Notice Of Meeting

You are requested to attend the Policing and Community Safety Partnership meeting to be held on **Tuesday, 20th September 2016** at **7:00 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 26 July 2016 at 6.30pm

In attendance:	Terry Andrews, Newry, Mourne and Down District Council Audrey Byrne, Independent Member Jude Cumisky, Independent Member Sean Doran, Newry, Mourne and Down District Council Sinead Ennis, Newry, Mourne and Down District Council Martin Fahy, Education Authority NI Harry Harvey, Newry, Mourne and Down District Council Michael Heaney, Youth Justice Agency Mickey Larkin, Newry, Mourne and Down District Council Kate Loughran, Newry, Mourne and Down District Council Una Kelly, Independent Member Owen McDonnell, NIHE Daniel McEvoy, Independent Member Grace McQuiston, Independent Member Fergal O'Brien, Southern Health & Social Care Trust Brian Quinn, Newry, Mourne and Down District Council (Chair) Paul Reid, Superintendent, PSNI Fiona Stephens, Independent Member
Also in attendance:	Janine Hillen, Assistant Director for Community Engagement Siobhan Fearon, Partnership Manager Andrew Kernaghan, PCSP Project Officer Caroline Taylor, Democratic Services Officer

1. Apologies and Chairman's Remarks

Apologies were received from:-

Daniel Brown, William Clarke, Laura Devlin, Katrina Hynds, Roisin Leckey, Michael Lipsett, Lesley McCombe, Ewan Morgan, Rod O'Hare, David Taylor and Brendan Whittle.

- The Chairman welcomed all Members to his first meeting as Chair. The results of the Vice-Chair Election were noted and Dan McEvoy welcomed back as Vice-Chair for the incoming year.
- The Letter of Offer was received in early June, and a number of busy meetings had been held since the Partnership last met to progressing the work of the sub groups as well as the important work progressing alignment of PCSP and our position as thematic group for safety and good relations with wider community planning.

- The visioning exercise in Newcastle followed by the all day workshop on 23rd June gave a lot of food for thought in how to progress in these areas and there would be more work to follow in this area.
- The role of the Independent Members and opportunities to play a more active role in events and programmes supported and run by PCSP would be addressed later in the agenda.
- Ms Wendy Osbourne, Independent Member of the Northern Ireland Policing Board would be joining the Policing Committee later. Wendy was the Chief Executive Officer for Volunteer Now and had worked within the voluntary & community sector for over 25 years, indeed earning an OBE in 2001 for her services to volunteering.
- Daniel Brown who had served as the graduate placement student these past 10 months was leaving to take up a post with Police Scotland. Dan had been an enthusiastic, energetic and committed member of the PCSP staff team.
- The Chairperson thanked the previous Chairman, Mickey Larkin for his hard work as the outgoing Chair of the PCSP.

3. Minutes of PCSP Meeting held on 17 May 2016

Read: Minutes of PCSP Meeting held on 17 May 2016.

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

4. <u>Matters Arising</u>

The PCSP Manager, Ms Fearon, requested that the Equality Scheme could be sent out for consultation and to Members at the same time.

ACTION It was AGREED on the PROPOSAL of Terry Andrews, SECONDED by Harry Harvey, that the Equality Scheme would be sent out for consultation and to Members at the same time.

5. Letter of Offer

Read: Report by Siobhan Fearon dated 26 July 2016 regarding Letter of Offer.

Ms Fearon said the Letter of Offer for PCSP funding 1 April 2016 – 31 March 2017 had been received from the Joint Committee and had been signed and accepted by the Newry, Mourne and Down District Council Chief Executive, Mr Liam Hannaway.

In response to a query from Dan McEvoy, Ms Fearon confirmed the Members meeting expenses would be the same as last year, up to a maximum of £24,000.

ACTION: It was NOTED that the Letter of Offer had been received from the Joint Committee and signed by the Chief Executive of Newry, Mourne and Down District Council.

6. Legislative Change to Justice Act re Debt Relief Act

Read: Report by Ms Fearon dated 26 July 2016 regarding Legislative Change to Justice Act re Debt Relief Act.

ACTION: The legislative change to the Justice Act as a consequence of Debt Relief Act 2010 were NOTED.

7. Criminal Justice Inspectorate ASB Follow Up Review

Read: Report by Siobhan Fearon dated 26 July 2016 regarding the Criminal Justice Inspectorate ASB Follow up Review.

After discussion between the Members, Dan McEvoy suggested consulting the Joint Committee for guidance and direction on which sub-group would be best to discuss the Operational Recommendations, and then on their advice, a sub-group could be chosen to refer to.

ACTION: It was AGREED on the PROPOSAL of Dan McEvoy, SECONDED by Terry Andrews, that the Operational Recommendations be referred back to the Joint Committee for guidance and direction on which sub-group would be best placed to discuss them.

8. Fresh Start Panel Report on disbandment of Paramilitary Groups

Read: Report by Ms Fearon dated 26 July 2016 regarding Fresh Start Panel Report on the disbandment of Paramilitary Groups.

Ms Fearon advised that this information and arising actions were to be considered by the Joint Committee and would need to be considered by the PCSP at a later meeting when all information was available.

ACTION: The publication and recommendations of Fresh Start Panel Report on the Disbandment of Paramilitary Groups in Northern Ireland was NOTED.

9. Officer Report

Read: Report by Ms Fearon dated 26 July 2016 regarding Officer Report.

Community Safety Wardens

In response to a query from Dan McEvoy, Ms Fearon explained the tender was to secure delivery of Community Safety Warden contract

Terry Andrews welcomed the fact that Community Safety Wardens were coming back as it took the pressure off the Enforcement Officers.

In response to further queries, Ms Fearon advised :

- There is a Community Safety Warden currently in place along with Enforcement Officers
- The delivery of Community Safety Warden project is through Action Plan funding from the Department of Justice as agreed in submitted plan.

