Safer Stockton Partnership

A meeting of Safer Stockton Partnership was held on Tuesday, 12 February, 2019.

Present: Cllr Steve Nelson (Chair), Cllr Jim Beall (SBC - Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Health) Steve Hume, Claire Sills (SBC – Children's Services), Jamie McCann, Marc Stephenson, Craig Willows (SBC – Community Services), Marc Anderson (Cleveland Police), Alan Brown, Cllr Mick Stoker (Cleveland Fire Service), Gary Knight (SBC – Housing Services), Tanya Evans (SBC - YOT), Carolyn Chubb (Youth Direction), Sharon Barnett (National Probation Service), Angela Corner (Thirteen Group), Steve Rose (Catalyst), Sarah Wilson (OPCC), Angela Connell (???), Jean Trotter (OPCC), Nick Sea (Cleveland IOM),

Officers: Peter Bell (SBC - Democratic Services).

Also in attendance:

Apologies: Darren Redgwell and Dave Willingham.

1 Introductions / Apologies

Introductions and apologies for absence were given.

2 Declarations of Interest

There were no interests declared.

4 Minutes

Consideration was given to the minutes of the meeting held on 4 December 2018 and the attendance matrix.

AGREED that the minutes be approved.

5 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

6 Minutes of the Adult Safeguarding Board and Stockton-on-Tees Local Safeguarding Children Board

Members were presented with the minutes of the Adult Safeguarding Board held on 1 December 2018 and the restricted minutes of the Stockton-on-Tees Local Safeguarding Children Board held on 18 October 2018.

AGREED that the minutes be noted.

7 In Depth Discussion – Victim Care Pathway for Modern Day Slavery / Trafficking

Members received a presentation on Victim Care Pathway for Modern Day Slavery / Trafficking from DCI Wendy Tinkler (Cleveland Police). The presentation covered the following key areas:-

- Force Profile
- Cleveland Investigations
- Importance of Victim Care Pathway

- Case Study
- Section 45
- Issues and Difficulties
- Domestic Servitude Victims
- What Victims Need
- What do we need to do

Members noted that there was a lot of good work going on and that the TSAB and the LGA Safeguarding Forum were making good progress against the issue. There were some gaps in the network but these were being addressed. It was noted that on 16 October 2019 TSAB were having their annual conference and the main topic was the modern day slavery. Cleveland was very much ahead of the game nationally.

AGREED that:-

- 1. The discussion be noted.
- 2. The comments made from the Partnership be noted.

8 Recorded Crime and Disorder

Members were presented with a report on recorded crime and disorder.

The report provided an overview on recorded crime and anti-social behaviour incidents in the borough of Stockton for the time period April 2018 to the end of December 2018.

The bulk of the statistics utilised for this report had been obtained from Cleveland Police crime statistic database with the figures correct at the time of writing (10.01.19). The data was extracted from 'live' systems and therefore remained the subject of on-going operational activity, audit and scrutiny, and therefore may result in slight amendments to some of the statistical information in future publications.

Crime details for Darlington, who form part of the Tees Valley area, were not available at the time of writing.

The report would be not provide any detailed analysis unless there were any significant changes to patterns or trends.

Members noted that there was there was some commendable work on-going with SBC and its partners with some key individuals being targeted.

AGREED that the report be noted.

9 Community Safety Partnership Comparative Data – iQuanta - RESTRICTED

Members were presented with a restricted report that provided an overview on crime comparisons against other similar CSPs utilising iQuanta.

This report was a restricted document due to the statistical information only made available as an intelligence tool for partnerships until released by the Home Office.

AGREED that the report be noted.

10 CSP Q3

Members were presented with a restricted update on CSP Q3.

AGREED that the update on CSP Q3 be noted.

11 YOT Data Summary – Youth Justice Outcomes – Q2 Data April 2018 to March 2019

Members were presented with the YOT Data Summary – Youth Justice Outcomes – Q2 Data April 2018 to March 2019.

AGREED that the YOT Data Summary be noted.

12 County Lines

Members received a presentation on County Lines Management from DCI Wendy Tinkler (Cleveland Police). The presentation covered the following key areas:-

- What is County Lines
- Child Criminal Exploitation
- Signs to Look out For
- Who is Vulnerable
- Victims not Criminals
- Statutory Defence
- A link to a Video on youtube

Members noted that the issue was being looked at nationally and the Children's Society had received money to highlight the issue.

AGREED that the presentation be received.

13 Update on IOM

Members received a presentation on Cleveland Integrated Offender Management from Sergeant Nick Sea (Cleveland Police). The presentation covered the following key areas:-

- Vision Mission Statement
- Key Principles
- ECINS
- Through the Gate
- The Future

Members discussed the use of ECINS and the benefits that it had. Members felt that the use of ECINS had a real positive impact on partnership working and as many partners as possible should use ECINS to help share information.

It was noted that there would be an element of double input to start off with for some partners but once ECINS was used to its full potential this would stop.

Members noted that CRC, DWP, NPS, some SBC Departments and housing providers were not using ECINS yet. An ECINS co-ordinator had recently been appointed by Cleveland Police and it was hoped that this person would be able to bring more partners on to ECINS.

Members agreed that the Partnership should be given an update on ECINS at the June meeting of the Partnership and the new ECINS co-ordinator should be invited to the meeting to give a demonstration on how ECINS works.

AGREED that the presentation be received.

14 LCJB Annual Update

Members received a presentation on Local Criminal Justice Partnership Plan from Jean Trotter. The presentation covered the following key areas:-

- Positive Outcomes for Victims and Witnesses
- Reduced Intergenerational and Repeat Offending
- High Public Confidence in the Criminal Justice System
- Critical Contact Points
- The Critical Pathways

AGREED that the presentation be received.

15 Planned Reports for 2019/20

Members received a report on the Partnership planned reports for 2019/20.

AGREED that the report be noted.

16 Summary of Domestic Abuse Bill 2019

Members received a report on the Domestic Abuse Bill 2019.

The Government released the 'Transforming the Response to Domestic Abuse' consultation in March 2018. The draft partnership response from Stockton- on –Tees was circulated to the Domestic Abuse Steering Group, Stockton Safer Partnership and Health and Wellbeing board for comment prior to submission on the 31st May 2018.

The response to the consultation identified nine measures that required primary legislation to implement:-

- Provide for statutory definition of domestic abuse
- Establish the office of Domestic Abuse Commissioner
- Provide for a new Domestic Abuse Protection Notice and DAPO
- Prohibit perpetrators of domestic and other forms of abuse from crossexamining their victims in person in the family courts
- Create a statutory presumption that means complainants of domestic abuse are eligible for special measures in the criminal courts

- Enable domestic abuse offenders to be subject to polygraph testing as a condition of their licence
- Place the guidance supporting the Domestic Violence Disclosure Scheme on a statutory footing
- Ensure that, for reasons of domestic abuse, grants a new secure tenancy to a social tenant who had/has a secure lifetime or assured tenancy
- Extend the extra-territorial jurisdiction of the criminal courts in England and Wales to further violent and sexual offences

The draft bill would be subject to pre-legislative scrutiny by a joint committee of both Houses of Parliament. As well as this, a proposed package of measures to sit alongside legalisation was included within the draft domestic abuse bill.

A summary of the key points from the draft bill was attached to the report.

AGREED that the report be noted.

17 Reports Back

There were no reports back.

13 Date and time of next meeting: Tuesday, 4 June 2019

AGREED that the date of the next meeting be noted.