

May 12th, 2016

Notice Of Meeting

You are requested to attend the Policing and Community Safety Partnership meeting to be held on **Tuesday, 17th May 2016** at **6:00 pm** in **Mourne Room, Downshire.**

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POLICING & COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP

Minutes of the Policing & Community Safety Partnership Meeting of Newry, Mourne and Down District Council held in the Boardroom, Monaghan Row, Newry on 23rd March 2016 at 6.30pm

In attendance: Terry Andrews, Newry, Mourne and Down District Council
Audrey Byrne, Independent Member
William Clarke, Newry, Mourne and Down District Council
Jude Cumisky, Independent Member
Sean Doran, Newry, Mourne and Down District Council
Martin Fahy, Education Authority NI
Andy Freeburn, Chief Inspector, PSNI
Barney O'Connor, Chief Inspector, PSNI
Harry Harvey, Newry, Mourne and Down District Council
Michael Heaney, Youth Justice Agency
Una Kelly, Independent Member
Mickey Larkin, Newry, Mourne and Down District Council
(Chair)
Roisin Leckey, Probation Board
Kate Loughran, Newry, Mourne and Down District Council
Owen McDonnell, NIHE
Daniel McEvoy, Independent Member
Grace McQuiston, Independent Member
Ewan Morgan, Independent Member
Declan Murphy, Independent Member
Rod O'Hare, Northern Ireland Fire & Rescue Service
Brian Quinn, Newry, Mourne and Down District Council
Paul Reid, Superintendent, PSNI
Fiona Stephens, Independent Member
David Taylor, Newry, Mourne & Down District Council
Amy Ward, Independent Member

Also in attendance: Liam Hannaway, Chief Executive
Siobhan Fearon, Partnership Manager
Katrina Hynds, PCSP Project Officer
Andrew Kernaghan, PCSP Project Officer
Daniel Brown, PSCP Officer
Sarah Taggart, Democratic Services Officer

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from:-

Laura Devlin, Sinead Ennis, Brendan Whittle, Fergal O'Brien and Lesley McCombe.

2. Chairman's Remarks

- The Chairperson extended his sympathies to Sinead Ennis & Ewan Morgan following their recent bereavement.
- The Chairperson stated this was the final meeting of the year and thanked Major John Parrot for his membership throughout the year and extended a welcome to Declan Murphy.
- The Chairperson welcomed Superintendent Paul Reid and Chief Inspector Barney O'Connor and commended Supt Simon Walls and CI Andy Freeburn for the work carried out throughout the year.
- The Chairperson stated that mileage claims needed to be claimed as soon as possible.

3. **Presentation – Neighbourhood Renewal**

The Chairperson welcomed Mr Sean McKeivitt to the meeting and invited him to make his presentation.

Mr McKeivitt thanked the Chairperson for his invitation to present to the Committee stating the Neighbourhood Renewal projects have been very successful to date. Mr McKeivitt presented the following statistics:

- 41 young people were employed through TOPS scheme and 63 were employed in the OCEANS scheme.
- Mentoring has led to an increase from 37% to 68% of young people leaving school with GCSEs.
- Count, Read, Succeed programme for those parents who struggle with curriculum learning starts at P2 age and was very successful.
- Numeracy and literacy skills have increased with the levels of those young people who cannot read or write well decreasing by 17%.
- 160 people took part in health MOTs with 54% being referred onto doctors.
- 96 women took part in breast screening and 1 discovered she had cancer.
- 2200 young people involved in healthy eating programmes.
- 119 people trained in level 1 coaching.

The Chairperson thanked Mr McKeivitt for his presentation and invited questions from the Members.

Members asked the following questions:

- Where do referrals to the schemes come from?
- Community associations are not aware of the work carried out by the PCSP, is this something that can be done in conjunction with Neighbourhood Renewal?
- With regard to the Revenue Programmes, following evaluations, what has had the greatest impact in tackling inequalities?

Mr McKeivitt responded to the queries as follows:

- PBNI have a seat on the committee and referrals can come from them.

