



Pendle Community Safety Partnership Partnership Meeting

Minutes of Meeting held on Monday, 10th December, 2018,
Nelson Town Hall

Present:

Councillor David Whipp (Chair)

Jerry Stanford	Colne Community Safety Working Group
Abdul Kheratkar	Lancashire County Council
Lee Harrington	Lancashire County Council
Amanda Lawson	CRC Probate
Shazad Sarwar	Community Representative
Tim Horsley	Pendle Borough Council
Sarah Astin	Pendle Borough Council
Nick Harbour	Pendle Borough Council
Matt Horn	Lancashire Police
Andy Winter	Lancashire Police
Melva Burton	Community Representative
Lesley Morville	LCC Children & Family Wellbeing Service
Matt Hargreaves	Burnley Football Club in the Community
Matt Parish	Burnley Football Club in the Community
Tom Conway	Burnley Football Club in the Community
Claire Bennett	Positive Action in the Community

1. Welcome and to receive any apologies for absence

Councillor David Whipp welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for their attendance.

Apologies for absence were received from: Paul Hutchins, Neil McGowan, Rachel Johnson, Audrey Drinkwater, Lynda Waddington, Huma Butt, Naveed Ahmad, Martin Jackson, Robert Ruston, Kirsten McCloy & Cath Coughlan.

2. Minutes from last meeting

The minutes of the last Full Community Safety Partnership held on 10th September, 2018 were approved as a correct record.

3. Policing and Disorder in Pendle – Chief Superintendent Matt Horn

After being invited along to the meeting by Jerry Stanford, Chief Superintendent Matt Horn came to discuss the future of local policing and to answer any questions that members may have in relation to this.

Some points of note that CS Horn spoke of:

- Divisional Commanders were removed 18 months ago
- There has recently been a core services review. The Police are now working towards three principal targets – Contact & Response, Serious Crime & Investigations and Local Policing
- There are still 300 PCSO's in the county – this number will not be reduced
- There are also over 1,000 police officers
- A reduction has been made to the number of CBM's
- A wider pot of resource is now available
- Lancashire will be working from the Modern Policing guidelines that have been released – the key areas being Problem Solving, Engaging Communities & Targeted Activity
- Acknowledging contact has proved difficult in recent times, (lengthy waits whilst residents call 101 for assistance etc) the control room has recently been reconfigured into three virtual hubs rather than just the one – these are aligned to the three separate divisions so it should be a bit easier to manage the traffic

And some comments and questions following the update:

Jerry Stanford highlighted the good relations between the Police and the Colne Community Safety Partnership meeting. Police attend the monthly meeting and find the information sharing vital in targeting problem areas in and around the town. CS Horn echoed this and encouraged more of the same groups in the local area. This will link in with the Engaging Communities and Targeted Activity guidelines that were referenced earlier.

Similar to the above, social media was also highlighted as a good communication tool between the Police and local communities. Incidents are often reported on here and officers take note of this.

When asked about the partnership working with the Council, CS Horn accepted that links may not have been as strong as they once were, largely down to reduced numbers in Early Action support. It is hoped with the introduction of community safety sergeants and community safety teams that the working relationship between the Police and local authorities can start getting back to what they once were and tackle anti-social behaviour cases together.

Crime in rural areas has shown a significant increase in recent months and it was suggested that this was down to a lack of policing in these parts of the Borough. It had been difficult filling the post available but now with the restructure, two members of staff will patrol the more rural areas to give a more visible Police presence.

The Chair thanked CS Horn for his attendance and for the updates. CS Horn has agreed to come back to the Pendle Community Safety Partnership meeting in the summer to review the figures and see if the restructure has improved the statistics in any way.

Action: Note the update and invite Chief Superintendent Horn to the Full CSP meeting to be held in June 2019.

4. Burnley Football Club in the Community

Please refer to attached presentation for full details.

