

**Safer York /DAAT Partnership Board**  
**Minutes of the Meeting held at 9.30am on 5<sup>th</sup> August 2013**  
**The Severus Room, West Offices**

**Present:** Supt Lisa Winward (Chair) NYP  
Steve Waddington, Housing and Public Protection, CYC  
Cllr Linsey Cunningham-Cross, CYC  
Mike Ryan, Probation  
Martin Hawkings, Public Health, CYC  
Simon Page, Youth Support Services, CYC

**In attendance:** A/Supt Phil Cain, NYP  
Cllr Paul Healey, CYC  
Liz Butcher, Public Health England  
Catherine Surtees, CVS  
Ian Cunningham, Safer York Partnership  
Pam Tinker, Safer York Partnership

**1. Apologies**

1.1 Apologies were received from Jane Mowat, Leigh bell, Kevin Hall, Paul Edmondson-Jones, Pat Armstrong and Sally Burns.

**2. Minutes of the Last Meeting**

2.1 The minutes of the last meeting, 6<sup>th</sup> June 2013, were accepted as a true and accurate record.

**3. Matters Arising**

3.1 Ian Cunningham agreed that he would be able to present a comparable dataset from the Domestic Violence figures for the next meeting in October.

3.2 Pam Tinker confirmed that the PCC funding allocation to themes had been circulated to members in June. The Chair requested that this document be attached to the minutes for reference.

3.3 Mike Ryan advised that the Co-ordinator's post for Through the Gate Project is to go through Probation's procurement process, as they will have statutory responsibility. Mike agreed to circulate options and instruction for consultation to members early in September.

#### 4. **SYP Performance Report**

- 4.1 Ian Cunningham reported that the last two months had been the lowest monthly levels of recorded crime on record. The prediction is for a 10% reduction on recorded crime by the end of the year.
- 4.2 Ian advised that consultation is to take place next month on the Alcohol Restriction Zone, which is to include the area within the city walls and to include the railway station. Key stakeholders have had two meetings, under Operation Erase, to discuss problems relating to alcohol fuelled individuals travelling to York by train each Saturday from the north east. A further meeting is scheduled for 18<sup>th</sup> September.
- 4.3 Ian highlighted that the MARAC process is in transition from IDAS to a Police function within MASH. Phil Cain reported a rise in reporting of both Domestic Violence and Hate Crime. Ian advised 21 reported Hate Crimes in York this year.

**Action: Ian Cunningham is to look at the Quality of Service being provided for Domestic Violence and Hate Crime.**

- 4.4 Ian reported that a working group are looking at tracking Mental Health needs across Housing and will then identify opportunities to provide specialist provision across all agencies. In addition MAPS meetings have had a high volume of cases. The Neighbourhood Safety Manager is to review the process, which has now been running for six months.
- 4.5 Ian reported low levels of auto crime and cycle theft. There has been a slight increase in burglary dwellings during the summer largely due to insecure properties. NYP is to introduce the CASAC (Community Action and Support Against Crime) service into the county to provide security equipment to victims of domestic burglary. This scheme will compliment the existing Handyperson Scheme used by SYP. Ian advised that with the run up to the Tour de France some work is to be carried out with Graham Titchener on securing cycle storage facilities with local Hotels and B & Bs. NYP and SYP are looking at procuring equipment which will allow the mass registration and tracing of goods on Immobilise. This equipment is already being used by neighbouring police forces.
- 4.6 Catherine Surtees referred to the Hate Crime/geographic table on page 13 and requested definitions of the categories.

**Action: Ian Cunningham is to circulate a summary of these definitions to members.**

- 4.7 Paul Healey said that he was not aware of any statistics being available on RTCs related to the “20 Plenty Scheme” being piloted in various parts of York. The Chair advised that this data may be difficult to produce as the streets selected for this scheme do not necessarily fall into the beat codes if they are discrete sections of streets rather than a larger area.

**Action: Ian Cunningham is to contact Steve Burrell, NYP and obtain pre and post implementation data and produce a brief report for the next Board meeting linked to 5.6 of the Performance Report.**

- 4.8 Liz Butcher expressed concerns that the DAAT had not produced a Performance report for the last two meetings. Steve Waddington said that at the last meeting Paul Edmondson-Jones confirmed that this Board no longer had a statutory responsibility for the DAAT but would act as a reference group for consultation. As the DAAT has now transferred to Public Health then the responsibility for their performance would now sit with the Health and Well Being Board. Liz stated that she had reservations about the capacity of the Health and Well Being Board to scrutinise DAAT performance to the required level given it's strategic nature and breadth of responsibilities. Members did agree that this Board would wish to monitor the Performance Report due to the links with alcohol and substance misuse. Liz advised that this responsibility needs to be reflected clearly in both the minutes of this Board and those of the Health and Well Being Board.

