

**Safer York Partnership/Drug Action Team  
Partnership Board Meeting  
1pm - 4pm Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2011  
Committee Room 1 at the Guildhall**

**Present:** Steve Waddington, AD Housing & Public Protection, CYC  
(Chair)  
Cllr Sandy Fraser, CYC  
Andrew Stephenson, NHS North Yorkshire & York  
Mike Ryan, York & North Yorkshire Probation Trust  
Ian Hill, NYFRS  
Tom Hall, PCT

**In Attendance:** Jane Mowat, Head of Community Safety, SYP  
Leigh Bell, Substance Misuse Commissioning Manager, DAAT  
Paul Murphy, AD Integrated Commissioning, CYC  
Cllr Paul Healey, shadow portfolio for Community Safety  
Lesley Dale, NYCC  
Karen Robinson, Business Support Officer, DAAT  
Pam Tinker, Business Support Officer, SYP (minute taker)

**1. Apologies**

1.1 Apologies were received from Aubrey Smith, Pete Dwyer, Rachel Johns, Fiona Fitzpatrick, Ian Gillies, Pat Armstrong and Gina Allen.

**2. Minutes of the Last Meeting on 26<sup>th</sup> September 2011**

2.1 Minutes of the last meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> September 2011 were duly accepted as a true and accurate record..

**3. Matters Arising**

- 3.1 Jane Mowat confirmed that the Prevent meeting of the Silver Group took place on 1<sup>st</sup> August. In addition the first meeting of the Bronze Group has been held. Jane said that representation at the meeting was police dominant and requested other partners attend with particular reference to representation from Safeguarding. A joint awareness campaign with York and Selby around radicalisation is to be held on 27<sup>th</sup> January.
- 3.2 Andrew Stephenson confirmed that a response had been circulated to members in respect of budget allocations from the NTA.
- 3.3 Jane Mowat reported that she had been in contact with other cities in connection with what initiatives are being carried out with river incidents. She summarised that there was no particular innovatives being used by other cities and that the high profile "Think don't Swim" campaign is having an impact.
- 3.4 The Chair confirmed that the CYC Scrutiny Report informing members of the outcome of discussion over recording of ASB cases had been circulated.
- 3.5 Jane Mowat explained that the data for the DPPO is being gathered. It is intended to hold another meeting with the working group whereby the datasets will be pulled together. Jane said support for the DPPO has been

received from Matt France, the Community Safety Sgt responsible for licensing.

**Action: Jane Mowat to report back at the next Partnership Board.**

- 3.6 Jane Mowat reported that there is some difficulty in the SYP Media Protocol reflecting the NYP Communications Protocol as their protocol is verbal.

**Action: Jane Mowat is to re-submit the SYP Media Protocol for approval at the next Partnership Board.**

#### **4. SYP – Performance Report**

- 4.1 Jane Mowat advised that crime figures are likely to increase compared to the same period last year mainly due to the adverse weather conditions. Acquisitive crime, in particular, is likely to rise due to the economic situation of the country. SYP are working proactively with the SNA teams both through daily and fortnightly tasking. A force operation, Operation Haven is being run targeting burglary dwelling crimes. A bus campaign promoting Operation Haven is planned to go out next week and is to incorporate the new “101” number.
- 4.2 Jane reported that one of the areas of concern is that of the increase in theft of catalytic converters. Through the Task Group, Trading Standards are leading on an initiative, developed by Suffolk constabulary, to try to target this crime area.
- 4.3 Cycle crime is significantly reduced this year partly due to bikes being registered under Operation Spoke and the use of tracker bikes.
- 4.4 Jane advised that with the new Neighbourhood Safety Manager in post then future performance reports will reflect the working being carried out on Anti-social behaviour.
- 4.5 Violent crime in the city centre has reduced partly due to the change in policing patrols at weekends. Work is now being carried out with both CYC and NYP Licensing on DPPO for the city.
- 4.6 Jane highlighted to members that serious funding implications around the MARAC process, which is currently commissioned through IDAS and at present is heavily funded by the Home Office. In order to sustain this service they are looking at combining the advisers across the County.
- 4.7 Jane said she had met with Trish Hirst and a campaign is to run around the road safety pledge.
- 4.8 Neighbourhood Watch schemes are now being mapped to identify the gaps of where schemes are missing. It has been recognised that schemes are often difficult to set up in high crime areas. The new Chair of Neighbourhood Watch is linking closely with the Crime Reduction Manager by sitting on the Acquisitive Task Group. The Ringmaster audit has been commissioned by NYP and are working at cleansing the system. At present the system is underused and the aim is to utilise it to its full potential.

