



**Pendle Community Safety Partnership  
Partnership Meeting**

Minutes from the Microsoft Teams Virtual meeting  
held on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2021, 2.00 p.m.

**Present:**

David Whipp: Chair

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| Tim Horsley                 | Pendle Council   |
| Nick Harbour                | Pendle Council   |
| Councillor Ashley Sutcliffe | Pendle Council   |
| Jerry Stanford              | Colne Community Safety Working Group                   |
| Steffani Hull               | Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner (Lancashire) |
| Carol Ellwood-Clarke        | Chair of the Domestic Homicide Review                  |
| Adara Ashley                | Lancashire Police                                      |
| Claire Bennett              | Positive Action in the Community                       |
| Gail Barton                 | Our Lancashire   |
| Abdul Kheratkar             | Lancashire County Council                              |
| Gillian Lander              | Lancashire County Council                              |
| Alison Wilkins              | Lancashire County Council                              |
| Emma Foster                 | Inspire  |

**1. Welcome and apologies**

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Apologies for Absence were received from: Aziz Ahmad, Andy Ainsworth, Sarah Astin-Wood, Karen Excel, Alan Garner, Darren Mansfield and Shazad Sarwar.

**2. Minutes from last meeting**

The minutes of the last Full Community Safety Partnership held on 12<sup>th</sup> April, 2021 were approved as a correct record, subject to one minor amendment:

On page 10 the word 'hypercritical' should read 'hypocritical'.

### **3. Updates from partners on their service changes and challenges in light of COVID-19**

The Chair invited partners to raise any specific changes and challenges they have faced in relation to Covid-19 since the last meeting.

No new items were raised which needed covering in this section of the meeting.

### **4. Domestic Homicide Review (DHR) Update**

Carol Ellwood-Clarke gave an update around the Domestic Homicide Review which was agreed at a meeting of this Partnership last summer in relation to a father and son in the local area:

The report is available to view to Community Safety Partnership members but with the item being confidential, no reference shall be made in these minutes.

A number of recommendations were presented in the report, to which Carol stated it was up to Members of this Partnership to determine the timescales as to when action should be taken on them.

The Chairman suggested, to which all agreed, that the Keeping Vulnerable Young People and Adults Safe Task and Finish Group take ownership of the recommendations and begin to work on them with immediate effect (where possible) and to report back to other members of the partnership in time for the next meeting as to how things are progressing.

Members thanked Carol for her presentation and ongoing work with the Domestic Homicide Review.

### **5. Pendle Community Safety Partnership Plan 2019-22**

Updates from each Task Group (where provided), including updated action plans, had been circulated with the agenda.

Brief details from each Task Group are highlighted below:

#### **Keeping Young People and Adults Safe**

Claire Bennett had provided a report (see attached) and gave a verbal update on the following key areas:

#### **Feedback on last quarter activity:**

- Child Exploitation Awareness Group's second event on hold pending bringing the group back together
- Successful, high-profile domestic abuse awareness raising campaign during the Euros
- Funding from the OPCC to address the vulnerability of young people in Colne in particular and other town centres on Friday nights is being allocated to projects through the Pendle Youth Forum. In-situ's work with young people to develop a film of their views about Colne and their lives is now complete and premiered at an open air event in June. A presentation could be made to the next CSP.
- The remainder of the current funding will be used primarily to consolidate the work in Colne and to initiate the use of the same model adapted to the circumstances in Brierfield. A planning and refresher training session is planned for late July and the first evening session will be held the first week in August. The approach will build on work already being done by Burnley FC in the Community and In-Situ and the local knowledge of key youth workers.
- A further OPCC bid (2020/21 fund) is in development to support this work, embed it in Brierfield as in Colne and then move on to Barnoldswick, Earby and Nelson. A £10,000 bid has already been agreed in principle by the CSP.
- The Transforming Lives Panel continues to case manage an increasing and increasing vulnerable case load.
- East Lancashire Reducing Reoffending Board Action Plan agreed and progressing. Integrated Offender Management referrals in Pendle are being managed through Transforming Lives.

