties) to ensure that the message about not putting your bin out too early and then putting it back in a safe place (usually garden or bin store) as soon as possible is conveyed.

ATF are likely to be liaising with local authorities reference the 'Callum' campaign – this has not yet been agreed.

SJ also outlined the need to identify vehicles that have evidence from them (even if burnt out). There is a proposal to re-train firefighters to use 'fine mist' spray instead of water which will enable evidence to be gathered anyway.

SJ is also working with Compass to compile a database of known arsonists in the county.

5. Section 2

Vulnerable Children and Young People – Hugh Fenton

A detached outreach youth worker has now started, working especially in the Kiln and Minerva and Hemmingwell areas. Hugh outlined the need for data around violence and asb caused by young people. **NH** has requested information from Compass Unit and will forward to Hugh as soon as it is received.

HF also informed the group that a local headmaster is keen to join this delivery group.

Town Centre Task Force– Pete Chisholm

Alcohol Related Partnership Activity funding (up to 30k) went through this group. **NH** is preparing a bid on behalf of the CDRP which will include employing an alcohol outreach worker (joint operations with the police and making use of the weapon arch) and to purchase a number of CCTV cameras for taxi drivers in their cabs. **NH** to circulate bid as soon as it is prepared. The bid deadline is 7th November and a response is likely a week later. **NH** to keep the group updated.

Offender Management –

Graham Cochrane is the confirmed lead for offender management. A meeting is planned to consider the findings and recommendations of a Compass report and develop an action plan with local actions. **NH** to keep the group updated.

Aquisitive Crime – Ali Reynolds

The group has now met and an action plan has been developed. **AR** to send a copy of the plan to **NH** as soon as it is complete. **AR** outlined that burglary and theft of vehicles is on an upward trend but theft from vehicles has shown significant reductions recently.

Signal Crime – Carole Stephenson

The group has met and an action plan is almost complete. Actions relating to criminal damage need to be addressed but then it is complete. There is a need for an amenities representative on this group.

EG has requested to sit on this group as it is a pilot in the county.

CS informed the group that the internal growth bid submitted to support the work of this delivery group was unsuccessful.

6. **Section 3**

PC updated the group. There is an issue with burglary dwelling on the Hemmingwell estate. The police are aware of the individual but have unfortunately been unsuccessful in catching him. He suggested that an ASBO may help to ensure that the individual isn't permitted to go in certain areas and could include the whole estate. If the individual then breaches the ASBO the police will have more against him.

There are some issues on the Hemmingwell estate with young people running into the local co-op and stealing alcohol. **PC** is looking at calling for a license review and considering CCTV in the co-op premises.

2 key offenders (theft from motor vehicles and burglary dwelling) on the Queensway estate and Swanspool have been identified.

7. **Section 4 – SCT's**

PC reported to the group that there are some staffing pressures emerging. There are currently 4 PCSO vacancies and the next intake is not until January 09.

Not in My Neighbourhood was successful. Fire and Rescue, amenities staff, community safety, police (Operation Tiger) were all represented.

Operation Vector commenced on the 8th October and will continue until November 6th. To date there have been 270 individuals stopped in our area.

ASB Processing Group – Elly Simms

There are 7 individuals on the group at the moment. 6 ABC's and 3 are being considered for ASBO's. There are issues around the lack of referrals going through this group.

Business/Retail Crime – David Cross

David outlined to the group that WENPAC started in 2002, won the Safer Business Award in 2005 and was re-accredited in 2008. This is the first group in the county to achieve the SBA.

Shoplifting is an issue at the moment. Food seems to be the main thing stolen and the group agreed that is likely to be an effect of the credit crunch.

Due to the success of WENPAC there hasn't been the need for more exclusion orders. The group is working well.

DAAT – Clive Jekyll

CJ was unable to attend the meeting.

8. Section 5

Louise Slade is delivering a presentation to the CDRP at the December meeting. There are some issues with how long individuals (PPO's) are remaining in the catch and convict strand.

9. Section 6

Neighbourhood Renewal –

CS informed the members that the group is to meet tomorrow and an action plan will be developed. CS to keep the group updated.

Partnership Advisory Group

AMH was not able to attend the meeting.

Hallmarks

LC outlined the next steps and position statement regarding hallmarks. A report was circulated to CDRP members. The CDRP endorsed the recommendations.

10. Any Other Business

Agenda item 'CDRP Chair Review' to be deferred to the next meeting.

Date of Next Meeting

Monday December 15th 2008 at 11am in the Committee Room, Swanspool House, Wellingborough.