



Comhairle Ceantair
**an Iúir, Mhúrn
agus an Dúin**
**Newry, Mourne
and Down**
District Council

June 24th, 2016

Notice Of Meeting

You are requested to attend the Council meeting to be held on **Monday, 27th June 2016** at **6:00 pm** in **Mourne Room, Downshire.**

Agenda

1 **Apologies and Chairperson's Remarks**

2 **Declarations of Interest**

3 **Public Protection Agency NI**

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The Public Protection Arrangements Northern Ireland (PPANI)

27th June 2016

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Background to Public Protection in N. Ireland

- 1990's: Growing concern among the public about Sex Offenders living in the community / individual high profile cases
- 1996: Multi-agency Conference 'No Hiding Place' Organised by NIO and NOTA
- 1997: (1st Sept.) Sex Offender Notification
- 2001: (1st Sept.) MASRAM (Multi-agency Sex-offender Risk Assessment and Management)

Public Protection Arrangements NI (PPANI)

- PPANI is not in an organisation, but a set of arrangements which require all statutory agencies with responsibility for child protection and criminal justice to work together to protect the public
 - Primary Purpose – to reduce the offender's opportunity and/or inclination to re-offend
 - Risk management not risk elimination
 - Manage risk not people
 - Every offender is different



Who is Subject to the Public Protection Arrangements NI?

A

Persons who are subject to the
notification requirements
of **Part 2** of the **Sexual Offences**
Act 2003

or

who have been convicted of a sexual
offence or sexually motivated offence
and are not subject to the notification
requirements of Part 2 of the Sexual
Offences Act 2003,

but

about whom there are current
significant concerns

B

Persons who have from **6.10.2008** been convicted of a **violent offence** (including homicide) against a **child or vulnerable adult; or who have a previous conviction for a violent offence against a child or vulnerable adult** and about whom there are **current significant concerns**.

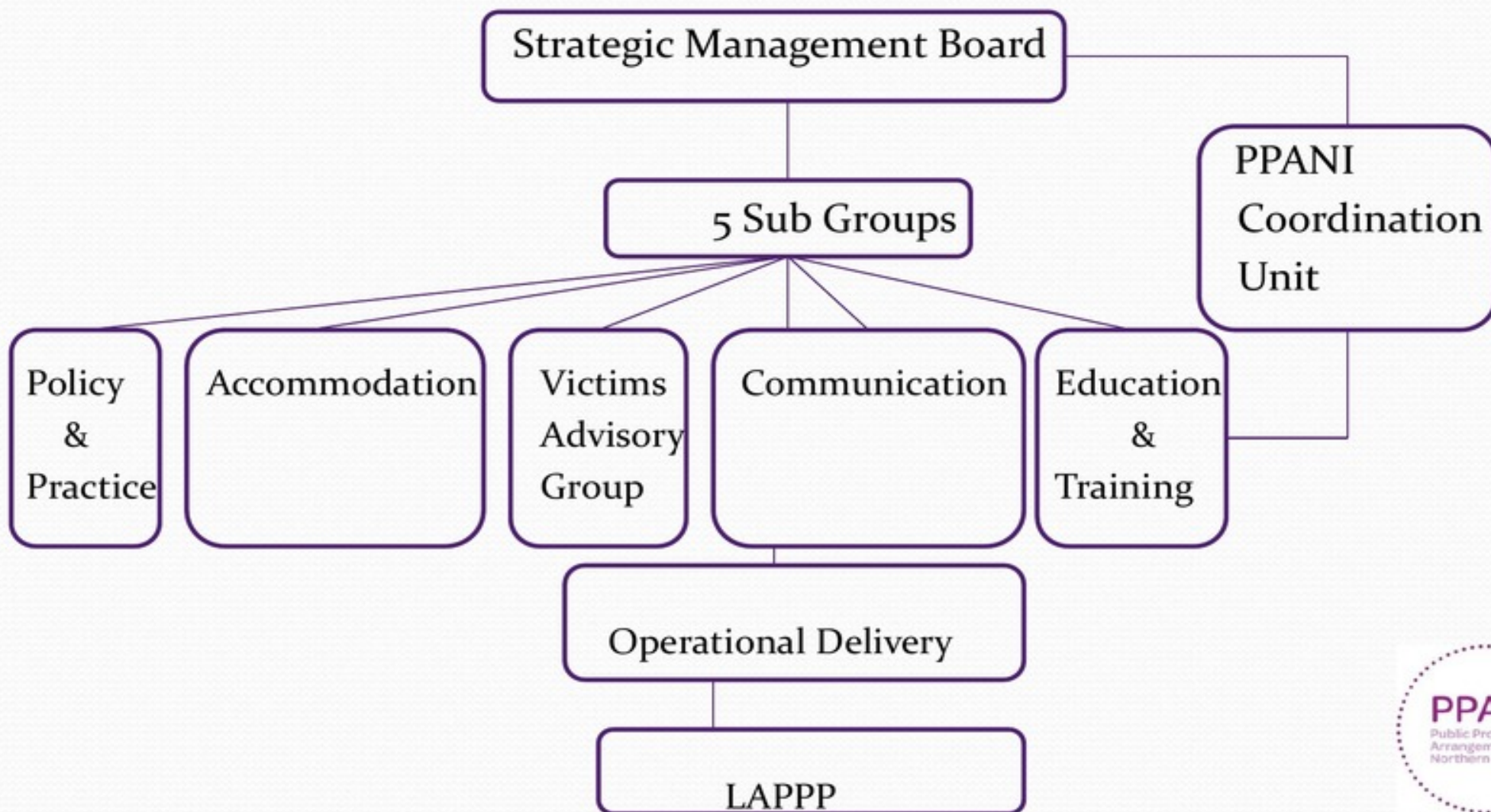
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Persons who from **1.4.2010** have been convicted of a **violent offence** (including homicide) **in domestic or family circumstances**; or who have **a previous conviction** for a violent offence in domestic or family circumstances and about whom there are **current significant concerns**.