- Ms Fearon attends the Neighbourhood Renewal meetings and PCSP has a presence within the newsletter that is produced. A leaflet is planned to inform the community of who the PCSP are and what they do.
- The Creative Art Programme has had the greatest impact. 2 young people devised the idea through a youth engagement programme. The young people have an upcoming exhibition in the Canal Court.

The Chairperson thanked Mr McKeivitt for his presentation.

4. **Minutes of PCSP Meeting held on 15 December 2015**

Read: Minutes of PCSP Meeting held on 15 December 2015.

ACTION: It was AGREED on the PROPOSAL of Dan McEvoy, SECONDED by Harry Harvey, that the Minutes be agreed as an accurate record.

5. **Matters Arising**

There were no Matters Arising.

6. **Register of Interests**

Read: Report by Siobhan Fearon dated 23 March 2016 regarding Register of Interest Forms.

Ms Fearon explained that the Register of Interest Forms must be filled in and completed before leaving the meeting. She advised the forms were to be filled in by Elected Members and Independent Members.

ACTION: It was AGREED that all Members would fill in the Register of Interest forms before the meeting ended.

7. **Ratification of Action Plan**

Read: Newry, Mourne and Down Policing and Community Safety Partnership – 3 year Plan April 2016-2019. (copy circulated)

Ms Fearon advised the Action Plan has now been submitted and awaiting approval.

NOTED: The Action Plan was noted.

8. **Ratification of Funding Sub-Group**

Read: Report by Siobhan Fearon dated 23 March 2016 regarding Ratification of Funding Sub-Group

Ms Fearon advised the Funding Sub-group had met and agreed that funding applications could be received as a Community Safety project up to the maximum value of £750 based on Action Plan Headings.

NOTED: The report of the Funding Sub-Group ratification was noted.

9. Officer Report

Read: Report by PCSP officers dated 23 March 2016 regarding Officer Report.

The Chairperson asked whether any feedback had been received following the work carried out at Drumalane, Derrybeg/Barcroft.

Ms Fearon advised the PSNI have a programme organised regarding Sexual Health, Drugs/Alcohol and Getting Home Safe Programme. She stated she would forward details of the schemes in Derrybeg/Barcroft to the Chairperson.

Ewan Morgan questioned whether any statistics had been compiled as to the success of "Coffee with Cops" scheme.

Ms Fearon advised the scheme has been extended throughout the District occurring weekly, the emphasis is on high visibility in the community and engagement, individual cases and follow up arising out of these engagements is recorded by PSNI in usual way.

NOTED: The report compiled by PCSP Officers was NOTED.

10. Community Safety Network Update

Dan McEvoy advised a very successful Network event took place in the Burrendale Hotel in Newcastle with 70 neighbourhood watch co-ordinators from across the District in attendance. He advised the co-ordinators had discussions on the benefits of neighbourhood watch schemes as well as the negatives.

Members who had attended the event spoke of the very positive event and the need for evaluation and assessment of all neighbourhood watch schemes.

Jude Cumiskey stated the PCSP need to support young people becoming part of neighbourhood watch groups and identify examples of best practice within other areas to support these young people.

Ms Fearon advised there are plenty of good examples of community safety projects being organised by young people.

Members felt that neighbourhood watch coordinators are generally older people who have more time to devote to the schemes. Jude Cumiskey stated if young people are engaged in meaningful ways they could become coordinators in their own right.

NOTED: The Community Safety Network Update was NOTED.

11. CCTV Report

Read: Down CCTV Report from City Watch Lisburn dated 14th May 2015 to 17th August 2015.

NOTED: The CCTV Report was NOTED.

12. Consultation – Domestic Abuse Offence and Domestic Violence Disclosure Scheme

Read: Correspondence received from DoJ regarding Domestic Abuse Offence and Domestic Violence Disclosure Scheme.

Ms Fearon advised the consultation was a key document on how domestic violence is viewed. She stated she would circulate the draft response via e-mail and once a closing date for replies had been agreed, a response would be coordinated.

David Taylor proposed all replies to be forwarded before 8th April 2016. This was seconded by Brian Quinn.

AGREED: It was agreed on the proposal of David Taylor, seconded by Brian Quinn that any replies to the consultation be forwarded to Ms Fearon before 8th April 2016 in order that a response to the consultation can be coordinated.

