

September 12th, 2019

**Notice Of Meeting**

You are requested to attend the Policing and Community Safety Partnership meeting to be held on **Wednesday, 18th September 2019** at **7:00 pm** in **Custom House, Merchant's Quay, Newry.**

# Agenda

## 1.0 Welcome, Chairman's Remarks and Apologies

## 2.0 Declarations of Interest

## 3.0 Draft Minutes of PCSP Committee Meeting held on 30 July 2019. (copy attached)

📎 *Draft Minutes PCSP Committee 30 July 2019.pdf*

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## 4.0 Matters Arising

## 5.0 PCSP Action Plan 2019/20 - mid year review. (copy attached)

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## 6.0 Update from PSNI on implications of, and preparations for, Brexit in relation to Policing in Newry, Mourne and Down (Standing Item)

- PSNI have confirmed that there is no further update at this time.

## 7.0 Date of Next Meeting (Tuesday 19 November 2019 - Council Offices, Downpatrick)

## POLICING AND COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP

### Minutes of the Newry, Mourne & Down Policing & Community Safety Partnership Meeting held in the Mourne Room, Council Offices, Downshire Civic Centre, Downpatrick on 30 July 2019 at 7pm

**Present:**

Audrey Byrne, Independent Member  
 Una Kelly, Independent Member  
 Jude McNeill, Independent Member  
 Grace McQuiston, Independent Member  
 Fiona Stephens, Independent Member  
 Declan Murphy, Independent Member  
 Councillor W Clarke, NMDDC  
 Councillor O Hanlon, NMDDC  
 Councillor T Hearty, NMDDC (**Chair**)  
 Councillor L Kimmins, NMDDC  
 Councillor A Lewis, NMDDC  
 Councillor W Walker, NMDDC  
 Ewan Morgan, Independent Member  
 Chief Inspector Joe McMinn, PSNI  
 Inspector Darren Hardy, PSNI  
 Inspector Sheila Loughran, PSNI  
 Sergeant Des O'Sullivan, PSNI  
 Inspector Russell Vogan, PSNI  
 Donna Weir, EANI  
 Michael Heaney, YJA  
 Shauna Rodgers, DOJ  
 Wendy Osborne, NIPB  
 Jean O'Neill, PBNI  
 Sarah Reid, NIPB  
 Loma Wilson, NIHE

**Also in attendance:**

Damien Brannigan, Head of Engagement  
 Martina Flynn, Safer Communities & Good Relations Manager  
 David Patterson, Head of Community Planning  
 Judith Thompson, PCSP Officer  
 Patricia McKeever, Democratic Services Officer

#### 1 Apologies and Chairperson's Remarks

Apologies were noted from Councillors Gallagher, Ruane, Savage, Trainor, Kerri Morrow (NMDDC) and Ruth Allen (SHSCT).

Councillor Hearty welcomed all to the meeting, in particular Wendy Osborne and Sarah Reid from the NI Policing Board and Shauna Rodgers from the Department of Justice.

#### 2 Minutes of PCSP Committee Meeting held on 28 May 2019

Read: Minutes of PCSP Committee Meeting held on 28 May 2019 (copy circulated)

**Agreed: On the proposal of Councillor Kimmins, seconded by Councillor Clarke it was agreed to approve the Minutes of the PCSP Committee Meeting as a true and accurate record.**

### 3 Declarations of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest.

### 4 Draft Disability Action Plan for Newry, Mourne and Down PCSP.

Read: Report by Ms. M Flynn, dated 30 July 2019 regarding Newry, Mourne and Down PCSP Disability Action Plan (copy circulated).

**Agreed: On the proposal of Councillor Clarke, seconded by Ms Stephens it was agreed to:**

- **Note the Report.**
- **Agree the draft Disability Action Plan for Newry, Mourne and Down PCSP.**

### 5 Officer's Report

Read: Officer's Report by Ms M Flynn, dated 30 July 2019 (copy circulated).