Janine Hillen explained the history of the Community Safety Wardens in Down legacy area, specific funding had been applied for through DOJ, and a Community Safety Warden employed, part funded through Environmental Health Department: The warden was not allowed to go out alone and had to be part of a team, linking in with Enforcement officers. Wardens were not to operate after 10pm and after this time private hire service would kick in. DOJ had withdrawn this funding, over 2 years ago.

In response to queries from Audrey Byrne, Ms Fearon said the wardens would target hot spot areas in the night time economy and act on information coming from the PSNI and the PCSP.

Ms Hillen advised that the contract could be reviewed in 12 months.

Ms Fearon added the NIHE also contributed to the funding for the post.

Paul Reid added there were regular meetings with PCSP officers and neighbourhood teams to address issues within each DEA and in planning for significant events, the Warden was seen as another deployable asset that could be incorporated into the planning process.

- ACTION: A review of the contract for the Community Safety Wardens would be carried out after 12 months.
- ACTION: A breakdown of the role of the Community Safety Warden would be circulated to Members.

10. Communication/Role of Members

Read: Report by Ms Fearon dated 26 July 2016 regarding Communications, Role of Members and attendance at Meetings.

Dan McEvoy explained that the PCSP Independent Members had met with PCSP officers to discuss their involvement and what greater input they could offer to the PCSP to enrich their role and promote the role of the PCSP in general. He said that whilst the Independent Members understood the Partnership was strategic, it was felt that a grass roots approach was needed and the proposals were a way of improving communication.

Mickey Larkin expressed concerns regarding the focus of the Engagement Sub-Group, saying he hoped its focus would not solely be on PR opportunities as detailed in the report, but that it should engage with communities to explore their problems.

ACTION: It was AGREED on the PROPOSAL of Dan McEvoy, SECONDED by Fiona Stephens:

- That the membership of the new sub-groups would be reviewed and the Engagement Sub-Group could focus on PR opportunities to promote the work of the PCSP.
- A monthly schedule of events would be circulated.
- Statutory Members would be requested to make a short presentation on their work and how it related to the PCSP.
- Community Safety would be a standing agenda item on DEA meetings to feed into the work of the PCSP.

11. Clarity on Claimable Expenses

Read: Report by Ms Fearon dated 26 July 2016 regarding clarity on claimable expenses.

Ms Fearon explained that Elected and Independent Members were entitled to claim meeting and mileage expense in carrying out their duties. Members had a meeting allowance of 20, whilst the Chair and Vice-Chair had an allowance of 30. She advised that depending upon nominations to the sub-groups, Members could potentially go over their quota of 20 meetings.

In response to questions from Members, Ms Fearon responded as follows:

- If a Member exceeded the limit of 20 meetings, they could not claim meeting and mileage expenses.
- The entitlement was from 1 April 2016 to 31 March 2017.
- The budget could not be carried over from year to year. When expenses were submitted on a quarterly basis, then the monies were claimed back. What was not claimed was retained by the Policing Board.
- Members of the sub-groups were required to attend consecutive meetings in order to retain their membership
- The PCSP decides how many formal meetings to hold and it was a PCSP decision earlier on in the year to meet more frequently.

Terry Andrews said the claimable expenses system was unfair and discriminatory on the PCSP Members who were dedicated to carrying out their role and asked if this could be relayed to the DOJ.

In response to a query from Fiona Stephens, Ms Fearon asked that if Members were unsure how many meetings they had attended since 1 April 2016, to contact her.

Dan McEvoy suggested the Chair of PCSP write to Council to request Council to contribute towards the budget that would then allow an increase in attendance.

Grace McQuiston said the issue was dependent upon how effective the Policing Board expected the PCSP to be. If they wanted the PCSP to take on board anti-social behaviour, then sub-groups were required. She also said time and money should be invested at the start of the year for research and development.

Sean Doran pointed out that any increase was not budgeted for in the rates.

Ms Fearon suggested including writing to the Joint Committee as well as Council.

Fergal O'Brien asked that the number of meetings would be quantified.

Jude Cumisky said it was important to consider whether or not a quorum would be required at the sub-groups.

ACTION: It was AGREED on the PROPOSAL of Dan McEvoy, SECONDED by Grace McQuiston:

- That the Chair of PCSP writes to the Joint Committee and to Council requesting a contribution towards the budget which would then allow an increase in meeting attendance.
- That an average costing per Member for attending a meeting in Newry and in Downpatrick would be provided to Members.

12. Engagement Sub-Group

Read: Report by Andrew Kernaghan dated 26 July 2016 regarding Engagement Sub-Group

Dan McEvoy said the concerns previously expressed by Mickey Larkin regarding the focus on PR opportunities by the Engagement Sub-Group should be clarified along with the query over whether a quorum was required for sub-groups.

Ms Fearon advised that it was up to the PCSP to decide the Terms of Reference for each sub-group. There were 9 members on each, but it could be a smaller number.

Dan McEvoy said it was important to keep to the membership previously agreed which was 1 member from each political party.

In response to concerns made by Jude Cumisky regarding attendance of members at sub-groups, Ms Fearon said this issue had been considered when the dates were being set, and had to take account of other Council and Committee meetings.

In response to Brian Quinn's query, Ms Fearon said if 5 sub-groups were attended as the Chair and 13 PCSP's that would leave 2 discretionary meetings up to the allowance of 20. She added that the Chairs of the sub-groups would be elected in August.

Jude Cumisky expressed concerns regarding Objective 3 being delivered through the Engagement Sub-Group as she was conscious of the objectives around education, saying the recommendation was about education and it may be better placed being addressed through the Anti-Social Behaviour Sub-Group.

ACTION: It was AGREED on the PROPOSAL of Dan McEvoy, SECONDED by Grace McQuiston, that the Terms of Reference for the Engagement Sub-Group, be approved.

All Members of the Engagement Sub-Group confirmed they were happy to continue to sit on the sub-group.

13. Anti-Social Behaviour Sub-Group

Read: Report by Katrina Hynds dated 26 July 2016 regarding Anti-Social Behaviour Sub-Group.

Dan McEvoy advised that at the meeting, Katrina Hynds had undertaken to provide Members with statistics from the PSNI on areas requiring intervention, especially in relation to the 3 main project areas the sub-group were adopting. He further advised Fiona Stephens had stepped down from this sub-group.