13. Date of Meetings 2016-17

Read: Report from Ms Fearon dated 23 March 2016 regarding dates of Next Meetings

NOTED: The report outlining the dates of next meetings was NOTED.

14. Any Other Business

- Una Kelly asked that she receive a hard copy of the agenda for future meetings. Fiona Stephen, Dan McEvoy and Declan Murphy also requested hard copies of the agenda going forward.

AGREED: It was agreed that hard copies of the agenda be forwarded to Una Kelly, Fiona Stephen, Dan McEvoy and Declan Murphy.

- Ms Fearon advised sessions have been organised by DoJ to review PCSP expenses with a meeting being held on 6th April 2016. She stated there would be 3 sessions with the Statutory Partners from 3-4.30, Police from 5-6.30 and Independent Members from 7-8.30. Members questioned the need for Statutory Partners to attend as they do not receive expenses. Michael Heaney advised he would respond to the DoJ asking why statutory partners need to attend the meeting.

AGREED: It was agreed that Michael Heaney would respond to the DoJ questioning the need for Statutory Partners to attend the meeting regarding expenses.

- Ms Fearon advised consultations are ongoing around Peace IV and the Council is exploring the establishment of an interim partnership made up of independent members to represent the community and voluntary sector. She stated as an interim, short-term arrangement, PCSP had been invited to join the interim partnership in that capacity in order that the application could be processed. Members advised they would need more information before being able to agree to sit as an interim partnership.

Mr Hannaway advised the action plan needs signed off on stage 1 and he had spoken with SEUPB who had asked if PCSP members would be willing to sit as the interim partnership to proof the action plan based on consultation.

AGREED: It was agreed that the members of PCSP would accept invitation to sit on interim partnership for the purposes of Peace IV application.

There being no further business, the meeting finished at 8.00pm.

Report to:	Newry, Mourne and Down PCSP
Subject:	Officer Report
Date:	17 May 2016
Reporting Officer:	Siobhán Fearon

Decisions Required

For noting

Purpose & Background

Update on members of the work of PCSP officers to action plan.

Members are asked to note that a lot of time has been spent on wrapping up projects from transitional action plan and financial reporting.

Strategic Objective 1 To successfully deliver the functions of Policing and Community Safety Partnership

Members agreed new meeting schedule for 2016-17 including sub groups (to be established). Action plan submitted amendments requested by DOJ were completed and submitted.(Attached) Letter of Offer is expected by June 2016.

Workshop date re aligning PCSP with Community Planning process was circulated earlier for members to note 23rd June 2016, venue to be agreed.

Strategic Objective 2;To improve community safety by tackling crime and anti-social behaviour

Community Safety Action Planning

Ballymote

A 'Fear of Crime' seminar for the elderly took place on 31 March whereby the CID Burglary branch and the Crime Prevention Officer gave a presentation on keeping safe. This is followed by a trip to support and instil confidence for the elderly in this area.

A new Youth interagency group has been established and supported by PCSP as well as a successful "Pizza & Peeler" evening in partnership with Pop UP Art Programme.

Castlewellan Road, Newcastle

Midnight Soccer continues on a Friday night from 8.30-10.00 pm.

Drumalane, Newry

This 15 week Monday evening programme, culminating in a residential , has involved working with hard to reach 15-17 year olds from Drumalane in partnership with PSNI & EANI. It has included dealing with issues such as alcohol and drugs, underage drinking, cybersafety, sexual health, get home safe, suicide prevention. PSNI already report benefits of improved engagement with participants and their peers as a result of involvement in programme.