Discussion took place and the following points were raised:

- A meeting of the Funding Sub Group would be convened as soon as possible.
- A pre-commencement workshop would be held in Newry on 1 August for those groups who had been successful in their applications to the PCSP Financial Assistance Call.
- In response to a query from Ms. Kelly, Ms Flynn confirmed that it was not Council policy to pay travel expenses for attendance at events such as this, and that groups may have their own policy for the reimbursement of volunteer expenses. It was noted by Ms. Flynn that no groups had raised any concerns with her regarding travelling to Newry for this workshop.
- The pending recruitment process for the PCSP independent members would involve the nomination of Councillors for shortlisting and interviewing purposes. The makeup of the panel would take account of gender and political representation, additionally NIPB would provide an independent person to sit on the panel.

**Agreed: It was agreed to note the Officer's Report.**

## 6 Community Safety Wardens – Verbal Report: Ms M Flynn

Ms Flynn said a that a verbal update would be provided to Members in relation to recent provision of the Community Safety Wardens in the Newry area.

Ms Flynn advised Members that Wardens had been deployed to the Ballybot/Barcroft area of Newry in response to an increase in ASB locally. On 29 June 2019, an incident of concern had occurred while the Wardens were on patrol in this area, and a decision had subsequently been taken to temporarily step down the Wardens in the Newry area. This decision had been made in partnership with the PSNI; following further liaison and meetings with the PSNI it was agreed to reinstate the wardens on 26 July 2019. Ms Flynn advised the Members that the Newry DEA Councillors had been fully appraised of the situation.

Condemnation for such activity was expressed by some Members, however Independent Members expressed their disappointment at not being included in local meetings which had taken place to discuss this issue.

Ms Flynn said the main priority had been to safeguard the Wardens and advice had been sought from PSNI as to how best manage the situation. Ms Flynn continued, saying it had been considered appropriate to update all Members at the Meeting this evening.

Mr Brannigan said the decision on how to proceed had not been taken solely by Ms Flynn but by senior management in Council and had been taken due to significant safeguarding concerns. He stressed that there had never been any intention to exclude Independent Members. Mr. Brannigan further explained that there was a particular reason why Newry DEA Councillors had been appraised of the situation.

Councillor Hearty said it was important that Independent Members were included.

Ms Flynn said the Warden Scheme was delivered on behalf of the PCSP via a third party supplier but that a duty of care had to be extended to the staff as per Council protocol.

Mr. Morgan and Cllr Kimmins stated that it was important to note the Wardens were very much welcomed in Barcroft and the local community had responded positively to their presence.

Chief Inspector McMinn said it was potentially a criminal investigation, that protection of potential victims was of paramount importance and the vast majority of people were fully supportive of the Warden Scheme.

**Councillor Clarke proposed and Councillor Walker seconded to accept the verbal report given by Ms Flynn.**

## 7 Bonfire Sub Group Report

Read: Report by Ms M Flynn, dated 30 July 2019, regarding Bonfire Sub Group Report (copy circulated).

**Agreed:** On the proposal of Ms. Stephens, seconded by Ms. McQuiston it was agreed to note the Draft Minutes of the Bonfire Sub Group Meeting held on 10 June 2019 and to agree recommendations arising.

## **8 ASB Sub Group Report**

**Read:** Report by Ms M Flynn, dated 30 July 2019, regarding ASB Sub Group Report (copy circulated).

**Agreed:** On the proposal of Councillor Clarke, seconded by Councillor Walker it was agreed to note the Draft Minutes of the ASB Sub Group Meeting held on 12 June 2019 and to agree recommendations arising.

Ms McQuiston and Ms Byrne stated that they did not agree that these Minutes were an accurate record of the meeting held on 12 June 2019.

## **9 PEACE IV PCSP Update**

**Read:** Report by Ms M Flynn, dated 30 July 2019, regarding PEACE IV PCSP Update (copy circulated).

**Agreed:** It was agreed to note the report and note the Peace IV PCSP update.

## **10 DEA Co-ordinator's Report**

**Read:** DEA Co-ordinator's Report by Ms M Flynn, dated 30 July 2019 (copy circulated).

**Agreed:** The DEA Co-ordinator's Report was noted.

## **11 PCSP Web Page – Item at the request of Ms A Byrne.**

Ms Flynn advised Members that the PCSP web page on the Council website had been updated on 17 June 2019 and confirmed this by showing Members' the information on the website.