- ACTION: It was AGREED on the PROPOSAL of Terry Andrews, SECONDED by Dan McEvoy, that the Terms of Reference for the Anti-Social Behaviour Sub-Group, be approved.
- ACTION: It was AGREED on the PROPOSAL of Dan McEvoy, SECONDED by Harry Harvey that Jude Cumisky be appointed to the Anti-Social Behaviour Sub-Group to replace Fiona Stephens.

14. Request to Establish Bonfire Liaison Committee

Read: Report by Siobhán Fearon dated 26 July 2016 regarding Request to Establish a Bonfire Liaison Committee. Ms Fearon advised that this request to establish a Bonfire Liaison Committee had arisen from a DEA Forum and Council had requested that the PCSP give the matter consideration.

A discussion ensued, during which Members made the following points:

- This was a useful forum for statutory agencies and bodies.
- Would there be enough Members to sit on another sub-group?
- An officer of Council would be required to sit on the group.
- The committee should be fairly represented and inclusive.
- Were Councillors willing to fund this committee?
- In the Down Legacy Council there was a Beacon Group, but Council no longer directly supported a bonfire/beacon programme.
- The effectiveness of the bonfire liaison committee could be questioned what could it offer the communities?
- There was funding available to the NIHE for some beacon schemes, but the scheme was only recently up and running and it was only available on NIHE land. Some schemes had been tried this year and monies withheld where rules were not adhered to.
- Would the Terms of Reference be ready for discussion at the September meeting?
- Similar committee structures in other council areas could be explored.
- Could the Bonfire Liaison Committee be a sub-committee of the Engagement Sub-Committee?
- Officers could avail of the help of people who had undertaken a lot of work in this area and invited along at meetings to give contributions.
- Some of the groups would not want PCSP members working with them as it was a very sensitive area.

ACTION: It was AGREED:

- That an options paper be brought back to the PCSP Committee. In the meantime, officers would continue to operate to support groups dealing with bonfires.
- That people who had undertaken previous work in these matters could be invited along to meetings to give contributions.

15. Peace IV Request

- Read: Report by Ms Fearon dated 26 July 2016 regarding the request from Peace IV.
- ACTION: It was AGREED on the PROPOSAL of Dan McEvoy, SECONDED by Sean Doran, that the PCSP works in tandem with Peace IV on complementary areas as a statutory partner
- 16. <u>CCTV</u>

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Read: Report by Ms Fearon dated 26 July 2016 regarding CCTV.

ACTION: It was AGREED to NOTE the CCTV Report.

17. Date of Next Meeting

Ms Fearon advised that the date of the next meeting would be 20 September 2016.

Dan McEvoy advised that the Downpatrick Neighbourhood Renewal Presentation would now be made at the meeting on 20 September 2016.

There being no further business, the meeting finished at 8.05pm.

Report to:	Policing & Community Safety Partnership	
Date of Meeting:	20th September 2016	
Subject:	Declaration of Interest	
Reporting Officer (Including Job Title):	Siobhán Fearon PCSP Manager	
Contact Officer (Including Job Title):	As above	

Decisions	s required:	
None for in	nformation	
1.0	Purpose and Background:	
1.1	That members declare any interest in any items on agenda	
2.0	Key issues:	
2.1	n/a	
3.0	Recommendations:	
3.1	n/a	
4.0	Resource implications	
4.1	None	
5.0	Equality and good relations implications:	
5.1	None	
6.0	Appendices	
	None	

Report to:	Policing & Community Safety Partnership
Date of Meeting:	20th September 2016
Subject:	Neighbourhood Renewal Presentation (Downpatrick)
Reporting Officer	Siobhán Fearon
(Including Job Title):	PCSP Manager
Contact Officer	David Patterson DEA Coordinator Downpatrick
(Including Job Title):	

Decisions r	required:	
None; for inf	formation	
1.0	Purpose and Background:	
1.1	To complete information on Neighbourhood Renewal across the District	
2.0	Key issues:	
2.1	None	
3.0	Recommendations:	
3.1	n/a	
4.0	Resource implications	
4.1	None	
5.0	Equality and good relations implications:	
5.1	None	
6.0	Appendices	
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Report to:	Policing & Community Safety Partnership
Date of Meeting:	20th September 2016
Subject:	Youth Justice Agency Update - Michael Heaney
Reporting Officer (Including Job Title):	Siobhán Fearon PCSP Manager
Contact Officer (Including Job Title):	As above

Decisions	required:
None – for	information
1.0	Purpose and Background:
1.1	At July meeting PCSP it was agreed that Statutory members would be requested to make short presentation on their work and how it relates to PCSP
2.0	Key issues
2.1	n/a
3.0	Recommendations:
3.1	n/a
4.0	Resource implications
4.1	N/a
5.0	Equality and good relations implications:
5.1	n/a
6.0	Appendices
	Youth Justice Information Leaflet (hard copy to be circulated at meeting)

Report to:	Policing & Community Safety Partnership
Date of Meeting:	20th September 2016
Subject:	Training Chair / Vice Chair
Reporting Officer	Dan McEvoy
(Including Job Title):	Vice Chair
Contact Officer	Siobhán Fearon
(Including Job Title):	PCSP Manager

Decisions	required:
To update	members on training provided to Chair and Vice Chair by NIPB
1.0	Purpose and Background:
1.1	To update members on training provided to Chair and Vice Chair by NIPB
2.0	Key issues:
2.1	
3.0	Recommendations:
3.1	
4.0	Resource implications
4.1	None
5.0	Equality and good relations implications:
5.1	None
6.0	Appendices

Report to:	Policing & Community Safety Partnership
Date of Meeting:	20th September 2016
Subject:	Officer Report
Reporting Officer (Including Job Title):	Siobhan Fearon PCSP Manager
Contact Officer (Including Job Title):	Andrew Kernaghan PCSP Officer Katrina Hynds PCSP Officer