#### **Key areas of focus:**

- A bid for further funding for the work with young people in Brierfield, Barnoldswick, Earby and Nelson
- Identifying sources of funding to continue the lead professional funding for Transforming Lives
- Connecting with the Pan-Lancashire Anti Slavery Group and Hope for Justice
- Monitoring the progress of the Lancashire Changing Futures bid
- Monitoring the pilot of the Youth Endowment Fund funded Pause for thought programme and supporting its continuation post-evaluation
- Re-opening of Waterside Youth Centre by PAC and supporting CYAG in its bid to re-open Byron Road Youth Centre
- Focusing on the potential impact of the Domestic Abuse Act 2021 and requirements that come with this.
- Working with the Housing Needs and the RRB to monitor access to accommodation for chaotic households; substance misusers; rough sleepers and offenders leaving prison
- Monitoring the effect of commissioning impact for supported accommodation
- Explore options around the White Ribbon Youth Advocate Programme

Members thanked Claire for the update.

## Tackling the Causes of Crime through Education

Andy Ainsworth had given apologies for the meeting so no update could be provided this time.

## Community Engagement

A report had provided a report (see attached) and Jerry Stanford gave a brief verbal update on the following key areas:

### **Feedback on last quarter activity:**

- Unfortunately the Group hasn't met during the last quarter.
- Since the CSP Facebook page was launched in January 2021, the number of followers has slowly increased and now has 98 followers - <https://www.facebook.com/PendleCSP>
- CSP partners are asked to share information on the page, and tag Pendle CSP in their social media posts as appropriate.
- Community Safety messages communicated on the Facebook page include: Scams Awareness, car crime prevention, water safety, giving to charities safely during Ramadan, tackling domestic abuse – Euro's campaign. We also share the Neighbourhood Watch monthly newsletter

### **Key areas of focus:**

- Now that restrictions are easing the Group will be focusing on opportunities to engage with the public face-to-face, attending events, etc., and picking up the work around Neighbourhood Watch and encouraging more residents to set up schemes. The team will be looking to implicate this at an event due to be held in Colne Town Centre late November.

Members thanked Jerry for the update.

## **6. CSP Funding**

Tim Horsley gave an update around the latest CSP Funding:

- £3,500 had been previously allocated to Operation Provide
- £4,000 had been previously allocated to continue to fund mediation for the upcoming year

- £10k funding agreed in principle subject to further working up in conjunction with Pendle Youth Forum and other partners

Still awaiting confirmation as to whether there will be money available from the OPCC. Unfortunately, Steffi Hull had lost connection to the meeting and was unavailable to confirm whether this would be the case.

Members noted the update.

**Action:** Tim to contact Steffi after the meeting to confirm whether or not funding from the OPCC will be made available to the Community Safety Partnership for 2021/22.

## 7. Performance

### Police (MATAC analytical report)

Adara Ashley had circulated the MATAC report from the Police. For full details, please see the attached report.

- There has been a total of 1,901 crimes recorded in Pendle between April and June 2021.
- This represents an increase of 14.2%, up 237 offences when compared to the same period in 2020.
- By comparison, East recorded a 19.1% increase and Lancashire a 23.3% increase in the number of crimes recorded compared to the same period last year.

The following table shows a breakdown of all crime recorded in Pendle between April and June 2021, grouped by crime type, compared to the same period the previous year:

| Month/<br>Crime group         | Apr-21     | May-21     | Jun-21     | 3 month<br>total | As % of<br>all crime | Apr-20     | May-20     | Jun-20     | 3 month<br>total | Difference |              |
|-------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------------|----------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------------|------------|--------------|
|                               |            |            |            |                  |                      |            |            |            |                  | Numeric    | Percentage   |
| Criminal Damage and Arson     | 78         | 64         | 79         | 221              | 11.6%                | 50         | 69         | 65         | 184              | 37         | 20.1%        |
| High Impact Acquisitive Crime | 22         | 20         | 21         | 63               | 3.3%                 | 28         | 31         | 24         | 83               | -20        | -24.1%       |
| Other Acquisitive Offence     | 80         | 97         | 76         | 253              | 13.3%                | 79         | 103        | 98         | 280              | -27        | -9.6%        |
| Other Crimes Against Society  | 92         | 90         | 105        | 287              | 15.1%                | 63         | 83         | 89         | 235              | 52         | 22.1%        |
| Sexual Offence                | 15         | 24         | 30         | 69               | 3.6%                 | 15         | 13         | 25         | 53               | 16         | 30.2%        |
| Vehicle Crime                 | 25         | 20         | 31         | 76               | 4.0%                 | 19         | 20         | 24         | 63               | 13         | 20.6%        |
| Violence Against the Person   | 277        | 314        | 332        | 923              | 48.6%                | 246        | 284        | 234        | 764              | 159        | 20.8%        |
| Other                         | 1          | 5          | 3          | 9                | 0.5%                 | 0          | 0          | 2          | 2                | 7          | 350.0%       |
| <b>Grand Total</b>            | <b>590</b> | <b>634</b> | <b>677</b> | <b>1,901</b>     | <b>100.0%</b>        | <b>500</b> | <b>603</b> | <b>561</b> | <b>1,664</b>     | <b>237</b> | <b>14.2%</b> |

Members noted the update.