## **12 Update from PSNI on implications of, and preparations for Brexit in relation to Policing in Newry, Mourne and Down (Standing item)**

Chief Inspector McMinn advised Members that detailed preparations were in place for Brexit in relation to policing in Newry, Mourne and Down.

## **13 Date of Next Meeting**

The next PCSP Committee Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 18 September 2019 at 7pm in the Boardroom, Council Offices, Monaghan Row, Newry.

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 8.15pm.

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# **PCSP Action Plan 2019/20 Review Meeting**

## **18 September 2019**

Purpose of review meeting –

- ❑ To consider progress during the period April – September 2019 against key thematic areas from the 2019/20 PCSP Action Plan
- ❑ To consider proposed areas of activity for the period October 2019 – March 2020



# Anti-Social Behaviour

## Progress April - September

- ❑ Direct engagement with 381 young people through diversionary activities
- ❑ 25 local projects supported since July - £30,000 financial support, direct engagement with 186 young people
- ❑ Officer attendance at public meetings and local fora
- ❑ May-August 2019 - Reduction in ASB in Downpatrick (-17%) & Newry (-22%) compared to same period 2018

## Proposed areas of focus October - March

- ❑ Retain current process for proposals
- ❑ Involvement in upcoming Participator Budgeting process
- ❑ Replicate It's A Knockout Event in other areas
- ❑ Involve young people in development and production of locally sensitive drama piece
- ❑ Consider alternative approaches to ASB (including early intervention), and explore other models of good practice



# Road Safety

## Progress April - September

- ▣ Direct engagement with 92 young people at local events
- ▣ Continued support to the NMD Road Safety Committee
- ▣ Older Driver Course & New Driver Course supported
- ▣ Support of local video production to demonstrate impact of RTAs
- ▣ District Wide Hi-Vis Day 12 September – 2,000 vests to be distributed

## Proposed areas of focus October - March

- ▣ General Awareness Raising campaign across District
- ▣ Distribution of 28 school safety signs
- ▣ Kids Court to be organised in 4 school areas
- ▣ 7 SIDs (Speed Indicator Devices) to be installed – 1 in each DEA
- ▣ Launch of local Support Group – focus on families affected by RTAs



# Drugs & Alcohol

## Progress April - September

- ▣ Direct engagement with 224 young people at local programmes
- ▣ 1 JESIP event with focus on NTE economy attended by 85 providers
- ▣ 4 RAPID Bins now installed across District – 3 installed since May 2019, 4,000 items removed April – July
- ▣ Community Safety Wardens - 1,800 hours of patrols provided

## Proposed areas of focus October - March

- ▣ Awareness raising campaign and further development of RAPID initiative across District
- ▣ Wraparound programme to highlight dangers of prescription medicine
- ▣ Development of NTE activity for older people
- ▣ Consider ways to address issue of street drinking in Newry City
- ▣ Evaluation of CS Warden Scheme



# Rural Crime, Burglary & Fear of Crime

## Progress April - September

- 5 local crime prevention events held across District
- 500 home safety packs distributed
- 2 Neighbourhood Watch Network meetings to be held on 24 & 26 September
- Home Secure Service - 300 homes secured, 2,000 devices fitted
- Good Morning Service -14,000 Good Morning calls made

## Proposed areas of focus October - March

- Launch of Beat the Burglar Kit / initiative
- Develop range of programmes to address rural crime
- Assess effectiveness of NHW Scheme
- Cold Calling signs / initiative to be progressed
- Evaluation of Home Secure & Good Morning Services to inform 2020/21 Action Plan



# Gender Based Crime / Hate Crime

## Progress April - September

- 246 young people attended local domestic violence awareness programmes
- 60 female victims of domestic abuse directly supported by Women's Aid
- 350 people attended local hate crime / cultural awareness events (including Syrian / Muslim / Polish families)
- Beg to Differ campaign to be launched 20 September 2019