Decisions	required:	
For discuss	ion and noting and approval	
1.0	Purpose and Background:	
1.1	To provide and update on progress of PCSP Action Plan since previous meeting	
2.0	Key issues:	
2.1	Updates provided under following sections of Action Plan ASB Community Safety Wardens Seasonal Interventions Burglary/ Neighbourhood Watch / Rural Crime Drugs & Alcohol Awareness Night time Economy Domestic & Sexual Violence Road Safety Rural Crime 	
3.0	Recommendations:	
3.1	Note and approve report	
4.0	Resource implications	
4.1	As agreed in Action Plan	
5.0	Equality and good relations implications:	
5.1	n/a	
6.0	Appendices	
	Appendix II : Officer Report	

Appendix II PCSP Officer Report 20th September 2016

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

Partnership Development

ASB & Engagement Sub Groups met

Regular social media updates on Facebook and development of Twitter profile ongoing

Press Releases on following issued to all media outlets:

- Chair & Vice Chair appointments
- Hate Crime
- Domestic Violence seminar
- Article published in Down Recorder

Monthly events schedule circulated

Strategic Objective 2 – to improve community safety by tackling crime and anti-social behaviour

ASB Initiatives

Youth Engagement Programmes

The Youth Diversionary Friday night programme (Bubble football) took place in 5 of the 8 planned areas, with two additional events scheduled in Newry Area. South Armagh and South Down events to be re-scheduled in coming weeks. Safety talks included for the most part drugs and alcohol. Programme rolled out in, Bosco Youth club, Drumaness, Saul, Ballyhornan & Killyleagh

Bessbrook ASB

A public meeting arranged by the PSNI was held in Bessbrook Community Centre 6th September regarding ASB in Bessbrook and particular housing estates. NIHE-Clanmil, PSNI, PCSP and local councillors attended. The meeting was arranged to look for a cohesive community planning and community development approach to the issues in these areas re drugs etc. From the meeting a clinic is planned to be held in conjunction with the Bessbrook Community Association as well as further public meetings to talk about ASB in similar areas that have turned around the issues to positive outcomes

Anti-Social Behaviour Action Plans

The ASB Sub Group held their second meeting on 18 August whereby they agreed to roll out an Action Plan in Carnagat, Castlewellan Road, Newcastle and Ballymote,

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Downpatrick. The decision was based on the statistical information gathered from PSNI and NIFRS. The first meeting of the stakeholders and community groups have been organised for the last week in September and first week in October.

Community Safety Wardens

The assessment panel met and appointed preferred bidder. Currently in standstill period responding to queries from unsuccessful bidders.

Seasonal Interventions

All applicants for PSCP small grants have been informed of outcome and successful applicants have received their letter of offer at this stage.

Drugs & Alcohol

PCSP are working in partnership with the PSNI, the Trust and ASCERT to install 5 RAPID bins within the Newry Mourne & Down area. RAPID bins (Remove all Prescription & Illegal Drugs) promote the removal of prescription medication, illegal drugs and psychoactive substances. The premises in which they are placed will be monitored.

A Drugs/Alcohol Roadshow has been organised for October in SERC Downpatrick. Invitations will be sent to the Post Primary Schools in Downpatrick. Meetings have taken place with representatives from Downpatrick High Schools regarding concerns of drug abuse/sales in the Downpatrick bus station. This Roadshow will link in with these issues.

Night time Economy

Newry City Centre were successful in retaining Purple Flag following external overnight assessment on 13th August 2016.

Meetings are being organised with local groups regarding street pastor projects throughout the district

Domestic and Sexual Violence

The PCSP, in partnership with South Eastern Domestic Violence Partnership and County Down Rural Community Network, organised a Domestic Violence Seminar in the Burrendale Hotel, Newcastle on 15 September. The guest speaker was Zoe Lodrick, a registered psychotherapist and experienced trainer/consultant in domestic violence and sexual abuse. Over 170 people throughout the district who deal with these issues on a daily basis attended the seminar.

One staying safe "Without Consent" and "One Punch" presentation is scheduled for schools in Slieve Gullion DEA in November. All post primary schools in district have been contacted to offer same and these will be scheduled in accordingly. Any member who as completed this training and would like to facilitate a session please let Katrina know.

Road Safety

Road Safe NI are in process of re-branding and relaunching and the local branch are extending their geographical area to reflect new council boundaries. Work ongoing to plan for Road Safety Week in November

Neighbourhood Watch

Work on NHW welcome pack nearing completion and will be available for Community Safety Network on 8th November in Newcastle. A joint letter from PCSP and PSNI was issued to all co-ordinators to reassure them of their value and to express our appreciation of their voluntary commitment (attached)

Rural Crime

Work ongoing with NHW coordinators in rural areas to promote Farmwatch and Trailer marking

Hate Crime

PCSP continues to be attend and participate at NM & D Intercultural forum in Newcastle. PCSP members participated in Pride Celebrations in Newry City on 3rd September

Strategic Objective 3 – To support community confidence in policing

Coffee with Cops engagement has been reviewed and now taking place on fortnightly basis. Monthly schedule to be updated and circulated to reflect same.

Linkages with Community Planning process continues, the next workshop is scheduled for November.

PCSP staff are currently collating dates for DEA public fora and liaising with PSNI to carry out consultation on policing to inform both PCSP action planning and Policing Plan for 2017-18.

PCSP working with PSNI LPT teams training sessions to promote the detail of the PCSP action plan. This is a continuance of the work that was carried out with NPT teams across the District last year.







26th August 2016

Dear Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator,

You recently received some correspondence re: the continuance of your Neighbourhood Watch scheme

The objective of this letter was to ascertain the accuracy of existing schemes and attempt much needed updating of the central database on a Northern Ireland wide basis. However having considered locally, and spoken to a number of you who have expresses concern, it was felt that the tone and content of the letter was somewhat misguided and certainly did not place the importance and value of your voluntary contribution to keeping our communities safe at the centre of it.

There were also administrative errors which led to those currently within their accreditation period or just reaching the end of it, and indeed a small number who had already submitted their paperwork for processing receiving the letter.