Help with Hoodies

This 14 week programme supported by PCSP, rolled out by the PSNI again targets hard to reach young people. The programme involved a series of workshops that would look at issues such as the Get Home Safe Campaign, Suicide Prevention & Internet Safety. It also included intergenerational programmes, promoting the work of charity groups in the area and supporting the development of projects including development of allotment for use in diversionary work in the area. Linkages have been made with Council cleansing department, Hospice and St Johns Ambulance re promoting the work and offering assistance

Youth Engagement Programmes**Mourne Mountain Adventure**

Mourne Mountain Adventure took place on 23rd April 2016 in glorious sunshine. The teams of young people all reported having an excellent experience and although there was a fallout due to injury and the Coastguard Helicopter called in the participant has made a full and speedy recovery and the risk assessment planning for the event went smoothly to minimise any risks. This multi agency partnership work will have its formal review in May. Thanks to members who attended and helped out on the day and if there was any feedback would be appreciative to hear it so can be included in review meeting

Night Time Ecomony**Community Wardens**

Community Warden cover was provided over Easter as well as day / evening cover during Easter week in some of the caravan sites in the District. Work is ongoing re the full application for Purple Flag status and as part of this work a review of the NTE will take place. Potential of Purple Flag status for Newcastle to be revisited.

Drugs & Alcohol

Work has been ongoing to support the development of information leaflets and also the involvement in newly reformed DACTs

Domestic Violence

Domestic Violence Intervention Programme is ongoing. A seminar will take on 15th September in Newcastle featuring keynote speaker Zoe Lodrick. Zoe has over 22 years experience in sexualised trauma, domestic abuse, victim behaviour, sex offending and the interviewing of victims of sexual crimes in addition to having considerable knowledge regarding the therapeutic needs of victims/survivors of rape, sexual assault, child sexual exploitation/abuse and domestic abuse. Zoe has also provides training and consultation to police in England and Wales as well as many other professionals in legal, education, health and medical fields.

Response to issues relating to road safety awareness and fatal RTAs

Promotion of hi-vis continues throughout the district. A newly established Newry and Mourne Road Safety Committee has been established which PCSP has been invited to attend. They are organising a quiz night to raise awareness on Thursday 26th May at 9pm in Brass Monkey, Newry.

Fear of Crime across NMD - Burglary

New newsletter for Neighbourhood Watch Schemes currently being distributed across the district. Work has been ongoing re tidying the admin end of Neighbourhood to address some of the issues raised by coordinators re communication and receipt of correspondence. PCSP are in the process of developing a Coordinator pack for new and existing schemes, ensuring consistency in information and support received by all.

Quarterly report form Home Secure for period December – March secured 143 homes. 97% of the clients were aged 60 plus and over 1135 devices were fitted overall. Majority of referrals coming from Newry, Downpatrick and Slieve Gullion. Good Morning, Good Neighbour received an additional 27 new referrals in same reporting period making total number using service 299 which has resulted in 13,648 good morning calls being made. There are currently 48 active volunteers operating this service.

Text Alert is currently not operational, it is hoped to re-launch in early June.

Rural Crime

Meeting took place with PSNI District Crime Prevention Officers and Community Planning Sergeant re promoting trailer marking and Farm Watch schemes throughout the district

Strategic Objective 3: To support community confidence in Police**Coffee with Cops**

Coffee with Cops engagement continues.

DEA

Links with DEA continues to develop re supporting link with Community Plan

ARCS

Two successful ARCS applications were awarded

Finding my Way; CRJ, a tailored programme of activities strengthening individual pathways of support and providing diversion from low level crime for low to medium offenders under 25. It incorporates a substance misuse programme, residential, counselling and teamwork activity.

No Need for Speed; Kingdom YC, aims to educate young people receiving their provisional drivers license with road safety information and highlight dangers of reckless driving. It incorporates a series of workshops looking a dangers of reckless driving and driving lessons

Priority Youth Intervention

There was one successful application under PYI

Summer Diversionary Programme; Bosco Youth Club, aims to deal with ASB that may be associated with commemorations over the summer months this project offers activities to older youth grouping from Ballybot, Drumguillion and Daisyhill and incorporates a diversionary trip

Appendix 2: Local Strategic Priority Action Plan - Template

Strategic Priority:	To successfully deliver the functions of the Policing and Community Safety Partnership
Outcome:	That the PSCP functions effectively and produces & delivers on Action Plan, bedding in with Community Plan
Indicators:	Regular meetings, Annual Report, up-skilled Members, deliverable actions on plan, numbers attending training and meetings