**Action: Steve Waddington is to speak to Paul Edmondson-Jones and request that at the next Health and Well Being Board that this subject is formally raised and the outcome of discussions reflected in the minutes. The Health and Well Being Boards discussions/minutes on this subject then need to be brought back to the SYP Board so that there is a clear understanding of where the detailed level of scrutiny for DAAT performance will take place. In addition this Board still requires performance scrutiny and the DAAT are to submit a Performance Report on a quarterly basis.**

5. SYP Finance Report

- 5.1 Pam Tinker confirmed that the operational income now reflected an additional £26,597 allocated from the PCC to replace the NYPA funding. This, in turn, has reduced the amount required from Reserves (originally £75K) which was originally required to balance the budget for 2013/14.
- 5.2 Pam advised that Jane had circulated the recommended allocations for the PCC funding to the Board and as there were no objections then these have now been apportioned. The aim is to focus on those priorities which link to the Police and Crime Plan goals. To date £30k has been committed to advertising. £10K has been allocated to Operation Erase and £5k to a Lifestyle Initiative, both of which are joint working initiatives with NYP and the community.
- 5.3 Steve Waddington reported that at the last Forum meeting discussion took place as to the new process for funding next year. It is likely that money will be allocated on a project by project basis and bids will have to be submitted to the Commissioner. All initiatives will have to link into the Police and Crime Plan, which has outcomes largely around perceptions rather than data on “Be safe and Feel safe”. In addition, it is likely that in the long term, the aim will be to merge all the CSPs in York and North Yorkshire to a single CSP. Steve said that this may result in changes to the funding infrastructure for at present CYC contribute over 50% to the operational budget.

## 6. **SYP Community Safety Plan Re-fresh**

- 6.1 Ian Cunningham explained that the Community Safety Plan has been updated to include the outcomes of the Crime Summit, held in April. Steve Waddington advised that next year the CSP will have to be re-written in a different style so that the work dovetails with the Police and Crime Plan and other local authority and police plans.

## 7 **RACY**

- 7.1 Steve Waddington reminded members that in April of this year a paper was submitted highlighting concerns around the falling numbers of RACY members, the quality of service provided and that the RACY Steering Group had disbanded. Consultation with RACY members indicated a lack of interest amongst members to continue with a Steering Group and that having a RACY Co-ordinator was of no added value. The Board agreed with the recommendation that due to the outcome of the RACY survey and subsequently with the financial shortfall to employ a co-ordinator unless additional funds were raised

then the service and support to the retail community would be provided through the mainstreamed capacity within SNTs and SYP. In addition the radio system would be re-tendered.

7.2 Steve advised that as part of the consultancy process through HR the Co-ordinator had produced a paper providing an alternative model. This model referred to restoring the Steering Group, improving membership retention and introducing a new database, to assist with administration of data and intelligence gathering and therefore reduce costs. Steve summarised that it is not clear whether any of these proposals could be implemented successfully. He said that this model is not sustainable and without an increase in membership and no additional levy from the store radios then there is a financial shortfall which will not meet the costs of the Co-ordinator. Given the core purpose of the scheme could be delivered through mainstream resources without any increase in cost then this option should be considered.

7.3 ***After some discussion the Board agreed to uphold the decision made in April in that the model to be adopted is to mainstream the service through the police safer neighbourhood teams and be supported by the SYP Business Crime Task Group. The post of the RACY Co-ordinator is to cease.***

***Action: Steve Waddington is to take this forward and pick up the HR implications.***

## 8. AOB

8.1 Catherine Surtees informed members that they had agreed that she may attend future meetings representing the voluntary sector and partnerships. They are, at present, focussing on the Police and Crime Plan and how it effects on the voluntary sector. A piece of work is currently being carried out with charity shops and the effects of crime. She said that as issues arise she may invite others to attend with her who has expertise in that area. The benefits of joint working may link into community projects and maximise opportunities when bidding into the Community Fund. Catherine advised that the Chief Executive for the CVS currently sits on the Health and Well Being Board and with the changes in the NHS is focussing on health and social care.

8.2 Paul Healey advised that historically Ian Gillies attended meetings in his capacity as a member of the national Safer and Stronger Communities Board. Paul explained that the opposition would like to

continue their attendance and have requested that this position be made formal.

***Action: Jane Mowat is to write to Democratic Services setting out the roles and representation on the Partnership Board and confirming that a member of the opposition may attend meetings but not have a voting right.***

- 8.3 The Chair said that from 1<sup>st</sup> April Clinical Commissioning Groups became responsible authorities on Community Safety Partnership Boards and are therefore to be represented on this Board

***Action: The Chair is to write to Dr Mark Hays, Chief Clinical Officer and invite him to identify a representative to attend the Board to fulfil their statutory responsibility.***

- 8.4 Lisa advised that she is to stand down as Chair as she has taken up a new post at Newby Wiske. She thanked members for their support and Lynsey Cunningham-Cross thanked Lisa, on behalf of the Board, for all her commitment. Lisa said that nominations had been put forward for the role of Chair and Vice Chair and requested any further nominations. As there were no other nominations:

***The Board agreed that Steve Waddington be appointed as Chair and Phil Cain be appointed as Vice Chair of the Partnership Board.***

9. **Date of Next Meetings:**

**7 October**

**2 December**

**All meetings to commence at 9.30am and to be held in the Severus Room, Level 1 at West Offices.**