

Safer Stockton Partnership

A meeting of Safer Stockton Partnership was held on Tuesday, 24th March, 2015.

Present: Geoff Lee (Chair), Cllr Steve Nelson, Dr Neville Cameron (Cleveland Police and Crime Commissioners Office), Gilly Marshall (Thirteen), Ian Coates (Cleveland Police), Jeff Evans (DTV CRC), Miriam Sigsworth (Youth Offending Team), Frederick Gook (Stockton District Neighbourhood Watch), John Bentley (Safe in Tees Valley), Steve Hume, Caroline Wood, Julie Nixon, Jane Humphreys, Emma Champley, Kerry Anderson (Stockton Council), Cllr Paul Kirton (Cleveland Fire Brigade), James Hadman (Catalyst). Christine Goodman (Victim Support).

Officers: Claire Sills (DNS); Peter Bell (LD).

Also in attendance: Michael Taylor and Melissa White (Camhs)

Apologies: Councillor Jim Beall, Richard Poundford and Steve Rose.

1 Introductions/Apologies

Introductions and apologies were given.

2 Declarations of Interest

There were no interests declared.

3 Minutes of Meeting of 10 February 2015

The minutes of the meeting held on 10th February 2015 were approved.

4 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

5 Any Other Business - identification only

The following item of business was identified:-

Grass Fires - Fire Brigade Easter Project

It was reported that the Fire Brigade had approached the Partnership requesting funding of £618 to fund two Fire Officers to ride to grass fire hotspots to try and stop the recent spate of grass fires.

AGREED that £618 be funded from the Partnership for two Fire Officers to ride to grass fire hotspots to try and stop the recent spate of grass fires.

6 Minutes of YOT Management Board 10 February 2015

The representative from YOT (Miriam Sigsworth) was in attendance at the meeting and reported that the Ministry of Justice was in the process of doing a stocktake and the YOT would receive a formal feedback in May / June 2015.

AGREED that the minutes of the Youth Offending Team Management Board held on 10th February 2015 be noted.

7 Community Confidence in Community Safety Services

Members discussed the most recent British Crime Survey that showed that Cleveland Police had dropped a considerable amount in a league table of a confidence indicator. The representative from the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) - Neville Cameron reported that he had noted the figures and would raise the matter with the PCC Office.

AGREED that the representative from the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) - Neville Cameron raise the matter with the PCC Office.

8 Update of Street Triage Service

Members received a presentation from Michael Taylor and Melissa White on the Street Triage Service.

The street triage teams worked alongside local police forces to make sure that people who need mental health treatment receive it as quickly as possible, and aren't unnecessarily detained under Section 136 of the Mental Health Act (MHA).

When a person was held in the custody suite and it was believed that an individual involved had a mental illness, learning disability or substance misuse problem, the police would contact the street triage team of mental health nurses to carry out an immediate assessment. This determined whether the person should be held under Section 136 of the MHA and if not, whether any follow up was needed from mental health, social or substance misuse services.

It meant those people who did need care and treatment received the right services quickly, and that those who don't were not unnecessarily detained.

The service had been backed by the Home Office and had received national praise, including from the Home Secretary, Theresa May.

The service would be rolled out though out the country and Cleveland was seen as a leading light. The service had benefitted from the joined up working of the partners.

Members felt that this was a very positive presentation and that the Partnership would like to receive further updates.

AGREED that the presentation be noted.

9 Review of Children's Services

Members received a presentation on the Review of Children, Education and Social Care Delivery Arrangements Children's Services. The presentation covered the following key areas:-

- * Purpose of the Review
- * Background
- * Key Recommendations
- * Head of Schools and SEN

- * Head of Safeguarding and Looked After Children
- * Head of Early Intervention, Partnership and Planning
- * Other Key Issues
- * Functions Moving to Other Heads of Service
- * Further Reviews 2015/16
- * Consultation

AGREED that the presentation be received.

10 Police Body Worn Camera

Members were presented a report that outlined that Cleveland Police was preparing to launch 100 Body Worn Video cameras across the Cleveland Force area by April 2015. The introduction aimed to maximise crime fighting potential whilst demonstrating transparency and accountability.

AGREED that the report be noted.

11 Reports Back
a) Local Strategic Partnership
b) Adult Wellbeing Partnership

There were no reports back.

12 Date of next meeting - Tuesday 5 May 2015 at 9.30 am

The date of the next meeting was noted.

13 Domestic Abuse

Consideration was given to a report on domestic abuse. The report provided performance statistics from Cleveland Police between April 2014 and February 2015, information regarding access to Harbour services and an update regarding the Domestic Abuse Action plan.

AGREED that the report be noted.

14 Recorded Crime & Disorder

Consideration was given to a report that provided an overview on crime and anti-social behaviour levels in the borough of Stockton between April 2014 and February 2015.

AGREED that the report be noted.

15 Domestic Abuse Action Plan Q3

Members were presented with the Domestic Abuse Action Plan Q3. The Domestic Abuse Strategy identified a need to focus on Awareness and Education, Early Intervention and Support and Protection. The actions were all encompassed within these themes. The actions had been segmented into sections relating to Communications and Consultation, Data Collation and

Information Sharing, Education and Training and Development of Support Pathways as these were the four key priority areas identified for action during the consultation process undertaken from June to December 2013.

AGREED that Domestic Abuse Action Plan Q3 be noted.