Actions	Tasks	Target Date	Lead	Resource Required	Performance Measures
Support Partnership Structure & Development	Establish Sub Groups	June 2016	Members	£5000 Staff	Functioning sub group structure, regular well-attended meetings
	Deliver Training according to TNA	Ongoing	Members & staff NI Policing Board		Attendance of members at training Annual review & TNA
	Bi Monthly meetings	Recurring every two months	Members & staff	£5000 Members expenses	Attendance figures and review in October 2016 Actions emerge and acted upon
	Prepare & agree 3 year Action plan aligned to Community Plan	April 16	Members		Action plan produced

	Review of Action plan against 3 year action plan	Dec 16/17/18	Members		Action plan reviewed & evaluated Full alignment with Community Plan and DEA structure at end of current term (2019)
	Produce & Circulate Annual Report	April 17/18/19	Staff	£3000	Identified groups received copy
	Develop Promotional Leaflet to communicate work of PCSP	June 2016		£2500	Increased numbers aware of members and work of PCSP
	Develop Social media presence	Ongoing			Regular updates posted and membership / readership increases annually

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Strategic Priority:	To Improve Community safety by tackling crime and anti-social behaviour
Outcome:	Comprehensive actions and initiatives to address crime and fear of crime for all residents
Indicators:	Reduction in ASB & Crime, (PSNI stats forming baseline) increased reporting, number of programmes delivered and number of participants

Actions	Tasks	Target Date	Lead	Resource Required	Performance Measures
ASB Action plans	Evidence based action plans developed and delivered	4 per year	Members / Staff	£20000	4 action plans delivered Reduction in ASB Community consultation process % reduction in ASB in targeted areas
Youth Engagement	Diversionsary youth engagement projects developed	Ongoing and seasonal	Members / Staff	£25,000	No of programme delivered No of participants Monitor incidents of ASB before, during and after
Seasonal intervention grants	Develop criteria	April / May 16/17/18/19	Members / Staff Programme Unit	£17,000	No of projects funded Build the capacity of groups to deliver local projects tackling local problems Monitor incidents of ASB before, during & after

					with view to ensuring reduction
Support Initiatives to Tackle Drugs and Alcohol	Develop awareness raising campaign	October 16 with ongoing roll out	Members / Staff	£60,000	Review effectiveness of ongoing awareness raising
	Develop and promote partnership approach	Ongoing			Effective partnerships functioning, meeting regularly, well attended etc
	Support Purple Flag safety strands	June 2016			Reaccreditation for Newry City Accreditation for additional urban centre
	Support Street pastor projects throughout the District	Ongoing			Street pastor schemes operational in upto 4 urban centres
	Promote Get Home Safe	Ongoing			Majority of school in district availing and % of students attending presentations
	Procure Community warden scheme	May 2016			Tender process followed
	Deliver Community warden scheme	Ongoing			Community warden service delivered during peak times in designated hotspot areas No of enforcements reviewed Monitor incidents of ASB & other crime during

					deployment
To raise awareness of gender based crimes	Procure delivery of intervention programme	Ongoing	Members / Staff	£15,000	Tender process followed
	Successful delivery of programme		External provider		No of participants benefiting from intervention programme
	To support Safe Place Initiative		Members / Staff		Increase in no of businesses and community groups signing up to Safe Place
	To encourage reporting by increasing awareness				Increased awareness in community Effective partnerships working
	Roll out with out consent its rape				% no. of school / students attending presentations
Hate Crime Initiatives to reduce incidents	Tailored crime prevention advice to encourage reporting	Ongoing with specific emphasis on designated days	Members / Staff	£3000	Monitor incidents and effectiveness of support provided
	Coordinate multi agency approaches				Effective partnership working
	Engage with vulnerable				No of engagements with