## Proposed areas of focus October - March

- Consolidate relationships with local Domestic Violence Fora
- Support delivery of Safe Place initiative within Council
- Provision of accredited DV training for relevant staff
- Consider targeted provision for male victims of domestic abuse / gender based crime
- Further development of local cultural awareness programmes



# PCSP Small Grants (Financial Assistance)

## Progress April - September

- ❑ 38 projects approved - £50,000 awarded
- ❑ 5,000 direct beneficiaries
- ❑ Projects supported cover all themes within the current Action Plan
- ❑ 75 group representatives attended workshop in Newry on 1 August

## Proposed areas of focus October - March

- ❑ Confirm role and purpose of the Funding Sub Group
- ❑ Consolidate links with successful groups and maximise opportunities for engagement / exposure
- ❑ Plan for Showcase Event (to be held April 2020)
- ❑ Consider increasing FA funding levels for 2020/21



# Partnership Development / Improve Confidence in Policing

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## Progress April - September

- ▣ New cohort of Elected Members nominated to the Partnership
- ▣ Process underway for recruitment of new Independent Members – 28 applications received
- ▣ Regular PCSP / PSNI meetings re-established
- ▣ Community Support Partnership(CSP) established & operational

## Proposed areas of focus October - March

- ▣ Organise training / information sessions as per Members request
- ▣ Convene session to consider PCSP Review / Effectiveness Report
- ▣ Convene session with Statutory Partners to explore linkages
- ▣ Minimum 1 public meeting on police performance to be held
- ▣ Organise series of DEA based engagement / awareness events
- ▣ Support the continued development of the CSP

## Newry, Mourne and Down PCSP Action Plan for 2019/2020

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**Strategic Priority 1:****To form & successfully deliver the functions of the Policing & Community Safety Partnership for the area**

Indicators		Regular meetings, Annual Report, upskilled Members, numbers attending training and meetings, NMD PCSP consultation survey results					
Theme	Aims & description	Key Activities	Start Date	End Date	Resource or cost	Performance measures	Reporting Quarter
<b>PCSP Members</b>	To evidence impact through supporting PCSP members to be effective in their role and as a Partnership	Engagement of PCSP members in Joint Committee training and / or local training events	4/19	3/20	£8,060	<b>How much did we do?</b> # training events for members <b>How well did we do it?</b> # and % attendance at training events <b>Is anyone better off?</b> # and % of members feeling supported to carry out their role	1,2,3 & 4
<b>PCSP meetings</b>	To evidence impact through PCSP meetings	Implementation of structures and delivery mechanisms that will contribute to a reduction in crime and fear of crime across the District	4/19	3/20	Included in above	<b>How much did we do?</b> # meetings of Policing Committee & PCSP # meetings of PCSP sub-groups <b>How well did we do it?</b> # and % attendance at meetings <b>Is anyone better off?</b> # and % of members engaged in the PCSP structure	1,2,3 & 4



<b>Raise awareness of PCSP</b>	To evidence impact through increased awareness of the PCSP	Develop & implement a Communications Strategy for the PCSP across a variety of platforms including social media, print based publications and public engagement events	4/19	3/20	Included in above	<b>How much did we do?</b> # social media reach # public events held <b>How well did we do it?</b> % increase in retweets / likes on social media # attendance at public events <b>Is anyone better off?</b> % increased public awareness of the PCSP	1, 2, 3 & 4
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## Strategic Priority 2: To improve Community Safety by tackling crime and anti-social behaviour

Indicators	Reduction in ASB & Crime, (PSNI Stats), increased reporting, # of programmes delivered, # of participants						
Theme	Aims & description	Key Activities	Start Date	End Date	Resource or cost	Performance measures	Reporting Quarter
<b>ASB</b>	Develop a range of diversionary youth & community engagement projects	Development of a range of locality based initiatives and programmes across the District (including seasonal and other focused interventions), and support for YAFTAs 2019/20	4/19	3/20	£47,120	<b>How much did we do?</b> # programmes delivered # participants in programmes # partners involved  <b>How well did we do it?</b> # and % of participants feeling satisfied with activities and interventions  <b>Is anyone better off?</b> # and % of participants with changed attitudes / beliefs / opinions	1, 2, 3 & 4