In light of this confusion and concerns raised, we here in Newry, Mourne and Down, wish to make clear to you all individually, that your voluntary commitment as coordinator is both appreciated and valued by all of us in the PSNI and PCSP and we hope you will continue in your role as coordinator for many years to come.

We have been working, as you will be aware, on ways to address the challenges that working in a much larger district has brought, particularly in the areas of communications. The PCSP and PSNI have worked in partnership locally to develop methods to support all aspects of our collective work; we have revamped and updated the newsletter and established the Community Safety Network as a means to bring you together to discuss community safety and policing in your area. We are about to re-launch the Text Alert scheme and are also working on updating the NHW manual and additional supports for you as you carry out your work.

Ongoing initiatives to protect our communities and support people, especially more vulnerable members of our community to feel safe continue to be funded and promoted. This includes Home Secure Scheme, Good Morning Good Neighbour

scheme, crime prevention seminars as well as general tips and advice on community safety. In short, our Neighbourhood Watch schemes are at the heart of a range of initiatives designed and delivered with the aim of reducing the number of residents who live in fear of crime and indeed preventing crime through your vigilance and community spirit.

We hope you will be able to join us at our next Community Safety Network meeting on 8th November in Newcastle, details of which will be forwarded to you closer to the time.

In the meantime if you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the PCSP office on 02830313073 or your local PSNI officer on 101

Thank you for your continued contribution to Neighbourhood Watch.

Kind Regards,

Cllr Brian QuinnSuperintendent Paul ReidChairDistrict CommanderPolicing and Community Safety PartnershipNewry, Mourne & Down

Report to:	Policing & Community Safety Partnership
Date of Meeting:	20th September 2016
Subject:	Engagement Sub Group
Reporting Member (Including Job Title):	Grace McQuiston Chair Engagement Sub Group
Contact Officer (Including Job Title):	Andrew Kernaghan PCSP Officer

Decisions	required:		
Note the w	vork of the Sub Group		
1.0	Purpose and Background:		
1.1	Engagement Sub Group met on 16 th August in Newcastle		
2.0	Key issues:		
2.1	As detailed in notes		
3.0	Recommendations:		
4.0	Resource implications		
4.1	As per action plan	As per action plan	
5.0	Equality and good relations implications:		
5.1	None		
6.0	Appendices		
	Appendix III: Engagement Sub Group Notes (DRAFT)		

Notes form Engagement sub Group 16-08-2016

Newcastle Centre

Attendance

Grace McQuiston Audrey Byrne Cllr Sinead Ennis Cllr Harry Harvey Cllr Brian Quinn Fiona Stephens Ewan Morgan

In attendance Siobhán Fearon

Apologies

Cllr David Taylor

Martin Fahy

Election of Chair

Grace McQuiston was deemed Chair by consensus

It was noted that quorum as agreed under terms of reference is on third of membership which is 3

Objectives were considered

- · To raise the profile and understanding of the PCSP
- To ensure accountability by engaging with local communities on the PCSP Action Plan
- To ensure that PCSP delivery reflects the involvement, views and priorities of local communities and in particular hard to reach groups and young people and those covered under Section 75
- To ensure effective engagement opportunities with the police, other relevant statutory bodies and local communities
- To explore and maximise opportunities for communicating the PCSP's strategies and objectives and manage expectations

Discussion took place on how to best deliver on the objectives, a number of points were notes

 Noted new consultation questionnaire as approved by PCSP, suggestion that results of questionnaires carried our between meetings could be presented at bi-monthly subgroups for consideration and to support identifying gaps

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- List to be compiled of those who responded to transitional questionnaire last year (noted this was not as comprehensive as previous)
- Noted role of DEA Fora re engagement but
- Need to have contact with groups that are not attending DEA fora, (although noted extensive work has been carried out by DEA level re identifying, updating and compiling list of community and voluntary groups)
- Need to target hard to reach groups and one who would not normally engage (e.g. Orange Order, GAA)
- Looked at upcoming meeting in September for potential engagement (to be updated before recirculation to members)
- Discussion on identifying other potential events eg Threshing Day
- PCSP should be visible ie wear High –Vis vests
- Discussion on whether PCSP should bringing public to existing events or targeting public in own communities
- Discussion on engagement versus/ and PR role for Engagement sub group
- Look to other PCSPs to se how they carry out engagement
- Noted Andrew as PCSP officer should be central point of contact for group

Action Points for next meeting

Each member to identify 3 hard to reach groups within district to tell about PCSP and raise profile of PCSP

Andrew to contact other PCSPs re how they carry out engagement

List of Transitional year consultees to be forwarded

Results of any completed questionnaires to be made available to next meeting

Report to:	Policing & Community Safety Partnership
Date of Meeting:	20th September 2016
Subject:	ASB Sub Group
Reporting Member	Cllr Terry Andrews
(Including Job Title):	ASB Sub Group Chair
Contact Officer	Katrina Hynds
(Including Job Title):	PCSP Officer

Decisions	required:
Note the w	ork of the meeting
1.0	Purpose and Background:
1.1	ASB Sub Group met on 16 th August in Newcastle
2.0	Key issues:
2.1	As detailed in attached
3.0	Recommendations:
3.1	None
4.0	Resource implications
4.1	As per action plan
5.0	Equality and good relations implications:
5.1	None
6.0	Appendices
	Appendix IV:
	ASB Minutes DRAFT

Policing & Community Safety Partnership

Anti-Social Behaviour Subgroup

Minutes of ASB Sub-Group held on Thursday 18 August 2016 at 6.30 pm in The Newcastle Centre

In Attendance: Terry Andrews (Chair) Daniel McEvoy (Vice Chair) Willie Clarke (Councillor) Harry Harvey (Councillor) Grace McQuinston (Independent) Owen McDonnell (NIHE) Bronagh Magorrian (NIHE)

The Meeting concluded at 9.00 pm

1. Apologies

None.

2. Appointment of Chair and Vice Chair

Members agreed that the Chair of Council would alternate between the SDLP, SF & DUP elected representatives. Dan McEvoy (independent) was appointed as Vice Chair.

Councillor Andrews assumed the position of Chair.