5. **Hate Crime Strategy**

- 5.1 Members noted the draft Strategy and requested some amendments:
- MESMAC to be included under “Resources”
  - Listing of aims and objectives earlier in the report followed by the action plan
  - Action plan to include timescales and lead responsibilities

***Action:*** *All members to cascade this document to their teams and feedback comments to Jane Mowat by no later than 31<sup>st</sup> December. The final document is to be submitted for ratification at the next meeting of the Partnership Board and signed off by the Authority in March/April.*

6. **Domestic Violence Homicide Review Protocol**

- 6.1 Jane referred to her cover report and said there are issues as to how the protocol would work as the Forum set up as a county strategy group does not have a role in decision making for York, which is a unitary authority. In addition there is no representative from York on Safeguarding functions. An additional concern is that a pot of funding is being held by County for these reviews, which can be called on when required, into which SYP and York are being asked to contribute. Jane recommended that, in the light of there being no Domestic Homicides in York in the last 10 years that York may prefer to hold the option of contributing when required.

- 6.2 Members noted the concerns and agreed that there needs to be some clarity over co-ordination and responsibility as to whether it sits with the NY Forum or SYP Board.

***Action:*** *Jane Mowat is to request a flow chart of visual clarity from Supt Lewis Raw as to the framework and management of the review protocol for the next meeting.*

7. **SYP Financial Statement (up to 31<sup>st</sup> October 2011)**

- 7.1 Jane reported that all task groups are working proactively to obtain full spend on initiatives for 2011/12. There is a likelihood that project funding will reduce by some 60% next year. She said that there may be a need to utilise some of the reserves to fill that gap. Jane advised that she will shortly be looking at pre-planning the budget for 2012/13.

8. **DAAT**

8.1 **Substance Misuse Liaison Service at York Hospital**

Leigh Bell advised that this report was submitted, at the request of the Board, setting out the history and current provision of the Substance Misuse Liaison Service which is currently being paid from the community treatment budget. Leigh asked members to consider discontinuing the funding of the post and that funding should be sought through the Hospital Trust, as it is part of their core business.

**Action: In the first instance Leigh Bell is to contact John Patterson/George Lee to identify contractual obligations. Once confirmed Leigh is to draft a letter on behalf of this Board confirming the intention to withdraw funding of the Substance Misuse Liaison Service at York Hospital.**

- 8.2 Leigh reported that five potential providers have been invited to tender. They are awaiting bids and a decision is to be made in early January 2012.
- 8.3 Paul Murphy advised that the options at Walmgate and Monkgate are no longer under consideration. However they have now identified other options within the Council's estate for the co-location of services.

**9. Frank Campaign 2011**

- 9.1 Members noted the contents of the letter and brief and details are to be forwarded to Gill Hodges, AD for Education.

**10. AOB**

- 10.1 Andrew Stephenson requested members to consider that should the commissioning responsibility of the Integrated Substance Misuse Treatment Service (IDTS) at Askham Grange be transferred to the Health Authority this Board may have to take on the responsibility of commissioning the drug and alcohol services for those in custody.

**Action: To discuss at the next meeting.**

- 10.2 The activity report from NYFRS is to be circulated with the minutes. Ian Hill requested views as to whether members would prefer to receive the services delivery report only or to include all the additional reports.
- 10.3 Members agreed meeting dates for 2012 should continue on a bi-monthly basis with the flexibility to add additional meeting should they be required.

**Dates for 2012:**

**30 January in Committee Room 2, the Guildhall**

**2 April in Committee Room 2, the Guildhall**

**18 June**

**6 August**

**8 October**

**3 December**

**(All meetings from 1pm – 4pm and venues to be confirmed)**