						# and % of participants assessed their participation as positive	
<b>PCSP Small Grants</b>	Provision of a small grants programme to increase the capacity of the community to address community safety issues	Groups and organisations apply for funding to support locally based activities which are linked to the PCSP Action Plan, and which comply with OBA guidelines	4/19	3/20	£53,930	<b>How much did we do?</b> # applications processed  <b>How well did we do it?</b> # projects awarded funding  <b>Is anyone better off?</b> # amount of funding awarded to the community (£)	1, 2, 3 & 4
<b>NTE Community Safety Wardens</b>	Provision of a district wide Community Safety Warden Scheme	Work in partnership with the PSNI and other relevant agencies to provide a high visibility foot patrol to act as a deterrent to anti-social behaviour	4/19	3/20	£53,000	<b>How much did we do?</b> # Community Safety Warden patrols # patrol hours provided  <b>How well did we do it?</b> - contract delivered within agreed budget  <b>Is anyone better off?</b> % increased knowledge & awareness of Warden Scheme % of local community reporting feeling safer	1, 2, 3 & 4
<b>Drugs and Alcohol</b>	To support and develop a range of awareness	Work in Partnership with a range of agencies (including SDACT & SEDACT) to	4/19	3/20	£24,060	<b>How much did we do?</b> # programmes delivered	1, 2, 3, 4

	raising campaigns	develop a range of programmes (including a specific focus on prescription medicine management and safer alcohol initiatives)				# participants # partners involved  <b>How well did we do it?</b> # and % of participants reporting satisfaction with activities and interventions  <b>Is anyone better off?</b> # and % of participants with changed behaviours and / or circumstances # and % of participants with increased knowledge and awareness as a result of interventions	
	To support the development of the RAPID Bin initiative across the NMDDC area	Work in partnership with other agencies (including the PSNI & PHA) to oversee the installation of a minimum 3 RAPID bins across the District  Deliver an associated awareness raising campaign to maximise efficacy	4/19	3/20	Included in above	<b>How much did we do?</b> # partners involved # potential installation sites identified & assessed  <b>How well did we do it?</b> # number of RAPID bins installed  <b>Is anyone better off?</b> # items removed from RAPID bins % improved awareness and understanding of the RAPID initiative	1, 2, 3 & 4

<b>Gender Based Crime</b>	To support and develop a range of awareness raising programmes	Support delivery of SAFE Place initiative in conjunction with Council Safeguarding Co-Ordinator	4/19	3/20	£26,060	<p><b>How much did we do?</b>  # Safe Place introduced  # participants in intervention programme  # partners involved</p> <p><b>How well did we do it?</b>  # and % staff trained in Safe Place</p> <p><b>Is anyone better off?</b>  # and % of participants with improved/awareness /understanding of safe place initiative / domestic violence</p>	1, 2, 3 & 4
		Work collaboratively with other agencies (including local Domestic & Sexual Violence Partnerships) to develop and promote programmes and initiatives which educate and raise awareness of sexual and domestic violence	4/19	3/20	Included in above	<p><b>How much did we do?</b>  # programmes delivered  # participants  # partners involved  # partnership meetings</p> <p><b>How well did we do it?</b>  # and % of participants feeling satisfied with activities and interventions</p> <p><b>Is anyone better off?</b>  # and % of participants with changed behaviours  # and % of participants with improved/awareness /understanding of sexual and domestic violence</p>	1, 2, 3 & 4



