



## **Pendle Community Safety Partnership Partnership Meeting**

Minutes from the Microsoft Teams Virtual meeting  
held on Monday 09<sup>th</sup> May 2022, 2.00 p.m.

### **Present:**

David Whipp: Chair

Sarah Astin-Wood	Pendle Council
Nick Harbour	Pendle Council
Tim Horsley	Pendle Council
Jerry Stanford	Colne Community Safety Working Group
Claire Pearson	Lancashire Police
Lee Sculpher	Lancashire Police
Marie Jackson	Lancashire Police
Gareth Brooks	Lancashire Police
David Harris	Lancashire Fire Service
Nikki Major	Inspire
Councillor Ashley Sutcliffe	Pendle Council
Councillor Mohammad Aslam	Pendle Council
Mohammad Arshad	Clarion Group
Alan Garner	Lancashire County Council
Abdul Kheratkar	Lancashire County Council
Gail Barton	Our Lancashire
Darren Mansfield	We Are With You
Claire Bennett	Positive Action in the Community

### **1. Welcome and apologies**

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Apologies for Absence were received from: Aziz Ahmad, Adara Ashley, Steffi Hull and Gillian Lander.

## **2. Minutes from last meeting**

The minutes of the last Full Community Safety Partnership held on 17<sup>th</sup> January, 2022 were approved as a correct record.

### Matters arising from previous meeting

Jerry Stanford raised the point around the difficulties obtaining the figures from the police in relation to the speed cameras which had been operating in the area following on from some recently conducted monitoring. Members felt that the stats should be readily available for this partnership.

Lee Sculpher from the Police said he would investigate this and see that the figures are provided in time for the next meeting.

It was also noted at the last meeting that crime figures were particularly high in the Southfield area of Nelson.

Marie Jackson updated members that this was still the case, and it is the same as the previous 12 months also. This indicates that it is an ongoing issue with this ward. Alarming, there are a high number of domestic abuse cases being reported in this area. Claire Bennett of the PDA Forum has invited Police representatives to numerous meetings to discuss this issue but as yet, nobody has been able to attend.

**Action:** Police to send representatives to the next PDA Forum which Claire will send invites out for.

## **3. Lancashire Strategic Assessment 2022 and Pendle District Profile**

A report had been produced in February for the Lancashire Strategic Assessment and the Pendle District Profile which had been circulated to all Members before the meeting. Members discussed the content of the reports, and agreed that the best way forward would be to use the information provided within the report to update the Pendle CSP strategy for the next three years to meet specific aims which the report suggested needed most attention.

**Action:** That a working group is formed to work on proposals and identify priorities for this Partnership to work towards over the next three years. Members who offered to be on the working group were: Sarah Astin-Wood, Abdul Kheratka, Claire Bennett, Claire Pearson, Alan Garner, Jerry Stanford, David Whipp and Councillor Mohammad Aslam.

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

Updates from each Task Group, 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 briefly ran through a report she had provided (see attached) and gave a verbal update on the following key areas:

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

- 2 meetings have been held this year.
- It has been decided that we will now create access to / develop some resources and target certain types of organisations to identify and respond to CE – e.g. start with McDonalds as they are showing interest locally to engage and support community issues.
- Meeting monthly on Teams. Referrals and complexity up significantly since Covid. Separate group set up to look at issues around hoarding; hoarding process and hoarding support.
- Multi-agency outreach work in Autumn 2019 back in Colne and working in Brierfield. This is now being developed into a wider offer on different nights and different locations including Colne, Barnoldswick and Earby
- £6K funding from OPCC being allocated including a film making and a cycling project
- Continuing to work with CFW on place based on options
- Working with Colne Youth Action Group on their bid to reopen Byron Road Youth Centre
- PAC has reopened Waterside Youth Centre
- Further £10k received from OPCC to continue and expand work

- Friday night detached work continuing in Colne, engaged with Police and McDonalds positively on this. Responding to known hot spot areas.

Claire stated that the plan is now ready for a refresh to target other areas which may require more focus.

Members noted the update.

#### Tackling the Causes of Crime through Education

Claire Pearson briefly ran through a report she had provided (see attached) and gave a verbal update on the following key areas:

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

- The training on “Choose life not a knife” package is being delivered by PC Matt Lee following the success and positive feedback from session in schools across the county.
- All schools to receive training session

Since the delivery of these programmes, knife crime is now down across the whole of Pendle.

Claire stated that the plan is now ready for a refresh to target other areas which may require more focus.

Members noted the update.

#### Community Engagement

Jerry Stanford briefly ran through a report he had provided (see attached) and gave a verbal update on the following key areas:

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

- Community /Engagement Task Group attended the Colne Town Council Easter Event. Our Lancashire and Lancs. Fire & Rescue were in attendance.
- Sadly the Police were not in attendance, which was disappointing

- Group met on 27<sup>th</sup> April to discuss further community engagement activities.
- Looking to have one engagement event per month, where possible.
- Plans include Pendle libraries and supermarkets, and other community events. CSP Partners (Inspire and PAC) are also attending the Nelson Cultural Festival on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June where they will have interactive stalls.
- The Engagement Task Group has still to consider engagement opportunities in Southfield and Brierfield, following the question raised at a previous Full CSP
- The **CSP Facebook page** was launched in January 2021, the number of followers has slowly increased and now has 160 followers.

Jerry also noted that Abdul Kheratkar had arranged some visits to local libraries across Pendle and that volunteers to come along to these events to talk to residents would be welcome.

He also suggested that representation from other towns in Pendle aside from Colne would be beneficial to progress. A re-introduction of other towns Community Safety Partnerships could be a way forward.

Members noted the update.

