Crime and Disorder Select Committee

A meeting of Crime and Disorder Select Committee was held on Thursday, 28th June, 2018.

Present: Cllr David Wilburn (Chairman), Cllr Paul Rowling, Cllr Louise Baldock (sub for Cllr Chris Barlow), Cllr Carol Clark, Cllr Kevin Faulks, Cllr Stephen Richardson, Cllr Barry Woodhouse

Officers: Satnam Singh (CS); Judy Trainer (DCE), Mark Berry (PH), Simon Milner (EGDS), Joanne Roberts (EGDS)

Also in attendance: Barry Coppinger (Cleveland Police and Crime Commissioner), Sarah Wilson (Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner)

Apologies: Cllr Chris Barlow, Cllr Ian Dalgarno, Cllr Julia Whitehill

CAD Evacuation Procedure, Audio Recording & Housekeeping Procedures 12/18

The evacuation procedure was noted.

CAD Declarations of Interest

13/18

There were no declarations of interest from Members.

CAD Minutes of the Meetings held on 8th March, 26th April & 31st May 2018 - 14/18 For Approval/Signature

AGREED That the minutes be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

CAD Monitoring the implementation of previous recommendations 15/18

Consideration was given to the assessments of progress on the implementation of

the recommendations from the following reviews:

- River Tees Crossing Infrastructure
- Dog Fouling
- Safety at Railway Crossing Points
- School Parking

The Committee viewed the web link to the Junior Road Safety Officer Scheme. A copy of the web link would be sent to all Members of the Committee. Four schools had signed up the scheme and Junior Road Safety Officers were being recruited. The Police and Crime Commissioner highlighted joint work with RNIB and agreed to share a poster about inconsiderate parking with Committee Members.

One Councillor raised concerns about possible changes to school closing times at Ingleby Manor and Ingleby Mill. Officers advised that they were aware of the proposals and a meeting with Ingleby Manor school was to be held.

AGREED that the Progress Updates be noted and the assessments of progress be confirmed.

CAD Scrutiny Review of Hate Crime 16/18

The Select Committee received a presentation from Barry Coppinger (Cleveland Police and Crime Commissioner) highlighting work across Cleveland including:

- The Cleveland Picture
- Consultation Feedback
- Reasons for under-reporting
- Actions of the Cleveland Strategic Hate Crime and Incidents Group
- Increased Investment Hate Crime Investigators, Refugee and Asylum Seeker Co-ordinator, Community Cohesion Officers
- Training Cultural Awareness Sessions, Films for front line staff, Community Hate Crime Champions
- Third Party Reporting Centres
- Public Awareness
- Support for Victims
- Race/ Religion Hate Crime Show Racism the Red Card, Media Culture
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- Homophobic and Transphobic Hate Crime
- Disability Hate Crime

Various resources were also circulated, including:

- Show Racism the Red Card Poster
- Hart Gables leaflets on biphobic and transphobic hate crime
- Hate Incident Reporting

The main issues discussed were as follows:

- The importance of role models (such as footballers involved with Show Racism the Red Card)
- A lot of reporting related to the night time economy (such as take always)
- Increased investment in dedicated roles
- In Cleveland there were currently 27 live cases (compared to 18 in Durham and 81 in Northumberland)
- Members requested a breakdown of incidents by Council area
- The importance of securing successful prosecutions
- Stockton benefitted from Transaware being based in the Stockton area and close working with Hart Gables
- An increase in reporting and a reduction in incidents was desired
- In addition to the reasons for underreporting set out in the presentation, it was highlighted that victims do not report incidents because they do not appreciate that hate crime is illegal
- The negative impact of social media and some press reporting on hate crime was highlighted
- Social media problems highlighted the importance of education and awareness raising with children in schools
- Publicity and awareness raising need to stress that if anyone feels they have been victim of hate crime, they should be encouraged to report this

AGREED - that the information be noted.

CAD Work Programme 17/18

The Committee reviewed the items to be considered at future meetings.

AGREED – that the work programme be noted.

CAD Chairs Update 18/18

The Chair had nothing further to report.