3. Updated Statistics

Katrina presented the statistics for the months of April/May/June for Ballymote, Carnagat and Castlewellan Road, Newcastle. She also presented the 'call out' figures from the NIFRS for Ballymote and Castlewellan Road.

Action: NIFRS figures for Carnagat to be brought to next meeting.

Owen stated that 234 incidents were reported to the NIHE during the year 2015/16. These included damage to property, noise nuisance, nuisance in public spaces and dumping of rubbish.

In Newry there were 157 incidents reported, however, only 12 of these were anti-social behaviour. There is an issue with people reporting incidents and therefore the stats are not representing the level of ASB in the area.

Throughout the NIHE property there is a problem with tenants completing diaries in relation to noise and dumping concerns. It takes a long period of time for the NIHE to build up a case to take to court, therefore the complainant gets frustrated and stops completing diaries. They also use community statements which are more effective as tenants are hesitant to make formal complaints. This evidence is compiled with other information from other statutory bodies such as the Council's Environmental Health Department and the PSNI.

Action: Obtain figures from Environmental Health on the number of complaints received in these areas in relation to noise, dumping, etc. Representatives from department of Environmental Health to be invited to attend next meeting.

4. Updating on Issues in Each Area:

Ballymote

Although Ballymote was relatively quiet for a period of time, incidents of ASB are on the rise again. Only recently stone throwing has reoccurred. Several streets lights have been smashed and fences knocked down. There is also an issue now with young drivers using the car park of the Ballymote Shopping Centre to drive recklessly.

There is youth provision in the Ballymote Centre 6 nights per week. However, the older youth involved are not keen to attend these as they are too structured. During the summer both the Downpatrick Community Collective and the Youth Service ran summer schemes. At the public meeting they expressed the need for an area where they can 'hang out' without causing a nuisance. Work has been ongoing in the estates and agencies have already been working together on these issues. ABCs have been issued to some of the young people and the NIHE have issued warnings to the parents of the culprits in relation to their breach of tenancy agreement. The NIHE & PSNI also attended the local High Schools to discuss the ASB. There was a problem with noise around the local shop, however, the police confiscated their music system and organised with the local shop keeper to change and protect his wifi code.

There are good relationships between some of the youth and the PSNI Officers. Some of the youth previously involved in the ASB now take part in the Youth Service programme and refrain from the ASB.

Fear of crime events took place with the elderly and many of them availed of the PCSP's Home Secure Project. The YMCA (Drugs & Alcohol Team) are providing some outreach work, along with the PSNI.

There are concerns in the Ballymote area regarding alleygating, in particular around the Islandbane Walk area. A meeting is to be organised with relevant authorities to address the issue.

Members felt that as well as organising stakeholder meetings it would be beneficial to meet with the young people involved in the ASB to try and organise a way forward. Also try and arrange for some of older peers to talk to the youth and their experiences. Look at organising a football project, whereby older peers would be involved in.

Castlewellan Road, Newcastle

A lot of problems within the area arise from adults. Groups such as Surestart and Homestart have been working with the residents to address some of these issues.

The youth provision for this area has recently been awarded to the YMCA. They have renovated a premise at the roundabout and run youth nights. They also provide some outreach work during the weekend. The PCSP have been working along with the young people and the ARC Gardens on an environmental project, which ties in with the Council's Britain in Bloom application. This involves the planting and maintaining of planters on the Castlewellan Road. As part of this scheme the young people will also learn how to plant their own vegetables and maintain them. Once they are grown they will learn how to cook them.

Main area of concern is drug abuse/selling drugs.

A stakeholder meeting is to be organised in order to devise an Action Plan for the way forward.

Carnagat

There are ongoing issues with youths in the area. Owen advised that over the last 2 years they have been rolling out a BRIC Programme. An open letter was sent to residents of Parkhead asking for their co-operation. A Fun Day was held and there was refurbishment of the community house which is now used as a central point for activities and schemes. They also focused on flags, emblems and murals.

5. Any Other Business

Grace raised concerns about the levels of ASB within the Kilkeel area. Residents feel other areas within the town deserve same levels of funding to combat ASB but are being overlooked. This is fostering resentment in some cases - seemingly that bad behaviour is being rewarded by multiple agencies. She stated that the Walkway along the Harbour is an area of concern.

Katrina advised that the PCSP have been working with Community Groups and the PSNI in the area to roll out youth engagement programmes. These included Friday night diversionary programmes in Scrogg Road and Newry Street Unite. There was also a programme whereby young people were taken on a tour around the murals in Belfast. She also stated that when compiling statistics from the PSNI, there was very little for the Kilkeel area.

Terry stated that there has also been an increase in ASB in the Crossgar Area.

Action: Identify ownership of Walkway and Lower Square Car Park, Kilkeel

Meet with local DEA Officer and PSNI regarding issues of ASB in Crossgar

6. Agree a Way Forward

Members agreed that Officers organise an initial meeting with stakeholders in order to establish main areas of concern and to identify gaps and look at devising Action Plans for each area.

Actions: Stakeholder Meetings to be organised in the three Areas identified

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Report to:	Policing & Community Safety Partnership
Date of Meeting:	20th September 2016
Subject:	Request to establish Bonfire Liaison Committee
Reporting Officer	Katrina Hynds / Andrew Kernaghan
(Including Job Title):	PCSP Officer
Contact Officer	Katrina Hynds / Andrew Kernaghan
(Including Job Title):	PCSP Officer

Decisions	required:	
For PCSP to	consider the Options paper	
1.0	Purpose and Background:	
1.1	Council has requested PCSP examine the possibility of establishing a Bonfire Liaison Committee to work throughout the district	
	Council recognises this will include inviting members who are not sitting on PCSP and indeed actively encourage that all relevant agency representatives should have access	
	PCSP at previous meeting in July agreed that an options paper be taking into consideration points raised during discussion	
2.0	Key issues:	
2.1	As detailed in report	
3.0	Recommendations:	
3.1	Options for discussion	
4.0	Resource implications	
4.1	Staff resource	
	Meeting expenses	
	Potential of Peace IV support	
5.0	Equality and good relations implications:	
5.1	Screening required on establishment of Committee and subsequent terms of	
	reference	
6.0	Appendices	
	Appendix V:	
	Options Paper	

Options Paper

At the PCSP meeting held in July, Officers were asked to prepare options for consideration by Committee in relation to the establishment of a new Bonfire Liaison Committee.