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Persons who from **1.9.2011** have been **convicted of a violent offence** (including homicide) where the offence has been **aggravated by hostility** and for which the person received **an enhanced sentence.**

PPANI Organisational Structure



Agencies contributing to PPANI

POLICE

PROBATION

**OTHER
AGENCIES
AS FELT
NECESSARY
e.g. NSPCC,
Nexus**



**SOCIAL
SERVICES**

**PRISON
SERVICE**

**N. I.
HOUSING
EXECUTIVE**

Local Area Public Protection Panel (LAPPP)

LAPPPs are the multi-agency forum tasked with the operational delivery of the Public Protection Arrangements. The key responsibilities of LAPPPs include;

1. Multi-Agency Assessment of all relevant Offenders
2. Development of appropriate risk management plans for those offenders set at Category 2 or 3 risk of serious harm following assessment



LAPPP Structure

- Multi- Agency Meeting
- Held throughout N. Ireland
- Agreed Personnel – LAPPP Chair, PSNI PPANI Links, HSCT Principal Officer, PSNI PPU / PBNI DRM
- Set Agenda



LAPPP Process

- Evidence Based Practice
- Defensible decision making
- Victim focus

RISK ASSESSMENT

Within PPANI the risk posed by individual Offenders is assessed by:

1. Completion of the Risk Matrix 2000 static risk assessment tool which identifies the likelihood of sexual and/or violent reoffending



Risk Assessment contd.

2. Dynamic Risk Assessment. Including;

Stable and Acute 2007 re Sexual Offenders

Framework for Assessment Domestic Abuse
(FADA) re Domestic Abuse offender

These assessments are completed by the
DRM & assessment tools draw upon best
practice & research

Following this assessment process the offender will be assigned one of three clearly defined categories

Categorising risk of serious harm allows agencies to :

- Make the best use of time & resources and concentrate efforts towards those who pose the greatest risk

Category 1

(No requirement for multi-agency intervention/ single agency management)

“Someone whose previous offending, current behaviour and current circumstances present **little evidence** that they will cause **serious harm.**”

Category 2

(requirement for multi-agency intervention)

“Someone whose previous offending, current behaviour and current circumstances present **clear and identifiable evidence** that they could cause **serious harm** through carrying out a **contact sexual** or **violent offence**.”

Category 3

(requirement for intensive/focused multi-agency intervention – managed by PSNI / PBNI/ HSCT staff from co-located Public Protection Team (PPT)

“Someone whose previous offending, and/or current behaviour and/or current circumstances present **clear and identifiable evidence** that they are **highly likely** to cause serious harm through carrying out a **contact sexual** or **violent offence.**”

Risk Management

Risk Management Plan should contain:

- **ENFORCEMENT** measures to restrict behaviour – often through Court Orders and Licences
- **ENCOURAGEMENT** measures to change behaviour and attitude
 - accredited programmes
 - alcohol and substance abuse
 - improving employability
 - assisting with accommodation

Below are the latest figures as of 1st June for offenders risk managed within PPANI:

	In Prison	In Community	Total
Cat 3	13	9	22
Cat 2	66	78	144

Current Statistics re Categories of Offender Subject to PPANI Resident in Newry, Mourne District Council Area

	Total
Category 3	0
Category 2	2
Category 1	96

Thank you

Any Questions?



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