Matt Hargreaves and Matt Parish gave a detailed update on the latest from Burnley Football Club in the Community. Below are some of the things that have been going on:

- Leisure Box recently opened in Brierfield
- 50% of services at the Leisure Box will be free for the community to use
- There will be free usage of services for local schools
- Grass roots teams will get a large discount on rental of facilities
- Facilities include indoor and outdoor 5-a-side football pitches, cricket lanes, classrooms, soft play centre, café, dance studio and a gym (possibly the cheapest in Lancashire)
- The team are working with over 900 youths in the local area
- Programmes include the 'Kicks' outreach programme which consists of 16 sessions a week, and 'It's Your Turf', a serious crime reduction programme. Both target ages 8-19.
- Looking to start a refugee programme to get refugees involved with local communities
- Working with 16/ 17 year olds on a National Citizens Service programme

There is an excellent opportunity for Burnley Football Club in the Community and the Pendle Community Safety Partnership to work closely to identify areas where it will be beneficial for the team to go and run sessions in areas that may face such difficulties as high rates of anti-social behaviour offences.

It is also a good chance to merge sessions that are run by other agencies who attend the Full CSP such as PAC and CRC.

Action: Matt Hargreaves to arrange a meeting with Claire Bennett and Lesley Morville to look at linking up programmes through the different service providers.

5. Pendle CSP Strategy and Action Plan 2018-19

Sarah informed those present that the Partnership Plan Actions from 2018-19 has now been finalised.

She will be circulating the action plan from time to time throughout the next year to highlight what projects are complete, part complete and ones that need starting. It was suggested that a traffic light system be added to the plan to indicate this.

Partnership members are encouraged to update the plan regularly.

Action: Note the update.

6. Locality Review actions (Violence and Vulnerability Unit)

Serious Violence Strategy

Details of the Serious Violence Strategy can be found by clicking the following link:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/serious-violence-strategy>

Home Office Support Day

Please refer to attachment for full details.

Sarah gave some feedback from the Home Office Support Day which was held on Monday 1st October in Nelson Town Hall. The event was led by Paul Cullen and was very well attended.

A number of good ideas were put forward and these have now been added into the Locality Review action plan. With regards to these new actions, Sarah stated it would be beneficial if names & organisations could be allocated to them to show who was working on what from the CSP, and to join it up with the CSP Partnership Plan.

It was agreed to form a task group to assign these actions to the groups (task group to include Sarah Astin, Claire Bennett, Amanda Lawson, Lesley Morville and Lee Harrington).

Sarah also added that some underspend in funds was available that could be put towards some of the projects on the list.

Action: – Sarah to set up the task group as agreed above.

7. Fireworks update

Unfortunately, a detailed update on fireworks could not be given at this meeting after receiving apologies from the officers involved. However, the general feeling from

those present was that the campaign earlier in the year about promoting the effects fireworks can have on some people had a positive impact – fewer incidents seem to have been brought to the attention of the Police this time around and there have also been considerably less complaints received by the Council.

Jerry Stanford also brought forward a suggestion from one of the attendees from the Colne Community Safety Partnership meeting to look at pushing laws with regards to stopping the sale of fireworks in shops in the local area. This is something that could potentially be looked at in the New Year, however, it could have little impact due to people being able to purchase fireworks from other areas as well as online.

8. Funding

Sarah reported that there is still money available for any new initiatives that people want to suggest that could go towards supporting the CSP plan.

£10,000 OPCC funding was available at the start of the year, of which £4,000 committed to SMILE mediation services. This leaves £6,000 from the pot.

£2,000 was also committed by Pendle Borough Council, most of which is also still available.

From last years' budget which was carried over and being held for Trawden and their CCTV at Wycoller Park – this money has now been put to use. £6,000 has been spent on installing the cameras. £3,800 underspent remains – it was suggested that this money be kept and used on any maintenance that the CCTV needs up there.

Following an increased number of burglaries being reported in the Borough, it was suggested that the CSP might wish to consider using some of the money available to put towards target hardening.