Background

Legacy Council Policies

In both legacy council areas the Bonfire / Beacon funding was provided under Peace III.

In the legacy Down District Council a Bonfire Liaison Committee with a Terms of Reference existed. This was managed by the PCSP Members and included statutory bodies such as NIFRS, PSNI, NIHE, Environmental Health and Enforcement Officers. The Committee met on a quarterly basis to ensure there was a joint approach when dealing with bonfires throughout the district. Members of the Committee worked in partnership with the local community representatives to ensure a safer and more inclusive event.

Some of the groups within the Council area availed of the Bonfire / Beacons, and others remained with the traditional bonfire. As well as having a beacon/bonfire, the community groups could apply for upto $\pounds1,000$ grant towards a fun day on provision they signed up to the Bonfire/Beacon Agreement. Procurement for the fun day was carried out by the PCSP Officer.

The PCSP Officer, the NIFRS, the NIHE and Enforcement Officers carried out inspections of the bonfire sites to ensure safety was adhered to.

Under the legacy Newry and Mourne Council the beacons were also managed by the Peace III department. Peace III dealt with groups in partnership with PCSP or other relevant partner. Where beacons were on Council ground, insurance was covered under Council policy, where not, insurance and permission where required. The PSNI & NIFRS were also involved and met with Peace III & PCSP and the community groups to ensure safety was adhered to. Procurement and risk assessments etc was carried out by Peace III, some groups applied separately for additional funding under PCSP / Good Relations small grants and some events were directly funded via Peace III.

No bonfires were funded and all necessary site visits and follow up arrangement were carried out by Peace III staff in conjunction with relevant council official

2015-17 Policy

Council drafted an interim policy which was funded and managed via the PCSP in 2015-16 and this was extended to cover 2016-17, funded through Good Relations. Community groups could apply for up to \pounds 750, (\pounds 500 for a diversionary event and \pounds 250 training event e.g. marshalling/first aid). PCSP staff were directly responsible for procurement and delivery of spend in Year 1.

Officers have approached other Councils for information on their protocols for dealing with bonfires. A report will be brought to the next meeting.

Attachments

- 1. Copy of Terms of Reference for legacy Down District Council
- 2. Copy of interim policy 2015-16/ 2016-2017

Options for Consideration

That PCSP consider:

- A new Bonfire Liaison Committee is established and managed by PCSP. It should include capped nominees from both PSCP & Council, other stakeholder groups ie PSNI, NIHE, Housing Associations, Environmental Health and NIFRS and will require extensive discussion and consultation to update the terms of reference
- A new Bonfire Liaison Committee is established and managed by Council. It will include members from other stakeholder groups ie PSNI, NIHE, Housing Associations, Environmental Health and NIFRS and will adhere to an updated Terms of Reference as outlined above
- The management of bonfires within the Newry Mourne & Down area falls within the remit of the PCSP Engagement Committee and dealt with via this sub groups, albeit with a wholly separate and an updated Terms of Reference (as outlined above)

Key Issues for any of the above points

Funding; any programme would need significant investment and this would need to be reflected in future PCSP action plan

Staff resource; Staffing in PCSP has been reduced under RPA, the resource implications for any actions would need to be considered

PCSP members expense allowance, members capped at 20 meetings per year

AGREEMENT BETWEEN NEWRY, MOURNE AND DOWN DISTRICT COUNCIL AND BONFIRE COMMITTEE (J Bonfire)

Newry, Mourne and Down District Council agrees:

To provide a support package which they will procure to the value of up to £750 incorporating elements such as training, a diversionary activity, good relations and physical control of materials which will be made available to organisers to encourage them to build upon the foundations established.

XXXXXXXXXXXXXXBonfire Committee agrees:

- a) To locate the bonfire at an agreed site with representatives from Newry, Mourne and Down District Council within a cordoned off area.
- b) To control the materials going onto the bonfire stockpile, ensuring that dangerous and unsuitable materials are excluded, in particular tyres, batteries, aerosol cans, items made of plastic and non-burnable material.
- c) To maintain the site so that litter does not create a problem.
- d) To have an adequate number of suitably training marshals on the night of the bonfire and maintain a safe environment for the people attending.
- e) To endeavour to ensure that there is no illegal dumping of inappropriate materials around the bonfire area. If dumping does occur, to report this to the Council's Environmental Health Department (03000 132233) at the earliest opportunity, and if possible, with information on anyone who has dumped such materials.
- f) To assist in the clean up the bonfire site following the celebrations.
- g) To return any marshalling equipment loaned from Newry, Mourne and Down District Council within five working days of the bonfire.

Signed on behalf of Newry, Mourne and Down District Council:

Name:	Position:	
Date:		

Signed on behalf of Bo	nfire Committee:
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Bonfire Liaison Committee

Terms of Reference

The role of the Bonfire Liaison Committee is to:

- To prepare a District wide plan to address the issue of celebratory bonfires in Down.
- To monitor and review the plan and provide recommendations to the Partnership that will contribute to safer bonfire celebrations.
- 3. To organise the work of the Committee to meet priority needs
- To work in partnership with local communities to implement arrangements that will contribute to safer, more inclusive celebratory event.
- To review the governance and risk management arrangements of the PCSP in relation to bonfires on an annual basis and make any necessary recommendations for action
- 6. To prepare reports to PCSP as and when requested
- To submit Committee meeting minutes to the PCSP for ratification and approval.

Frequency of Meetings

 The committee shall meet at least four times per annum or as directed by the PCSP

Membership

The chairperson and vice-chairperson shall be active Members of Down PCSP. The PCSP shall appoint members to the committee. The chairperson and vice-chairperson shall be appointed following agreement of the Bonfire Liaison Committee members and shall hold office for no more than two consecutive years. **Quorum**

 The quorum for the meeting shall be one quarter of the total number of members

Record of Meetings

 A minute of the proceedings will be recorded by the PCSP officer in accordance with approved standing orders.

