

SAFER PLYMOUTH PARTNERSHIP



Minutes from the meeting held on Tuesday 6 March 2018

Present:

Chief Superintendent Dave Thorne, Devon and Cornwall Police (Chair)
Matt Garrett, Head of Community Connections, PCC
Councillor Mrs Bowyer, Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Social Care (substitute for Councillor Dave Downie)
Tracey Watkinson, Safeguarding Business Manager, PCC
Helen Rickman, Democratic Support Officer, PCC
Candice Sainsbury, Policy & Intelligence Manager, PCC
Simon Hardwick, Devon and Cornwall Police
Jane Elliott Tonic, Safeguarding Adults Manager, PCC
Rebecca Cheshire, CEO, Harbour Centre
Alex Fry, Trading Standards Manager, PCC
Jamie Sheldon, Democratic Adviser, PCC
Rachel Silcock, Strategic Commissioning Manager, PCC
Jackie Kings, Community Connections Strategic Manager, PCC
Superintendent Craig Downham, Devon and Cornwall Police
Anna Moss, Harbour Centre
Ann Proctor, CRC

Apologies:

Councillor Dave Downie, Cabinet Member for Safer and Stronger Communities
Lyn Gooding, OPCC
Laura Juett, Public Health
Jacky Clift, Plymouth VCSE
Claire Oldfield, University of Plymouth

The meeting started at 9.30am and finished at 12.30pm

42. Welcome and Introductions	
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The Chair welcomed all parties and asked everyone to introduce themselves. Apologies were noted as above.

43. Minutes of the last meeting	
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Agreed the minutes of the meeting held on 14 November 2017. Under this item the Chair referred to the action points from the previous meeting and confirmed that they had been completed.

44. Draft Commissioning Plan 18/19	
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Rachel Silcock (Strategic Commissioning Manager, PCC) introduced the Draft Commissioning Plan 2018/19 and highlighted that approximately £20,000 had not yet been allocated. The Chair added that business plans had been completed by each of the Theme Leads incorporating intentions and priorities.

Under this item Theme Updates were also discussed:

- ‘Prevent’ – the multi-agency partnership plan was currently being revised; there was a focus on building relationships with the vulnerable community in the city, the visibility of the prevent agenda as well as training for front line professionals. The priority was to highlight the conversation around the prevent agenda as well as broadening the scope to include safeguarding, CSE and Modern Slavery. Multi agency training was discussed as well as the opportunity of feeding into wellbeing hubs to raise awareness;
- ‘CSE’ – there was good partnership and multi-agency working regarding this theme however more work was required to support the wider community in recognising and reporting safeguarding issues. The importance of receiving effective data on the child was discussed, and how this would help to target the focus of awareness campaigns and to help prevent young people being exploited. Priorities included working with young people to understand how to effectively communicate with them, gang exploitation and Operation Bullfinch. Members discussed the trusted relationships fund which linked to early prevention.
- ‘Alcohol Harm’ – it was expected that there may be a small capital bid for a mobile operating base to be located in the city centre to be used by street pastors, police officers, the ambulance service and other agencies. The Purple Flag Accreditation, a nationally recognised accreditation regarding excellence of provision in the ENTE, was also discussed. Members highlighted resource implications and the benefit this would have for the city, specifically regarding Mayflower 2020;
- ‘Welcoming City’ – a bid was being worked on, ready for submission to the DCLG Connecting Communities Fund for projects to be run around the city, especially linked to left behind communities. It was expected that approximately £300,000 was required to run community events and projects and encourage communities to set up their own action groups. It was considered that some areas of the city had higher frequencies of hate crime and negative attitudes towards people of difference. The DCLG had temporarily suspended the bid process however it was hoped that it would be open again in the summer. The School Empathy Pilot was also discussed whereby a project had been set up to encourage children to value difference; take up for the project was slow and there was concern that this wouldn’t be rolled out to all schools.
- ‘Discrimination and Hate Crime’ – funding to encourage third party reporting centres was in place; partnership work was due to start in April 2018. It was considered that the marketing of these reporting centres was required in order to highlight their existence. Members discussed the need to go back to One Plymouth regarding marketing communications and the need to assess the

welcoming city strap line.

- 'County Lines' – delivery plans had been revised as a result of receiving £20,000 Home Office funding. It was asked, what is meant by county lines and what are the core elements and messages that need to be advertised and managed. It was hoped that key messages would be finalised within the next few months in order to help with training, awareness and profile mapping.
- 'Modern Slavery' – the previous 12 months had focused around information sharing and awareness raising from different organisations including trading standards, licensing and immigration; positive results had been observed due to sharing information. Training and the ability to spread messages via social media was discussed.
- 'Fraud' – work had been carried out in relation to awareness raising and partnership working. Scam work, involving the National Scam Team and Trading Standards, had been undertaken. There were over 650 scam victims on the list in Plymouth and a considerable amount were considered to be vulnerable, elderly or socially isolated. Work was ongoing with housing associations, social workers and carers to highlight the risk of scams and how to recognise scams. It was discussed that more work could be done to join up messages from different organisations regarding scammers.

Action Point = For the Chair, Candice Sainsbury, Matt Garrett, Rachel Silcock and Laura Griffiths to meet separately to discuss multi agency training and potential funding.

Action Point = For the Chair, Matt Garrett, Craig Downham, Councillor Mrs Bowyer and Councillor Downie to meet to discuss the Purple Flag Accreditation and if it should be a Safer Plymouth Sub Group or should sit elsewhere.

Action Point = For a briefing paper to be submitted from Safer Plymouth to One Plymouth regarding the Welcoming City Theme group, focusing upon delivery and the marketing strategy/ communications.

45. Events and Awareness Raising	
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Anna Moss (Harbour Centre) advised Members that she was currently in the process of writing a communication plan for Plymouth detailing events in the city planned by different providers and was due to create an events calendar. Members were asked to consider how the plan should look and what did Safer Plymouth want it to contain?

Members highlighted the importance of the necessity for a broader communication plan specifying priorities and the focus audience as well as including an events calendar and a stakeholder list.

Action – for theme leads to engage with Anna Moss in order to discuss the priorities for each theme as well as awareness raising and development opportunities.

Action - Anna to bring back an early draft version of the draft communication plan to

the exec sub group scheduled for 27 April 2018.

46. Theme Updates	
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Please refer to minute 44 where Theme Updates were discussed.

47. Transforming Justice	
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Anne Proctor (Office of Police and Crime Commissioner) presented the Transforming Justice item. It was highlighted that offending and reoffending were priorities for the project, specifically low level offenders without significant criminal histories, who it was hoped could be diverted away from the criminal justice system. The project was subject to a control trial and research by Cambridge University however a similar scheme carried out in the Midlands had positive results.

Members noted the update.

48. Plymouth Report	
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This item was not discussed.

Action point – for the Plymouth Report to be included on the agenda for the next scheduled Safer Plymouth meeting.

49. Case Study for Prevent	
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This item was not discussed.

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50. Exempt Business	
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Agreed that under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 4 of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Act, as amended by the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

51. Recommendations from the Strategic Crime Assessment and Priorities for Coming Year	
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Members discussed the recommendations from the Strategic Crime Assessment and Priorities for the coming year which were published alongside the main agenda pack.

Members noted the report.