<b>Hate Crime</b>	To support and promote cultural diversity programmes and workshops.	Support and promote cultural diversity programmes and workshops (including engagement with vulnerable groups such as those from LGBTQ and BME groups)	4/19	3/20	£19,060	<p><b>How much did we do?</b>  # programmes delivered  # participants  # partners involved  # partnership meetings</p> <p><b>How well did we do it?</b>  # and % of participants feeling satisfied with activities and interventions</p> <p><b>Is anyone better off?</b>  # and % of participants with changed behaviours  # and % of participants with improved/awareness /understanding of hate crime</p>	1, 2, 3 & 4
<b>Road Safety</b>	To support and promote road safety initiatives	Work in partnership with the PSNI and the Newry, Mourne & Down Road Safety Committee to develop and implement a range of road safety initiatives	4/19	3/20	£20,060	<p><b>How much did we do?</b>  # multi agency meetings  # awareness raising events  # road safety signs installed at local schools</p> <p><b>How well did we do it?</b>  % and # attending public events  # agencies working together &amp; joint events</p> <p><b>Is anyone better off?</b></p>	1, 2, 3 & 4

						# and % of participants with increased knowledge of road safety # and % community awareness of school traffic dangers	
<b>Burglary and Fear of Crime</b>	To support communities to protect themselves and their property to reduce the fear of crime	Promote and develop the Neighbourhood Watch & Text Alert Schemes	4/19	3/20	£13,060	<b>How much did we do?</b> # NHW schemes # new NHW schemes # NHW network meetings # TA text messages sent  <b>How well did we do it?</b> % increase in NHW schemes % and # participants attending NHW network meetings % and # increased TA beneficiaries  <b>Is anyone better off?</b> % and # NHW Co-Ordinators reporting satisfaction with training/assistance provided to support their role	1, 2, 3 & 4
		Procure the following service provision schemes:  - Good Morning, Good Neighbour Scheme - Home Secure Scheme	4/19	3/20	£50,000	<b>How much did we do?</b> # Home Secure referrals # Good Morning calls made  <b>How well did we do it?</b> # and % increase in home secure devices fitted	1, 2 ,3 & 4

						# and % increase in Good Morning clients - contract delivered within agreed budget  <b>Is anyone better off?</b> % and # participants reporting feeling safer in homes	
<b>Rural Crime</b>	To address incidences of rural crime and develop a range of crime prevention interventions	Develop and promote and assist initiatives around rural isolation and crime prevention	4/19	3/20	£13,050	<b>How much did we do?</b> # programmes delivered / events attended # participants # partners involved  <b>How well did we do it?</b> # and % of participants reporting satisfaction with activities and interventions  <b>Is anyone better off?</b> # and % increase of participants with increased knowledge and confidence to report incidents of rural crime	1, 2, 3 & 4
		Promote Farm Watch / Trailer and machinery marking	4/19	3/20	Included in above	<b>How much did we do?</b> # events attended and programmes # farmwatch schemes  <b>How well did we do it?</b>	1, 2, 3 & 4

						<p># and % increased trailers/farm machinery marked</p> <p><b>Is anyone better off?</b></p> <p># and % participants with improved awareness/knowledge/understanding of crime prevention measures</p>	
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### Strategic Priority 3: To improve confidence in Policing

Indicator		# attending public events, # reporting crime / incidents					
Theme	Aims & description	Key Activities	Start Date	End Date	Resource or cost	Performance measures	Reporting Quarter
<b>Improve community confidence in policing</b>	To effectively monitor progress of the local Policing Plan, and support the engagement of the local community with the PSNI	<p>Facilitate Policing Committee meetings and ensure local accountability through the Policing Committee's role in monitoring police performance</p> <p>Hold community consultation / engagement events to identify priorities and contribute to the development of the local Policing Plan</p> <p>Hold at least 2 public meetings on specific policing issues including police performance</p>	4/19	3/20	£8,000	<p><b>How much did we do?</b></p> <p># policing committee meetings</p> <p># public meetings</p> <p># consultation events</p> <p># engagement events and activities</p> <p><b>How well did we do it?</b></p> <p>% members attending events</p> <p>% and # attendance at Policing Committee meetings</p> <p>% and # participants / members satisfied with meetings / events</p>	1,2, 3,4

		Link with Council DEA structure and other relevant localised frameworks to extend opportunities for engagement				<b>Is anyone better off?</b> % increase more likely to report crime % increase in confidence in policing following events / meetings % knowledge of local policing priorities % more likely to engage with police following event / meeting	
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