	groups				vulnerable groups recorded
To develop interventions aimed at improving road safety and reducing fatal road collisions	Input into and support multi agency initiatives	Ongoing with specific emphasis on Road Safety Week (Nov)	Members / Staff	£5000	Monitor number of fatal RTC Increased awareness
	Targeted awareness raising				% no. of people wearing high vis increased
	Promote Be Safe Be Seen				Effective multi agency approach working
Raising awareness of and informing the local community about how to reduce the risk of being burgled and fear of crime	Promote and deliver NHW schemes	Ongoing	Members / Staff	£10,000	Increase no of NHW schemes in district Decrease in numbers reporting to live in fear of crime
	Develop and support Community Safety Network	Quarterly meetings annually			Effective functioning of new network meeting four times per year, numbers attending
	Deliver Text Alert Scheme	Regular updates			Increased numbers signed up
	Promote Safe Shop & Constable Nemo	Ongoing			Monitor incidents and frequency of burglary
	To procure and extend Good Morning, Good Neighbour Scheme	Contract signed April 16	External provider	£15,000	No of beneficiaries on Good Morning Scheme
	To procure and extend home safety initiatives	Contract signed April	External	£25,000	No of beneficiaries who have had home secured

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	CCTV	Ongoing	SPP	£0	Regular reports received
To highlight incidences of rural crime in the locality and develop range of interventions to reduce it prevalence	To promote and extend Farm Watch	Ongoing	Staff / Membe rs	£5000	Increase number of Farm Watch schemes
	To promote and extend Trailer Marking				Increase in number of trailers marked
	Extend freezebranding district wide				Decrease in cattle theft
Improved community safety services to vulnerable groups	Targeted and tailored initiatives based on specific need	When identified	Membe rs / staff	£4150	All reactionary elements have built in evaluation to ensure effectiveness of intervention

Appendix 2: Local Strategic Priority Action Plan - Template

Strategic Priority:	To support community confidence in policing
Outcome:	Increased confidence in policing
Indicators:	Attendance at public events, increased reporting, media coverage

Actions	Tasks	Target Date	Lead	Resource Required	Performance Measures
To improve the confidence of local policing across NMD	Engagement activities to promote confidence	Ongoing	Members / Staff	£10,000	Review local Policing Plan
	Promote the work of the PCSP	Ongoing			Media Coverage
To carry out public consultation and engagement	Undertake local community safety and policing consultation	Ongoing		£10,000	No.s attending engagement events
	Link with the Community Plan & DEA fora	Oct / Nov 16/17/18/19			No of engagement activities/ public meetings & no.s attending recorded
	Hold at least 2 public meetings on specific policing issue including police performance	Annually 16/17/18/19			Effective working relationship with DEA Attendance at public meetings
Working with partners to	Monitor PSNI against Policing Plan	Bi monthly		£5000	Policing Committee effectively monitoring

monitor the progress of the PCSP and the Policing plan across district					PSNI against policing Plan.
					No.s attending meetings
	Develop / support multi agency response to ongoing work	Ongoing			Multi agency partnerships functioning regularly & effectively
					Reduction in ASB & Crime in the district
					Increased reporting and confidence in PSNI

Report to:	Newry, Mourne and Down PCSP
Subject:	Report of Funding Sub Group
Date:	17 May 2016
Reporting Officer:	Siobhán Fearon

Decisions Required

Report to be circulated at meeting

Report to:	Newry, Mourne and Down PCSP
Subject:	Establishment of sub groups
Date:	17 May 2016
Reporting Officer:	Siobhán Fearon

Decisions Required

Agree membership and meeting schedule for agreed sub groups

- Engagement
- ASB

Report to:	Newry, Mourne and Down PCSP
Subject:	Equality scheme
Date:	17 May 2016
Reporting Officer:	All

Decisions Required

For information discussion and noting

The Equality Commission is formally requesting a scheme and plan from PCSP.

The Commission has developed a model equality scheme which covers both the legal requirements of Schedule 9 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998 and the recommendations contained in our guide, Section 75 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998 - A Guide for Public Authorities, (April 2010)

PCSP is expected to begin an audit of inequalities to inform the identification and development of scheme action measures. These measures should of course be relevant to your functions and seek to address inequalities that exist for your service users and those affected by your policies and also promote equality of opportunity.

Report to:	Newry, Mourne and Down PCSP
Subject:	Date of Next Meeting
Date:	17 May 2016
Reporting Officer:	Siobhán Fearon

Decisions Required		
For Noting		
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