Reporting Mechanism

The committee minutes shall be forwarded to the PCSP.

Delegated Matters

The committee has delegated authority to act for the PCSP in respect of the following matters:

- To appoint a sub-committee or working group for the exercise of a function which in the opinion of the committee would be better exercised by a subcommittee
- To co-opt to the committee persons who are not members of the committee or the PCSP
- To recommend changes to expenditure on specific projects to Joint committee within approved budget limits set by PCSP.

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Report to:	Policing & Community Safety Partnership	
Date of Meeting:	20th September 2016	
Subject:	PBNI Corporate Plan Consultation Changing Lives for Safer Communities	
Reporting Officer	Rosin Lecky	
(Including Job Title):	PBNI	
Contact Officer	Siobhán Fearon	
(Including Job Title):	PCSP MANAGER	

Decisions	required:
To agree re	esponse to PBNI Corporate Plan Consultation
1.0	Purpose and Background:
1.1	PBNI are developing its corporate plan which will cover delivery of service 2017-
	2020 and seeks the views of relevant stakeholders such as PCSP in feeding into
	the plan.
2.0	Key issues:
2.1	Covers delivery of Probation Board services 2017-2020
	 What services are most important for PBNI to years focus on over next four years to reduce crime?
	 What services are most important for PBNI to focus on over next four to improve effectiveness of the justice system
	 What services are most important for PBNI to focus on over next 4 years to reduce offending?
	Consultation closes on 14 th October 2016
3.0	Recommendations:
3.1	
4.0	Resource implications
4.1	
5.0	Equality and good relations implications:
5.1	
6.0	Appendices
	None

Report to:	Policing & Community Safety Partnership	
Date of Meeting:	20th September 2016	
Subject:	Peace IV Update	
Reporting Officer	Siobhán Fearon	
(Including Job Title):	PCSP MANAGER	
Contact Officer	As above	
(Including Job Title):		

Decisions	required:
To update t	he Partners on the areas of complimentary as submitted under Peace IV
1.0	Purpose and Background:
1.1	Peace IV Second stage application submitted 14 th September. Copy of Presentation circulated via email to all members for comment
2.0	Key issues:
2.1	Overview of Council's Peace IV Action Plan and associated budgets
3.0	Recommendations:
3.1	To note the update
4.0	Resource implications
4.1	n/a
5.0	Equality and good relations implications:
5.1	n/a
6.0	Appendices
	Hard copy available at meeting

Report to:	Policing & Community Safety Partnership
Date of Meeting:	20th September 2016
Subject:	Annual Report
Reporting Officer (Including Job Title):	Siobhán Fearon PCSP Manager
Contact Officer (Including Job Title):	Andrew Kernaghan PCSP Officer

Decisions	required:
To approve	e draft copy
1.0	Purpose and Background:
1.1	Annual Report covers PCSP work during transitional year 2015-16. PCSP are obliged to complete and return within three months of the end of Financial Year.
2.0	Key issues:
2.1	Transitional year commences 25 th June 2015 until 31 st March 2016.
3.0	Recommendations:
3.1	To approve report in draft form
4.0	Resource implications
4.1	None (budgeted in Action Plan)
5.0	Equality and good relations implications:
5.1	n/a
6.0	Appendices
	Hard Copy to be circulated at meeting

Report to:	Policing & Community Safety Partnership	
Date of Meeting:	20th September 2016	
Subject:	Home Secure Report	
Reporting Officer (Including Job Title):	Siobhán Fearon PCSP MANAGER	
Contact Officer (Including Job Title):	As above	

Decisions	required:		
None			
1.0	Purpose and Backgrou	nd:	
1.1	To provide members with This report covers April –		mber of Homes secured: 120
	Devices fitted:		
	Secure ring	64	
	Door Bar	33	
	Swing Locks	0	
	Door wedge alarms	74	
	Window Alarms	335	
	Personal Alarms	50	
	Padlock Alarm	76	
	Oil Tank bar	74	
	Dawn to dusk light	24	
	Light Timer	26	
	External PIR light	65	
	Guardcam	1	
	CO Alarm	1	

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	Key Pad Safe		5							
	PIR Bulbs		82							
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	True Call devices		2							
	Minor repairs		6							
	Total devices		932	-						
	DEA breakdown									
	Newry	43								
	Slieve Gullion	37								
	Crotlieve	18								
	Downpatrick	8								
	Rowallane	2								
	Slieve Croob	4								
	Mournes	8								
	98% of clients 60+									
2.0	Key issues:									
2.1	Service provider rep Information re the s public meetings in J the main sources of reduced from two to	services has lune and ref referral ha	s been c ferral fo s been (irculat rm cir Crime	ted thro rculated	ughout to DEA	DEA at coordir	last roun ators. C	ne of	
3.0	Recommendation									
3.1	Encourage promotio		heme ir	n those	e DEA's	where	referral	s are low	/est	_
4.0	Resource implicat	tions								_
4.1	None									
5.0	Equality and good	d relations	implic	ation	IS:					
5.1	None									
6.0	Appendices									
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Report to:	Policing & Community Safety Partnership	
Date of Meeting:	20th September 2016	
Subject:	Good Morning Good Neighbour Report	
Reporting Officer	Siobhán Fearon	
(Including Job Title):	PCSP MANAGER	
Contact Officer	As above	
(Including Job Title):		

Decisions	required:
None	
1.0	Purpose and Background:
1.1	To provide members with a progress report 1 st April -30 th June 2016
	Active Volunteers: 50
	Number of new referrals : 14
	Number of service users 296
	Total calls made: 11,113
	Volunteers have accessed induction training, telephone support skills, dealing with
	challenging & emotional calls, call handling for hearing impaired
2.0	Key issues:
2.1	None
3.0	Recommendations:
3.1	None
4.0	Resource implications
4.1	None
5.0	Equality and good relations implications:
5.1	None
6.0	Appendices
	None