Action: Any initiatives (to support the CSP plans) – please contact Sarah Astin

9. Performance

Inspire

No report received this time.

Lancs Fire & Rescue (see report for full details)

Please refer to attached report for full details.

A point of note from the report was highlighted around the anti-social behaviour section of the report. There had been a slight increase in incidents from last years' figures. It was stated that all the anti-social behaviour incidents involved loose refuse

and wheelie bins (likely youths putting fireworks in them etc). It was suggested that these numbers could be reduced if a reminder was sent out to local residents of the Borough to remind them to take their empty bins in once they have been collected.

Action: Note the update.

Tim Horsley to speak to David Walker (Environmental Services Manager) about the possibility of sending out reminders to residents to take their empty bins in after collection.

MATAC

Please refer to attached report for full details.

- All crime has increased by 45%. Violent crime has contributed to the increase in all crime.
- Domestic violence offences have increased by 80% and domestic abuse crimes have increased by 112%.
- Burglary has increased by 24% (27% residential and 21% businesses and community).
- In better news, the number of anti-social behaviour incidents has reduced by 30%.

Andy Winter highlighted that although many of the categories indicate alarming increases, things aren't quite as bad as it seems as how crimes have been recorded contributes to the higher numbers eg. If officers are called out to a reported incident but nothing is actually going on upon arrival, it is still reported down as a crime and contributes to the statistics.

ASB & Community Safety

Please refer to attached report for full details.

For the first time in a while, the number of cases on the ASBRAC list is greater than that of the Transforming Lives list. A point of concern was that the Police seem to have ceased doing risk assessments on cases that they have referred to the ASBRAC list – which means they have to stay on the list until they are deemed safe to come off – which therefore gives us an indication as to why the ASBRAC numbers have increased.

Action: Note the update from Tim.

Genga/ Serious Organised Crime Panel

PAM now in use and being utilised by those on the Genga/ Serious Organised Crime Panel. This is a system whereby all members of the panel can share information in one central place.

As always, there are six or seven different organised crime groups being targeted.

Action: Note the update from Tim.

10. Forum Updates

Burnley & Pendle Exploitation Group

Claire reported that the meeting on 11th September was unfortunately postponed. It has been re-arranged for 15th January and Claire will update at the next meetings any outcomes that may be of interest to the Pendle Community Safety Partnership.

Pendle Domestic Violence Forum

PDVI had organised an event in December as part of the 16 Days of Action scheme to help raise awareness of domestic violence and victims voice – what it feels like for those who have experienced domestic violence. The event was well attended and those present requested additional training in how to identify potential victims and how to assist them.

PAC has recently celebrated 21 years of service to the area, and as a result have started a '21' campaign to help spread the word about domestic violence. This will be covered in varying forms, including advertising posters and social media messages.

11. Domestic Abuse services - update

With regards to the huge increases in domestic violence and domestic abuse incidents, it was agreed that Sarah Astin, Robert Ruston and Claire Bennett meet to discuss further the presentation of this data. This includes referral numbers for both PAC & Victim Support that was outlined in the circulated document (attached).

Action: Sarah to arrange a meeting between the above people to discuss further.

12. Media Opportunities

Pendle Borough Council to be requested to publicise the work going on at Burnley Football Club in the Community and any joint work that may happen in the near future.

13. Any other Business

White Ribbon campaign update

Abdul Kheratkar quickly mentioned the good work being undertaken by Lancashire County Council in raising awareness of the White Ribbon campaign. They have held events at Accrington, Burnley, Chorley, Lancaster, Preston and Skelmersdale libraries, as well as promoting the campaign at County Hall.

14. Date of Next Meeting

Monday 11th March 2019.

To begin at the earlier time of 12.00 noon (with lunch provided) to develop the 2019-2022 CSP Strategy and Action Plan, followed by the Community Safety Partnership meeting which will finish no later than 16.00pm.