## 5. Performance

### **Police (MATAC analytical report)**

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

Lee Sculpher quickly ran through the main headline findings and asked those present if they had any comments on the information provided:

Members noted that the age of some young offenders seems to be getting lower, which is of great concern.

Claire Pearson stated that this was already on the Police radar and early intervention programmes are currently in place and something the team are working hard to address.

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**

Plans are in place to reform the internal Genga group including staff who have joined the Council since the start of the Pandemic.

Meeting scheduled to look at how Genga should now work in Pendle and feed into the Pennine strategic group.

### **Transforming Lives Panel**

Case numbers and complexity of cases both remain high.

### **Mediation**

Two cases of the 33 on the list remain outstanding.

### **Community Protection**

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

### **Integrated Offender Management**

Tim ran through the Integrated Offender Management report (see report for full details).

Members noted the update.

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

Claire Bennett briefly ran through the report for the Domestic Abuse Services from PAC and LVS (see report for full details).

Members noted the update.

### **Inspire Substance Misuse**

Nikki Major gave a brief verbal update in relation to the latest going's on at Inspire:

- A new government strategy has been implemented which the team are currently working on.
- The team are also working on more funding bids to help the programme run
- Trying to identify new community buildings to use to help to expand the services that Inspire can offer to residents of the Borough.

Jerry Stanford suggested that Nikki contact the team at Byron Road Community Centre to see if they could accommodate in any way.

Members noted the update.

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

David Harris gave a brief verbal update in relation to the latest going's on at Inspire:

- Accidental dwelling fires increased in Pendle
- Road safety incidents also increased in the Borough
- Fire Service and Police currently delivering a 'Wasted Lives' programme to residents across the Borough to address the above issue

Members noted the update.

## **6. Forum Updates**

### **Burnley & Pendle Exploitation Awareness Group**

Claire Bennett gave a brief rundown of the latest goings-on from the Burnley & Pendle Exploitation Awareness Group:

- Group still meeting virtually. Attendance at these meetings remains quite good
- A recent event unfortunately had to be cancelled but looking at re-scheduling
- Information is being produced to allow for some face-to-face delivery in the coming weeks
- McDonald's is going to be a key area the team look at to do some of the delivery

Members noted the update.

### **Domestic Violence Forum**

Claire Bennett gave a brief rundown of the latest goings-on from the Domestic Violence Forum:

- The group are currently struggling for attendance at the forum
- Currently looking at ways of a re-vamp of the forum to introduce more key players in the service
- Group still meet online but feel that face-to-face may attract more partners to attend meetings
- Struggling for Police involvement as discussed earlier. Hopefully this will be rectified at the next meeting.

Members noted the update.

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

Jerry Stanford gave a brief rundown of the latest goings-on from the Colne Community Safety Area Working Group:

### **General Remarks**

The numbers attending has fallen again, and assistance in publicity has been sought from PBC Publicity to try and gain new members. Police attendance is haphazard which is adding to the problem.

Colne Roadshow was held as part of TFG 3 Engagement work; attendance at the Easter market was significant but as the stand had little in the way of attraction few came forward to chat and some of those were from other parts of East Lancashire. Consequently, there was limited opportunity to raise public awareness of the CSP. Fire Services had an appliance next door which was a magnet.

### **Areas of Concern**

#### **Youth Misbehaviour**

There have been Increasing number of complaints and issues with youth misbehaviour, particularly in Waterside where car damage and fire raising seems to be the “in” sport, whilst reports are also coming from Higgin St area.

#### **Drug dealing and using**

Reports still reach the group of discarded paraphernalia and associated localised illegal activity is a continuing concern to residents.

#### **Illegal and Inconsiderate Parking**

This is an on-going problem, probably for most areas; in particular Cottontree Lane, Trawden and Foulridge have had regular complaints. The Foulridge issue was pursued with Lancashire Parking with warden activity generated.

### **Colne Youth Action Group (CYAG)**

Continues to develop and improve; the Youth Centre on Bryon Rd takeover has been further delayed by LCC creating additional expense

### **General Crime**

The recent retirement by Jeff Dickinson has meant there have been no crime reports since. We look forward to this being restarted sooner rather than later. The latest report in February showed an improvement in all categories bar assaults.



Jerry ended with enquiring to the Police present who was not in charge of sorting out the crime statistics as Jeff who normally sends them has left. A lady named Kinga will be able to provide statistics for future meetings.

Members noted the update.

**Action:** Police to request Kinga circulate future crime statistics for the Colne CSP.

## **7. Prevent Update**

Sarah Astin-Wood updated members that she had recently met with the Police Prevent Team. The team now provide monthly referrals via the newly set up dashboard. The good news is that there have been none recently submitted for the Pendle area.

It was agreed that this item be left on future agendas so that any potential issues the team identify can be flagged for the attention of this partnership.

Members noted the update.

## **8. CSP Funding**

Sarah Astin-Wood gave an update around the latest CSP Funding:

The Safer Lancashire Neighbourhoods Fund information has been circulated to all Members. Grants are available for between £1,000 and £10,000 and now need to go through a detailed grants application process.

The Chairman then asked if there were any further areas that Members felt would benefit from support from the CSP funding pot. New issues could have arisen since the last meeting of this group which may benefit from assistance in terms of the CSP funding resources. No further items were raised.

Members noted the update.

## **9. Communications**

An opportunity for partners to share key messages and updates:

[Pendle Community Safety Partnership - Home | Facebook](#)

[Community Safety Partnership | Community Safety Partnership | Pendle Borough Council](#)

As ever, the Chairman asked that if anybody has any communications they wish Pendle Borough Council to circulate, that they contact the Comms Team directly.

**10. Date of Next Meeting**

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2022 at 14:00 via Teams. Invites will be sent out accordingly.

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