### ASB & Community Protection/ Genga / Serious Organised Crime Panel

Tim Horsley provided a brief update around the figures for ASB, Community Protection and the Genga/ Serious Organised Crime Panel (for full details, please see the attached report):

### **Genga Panel**

Pendle Genga panel met from December 2020 until May 2021 and from June is merged again with Burnley. The Action Plan is currently being updated to reflect current issues and closed cases.

### **Transforming Lives Panel**

All partners report an increase in the number of vulnerable people emerging as a result of Covid 19 and the Lockdowns. This is reflected in the numbers below which have remained high since the Panel resumed in July 2020; two-fifths of all referrals received since TL started have been received since the Pandemic began.

During the quarter there have been five referrals from the Integrated Offender Management Screening process.

### **Mediation**

Although mediation is still happening the two main referrals we had pending were large scale community mediations which cannot go ahead at this time.

### **Community Protection**

Tim ran through the Community Protection statistics (see attached for full details).

Members noted the update.

### **Domestic Abuse Services – PAC and LVS**

Claire Bennett ran through the figures from Lancashire Victim Service and PDVI. Please see attached report for full details.

- More and more referrals are coming in from health services
- Numbers of incidents seemed to increase around Father's Day
- No signs yet that numbers of incidents increased during the Euro 2020 tournament (though reports may come in over the next few weeks of incidents happening during the tournament which have yet to be reported)
- Number of incidents being reported by professionals has also increased
- There are 111 open cases for Quarter 1 (April 2021 – June 2021)

Steffi Hull had also sent through a report after having to leave the meeting early – see attached document.

Members noted the update.

**Action:** Claire Bennett and Steffi Hull to liaise to ensure that quarterly figures from each organisation are available at the next meeting and some comparison work to be done to show the number of incidents being reported.

### **Inspire Substance Misuse**

No report was received from Inspire Substance Misuse for this meeting.

### **Lancs Fire & Rescue Service**

No report was received from Lancashire Fire & Rescue Service for this meeting.

## **8. Forum Updates**

### **Pendle Domestic Forum/ Domestic Violence Forum**

Claire Bennett gave a brief update on work being done at the PDVA:

- The team have recently been updating the contact list which has now been refreshed
- The action plan has been updated since the last meeting
- As usual, lots of awareness raising in place to show people the service is available should they need it
- An online survey has recently gone out to the Forum about various issues. The findings from this can be shared at the next meeting of the Community Safety Partnership

Members noted the update.

**Colne Community Safety Area Working Group** – see report for full details.

Jerry Stanford had provided the below update:

Group Teams meetings have recommenced after the Election break, but attendances have been markedly down in spite of a greater circulation to Councillors of both Area and Town Council. Hopefully the relaxation of rules will allow the return of face-to-face meetings

immediately prior to Area Committee (AC). Cllr Mann has agreed to be the co-optee to the AC.

**Areas of Concern:**

**Youth Misbehaviour** – the figures are encouraging as they take a downward trend over the last two months, supported by positive reports from the NPT and CYAG along with other active groups must take credit for this progress. It remains to be seen how relaxation of rules and School holidays affect matters.

**Drug dealing and using** - reports still reach the group of discarded paraphernalia and associated localised illegal activity is a concern to residents.

**Irresponsible Driving:** continuing evidence of vehicle racing, and general speeding through rat-runs increasingly being used as the North Valley traffic modifications impact on through speeds. These have been reported to the Speed unit. The introduction of the SPIDs are a measure that the Group believe will assist.

General Crime figures have shown a marked downward trend and the NPT are to be congratulated on the work they have done both in concerted POP operations at weekends but in their general activity in and around the Community.

Members noted the update.

**9. Media Opportunities**

No new media opportunities raised.

**10. Date of Next Meeting**

The date of the next meeting is on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2021 – via Teams.