

SEFTON SAFER COMMUNITIES PARTNERSHIP

MEETING HELD AT THE COMMITTEE ROOM, TOWN HALL, BOOTLE ON THURSDAY 5TH DECEMBER, 2019

PRESENT: Tanya Wilcock (in the Chair)
Councillors John Sayers, Jenny Currie,
Neil Frackleton, Martin Gay, Tony Harland,
Sue Holden, Superintendent Graeme Robson, Chief
Inspector Matthew Moscrop, Martin Chambers, Chris
White, Sharron Cottersall Rosanna Stanley and
Steve Martlew.

28. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were submitted from Councillor T. Hardy and Karen Rooney.

29. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of any disclosable pecuniary interests or personal interests were received.

30. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Partnership considered the Minutes of the meeting held on 12 September, 2019.

With reference to Minutes No. 20 it was reported that the Serious and Organised Crime Conference, Task and Finish group had taken place and that the conference also took place on 4th December. A further report would be submitted on the outcome and next steps following the conference to the next meeting.

With reference to Minute No. 24, Chris White gave an update on the progress on the initiative's delivery being joined up with wider Locality colleagues.

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 12 September, 2019 be confirmed as a correct record.

31. MERSEYSIDE VIOLENCE REDUCTION UNIT (VRU)

Mark Wiggins delivered a presentation on the Merseyside Violence Reduction Unit.

The presentation gave details of:

Statistics and trends in Violent Crime;
Funding received from the government;
Actions taken to allocate the funding into specific areas
Discussions and consultations carried out
Next steps and application for funding in 2020/21

RESOLVED: That

- (1) the informative presentation be noted;
- (2) this item remain on the Agenda for future meetings as a regular update on progress.

32. PREVENT

Tanya Wilcock updated the Partnership on work which had been ongoing to refresh the Sefton PREVENT Strategy and a revised Draft Strategy 2020-21 was circulated for consideration.

RESOLVED: That

- (1) The revised PREVENT strategy as now submitted be approved;
and
- (2) further operational update reports be submitted to future meetings as appropriate

33. DOMESTIC AND SEXUAL ABUSE UPDATE

Steve Martlew gave an update on Domestic and Sexual abuse issues and on the Domestic and Sexual abuse Strategy which had been approved by the Community Safety Partnership.

He referred to the Domestic Abuse Governance Groups which he was looking to refresh in the new year. He also suggested that a workshop will take place with partners in early 2020 to refresh energy around the DA work and to develop an action plan that would sit below the strategy.

RESOLVED:

That the update be noted and the review and refresh be welcomed.

34. HOMELESS DEATH REVIEW

Chris White reported that this review had taken longer than anticipated but a final paper would be published in the following week.

RESLOVED: That the update be noted.

35. OPERATION TARGET - MERSEYSIDE POLICE'S RESPONSE TO SERIOUS VIOLENCE

Chief Inspector Matthew Moscrop gave an update on Operation Target highlighting disruption work carried out, recovery of knives, test purchases and open land searches.

Reference was made to ensuring Council staff were aware of these issues when carrying out general maintenance in parks and other public spaces and Chris White agreed to liaise with Chief Inspector Moscrop on this issue.

RESOLVED: That

- (1) the update be noted; and
- (2) Chris White forward details to CI Moscrop of community and friends groups who may need some awareness training.

36. INFORMATION SHARING AGREEMENT

Chris White reported that the Information Sharing Agreement was now complete and required signing by all appropriate parties.

RESOLVED: That

- (1) The report be noted; and
- (2) All parties be requested to sign up to the agreement.

37. INTEGRATED YOUTH SERVICES - UPDATE REPORT

Rosanna Stanley presented a report giving an update on the progress and achievements of the Integrated Youth Service since June 2019.

RESOLVED: That the report be noted.

38. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Tony Harland gave an update on activities during the bonfire night/mischief night period which had proved successful with a significant reduction in secondary fires.

Chief Inspector Matthew Moscrop gave an update on gun crime and actions being taken in this regard. He also gave details of operation Shepherd which addressed acquisitive crime and the night-time economy over the Christmas period. He further reported that Merseyside Police had plans to sponsor a "Shining Star Award" in 2020.

Tanya Wilcock reported that the Local Safeguarding Children Board had agreed to re-introduce the Child Exploitation Sub Group but had widened the remit to include all forms of child exploitation and so have renamed it as the Complex Safeguarding sub group. Tanya agreed to represent the SSCP on the LSCB and ensure regular update and communication flow between the two.

These changes had highlighted that the Sefton safer Communities Partnership did not currently have a Children's Social Care representative and she suggested that a general refresh and review of the Membership of the Partnership might be appropriate.

RESOLVED: That a review and refresh of the membership of the Sefton safer Communities Partnership be carried out.

39. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED:

That the next meeting be held on Thursday, 12 March, 2020 at the Town Hall, Bootle, commencing at 10.00 am.