

# Cambridge Community Safety Partnership

18<sup>th</sup> March 2010

17:30 – 18:50

Committee Room 1  
The Guildhall, Cambridge

## MINUTES

### Board Members

Dave Sargent (Chair)

Liz Bisset

Julian Fountain

Mick Harding

Kevin Wilkins

Cambridgeshire Constabulary

Cambridge City Council

Cambridgeshire Fire & Rescue Service

National Probation Service

Cambridgeshire Police Authority

### In Attendance

Paul Griffin

Michael Hendy

Steve Kerridge

Jennifer Massie

Louise Meats

Alastair Roberts

Leigh Roberts

Tom Kingsley (Minutes)

Cambridge City Council

Cambridge Magistrates

Cambridgeshire Constabulary

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### 1. Welcome, domestics, introductions and apologies.

1.1 The Chair went through the domestics for the member of public present. The Chair then welcomed Superintendent Mike Brown from Cambridgeshire Constabulary and introductions were made.

1.2 Apologies were received from Board members Sarah Ferguson, Ruth McCallum and Inger O'Meara. Apologies were also received from Paul Connelly, Vicky Hornsby, Peter Lester, Ian Nimmo-Smith and Helen Turner.

### 2. Restorative Justice: Presentation

2.1 Superintendent Mike Brown gave a PowerPoint presentation on restorative justice. Four additional members of the public showed during the presentation but left afterwards. It was noted that the scheme would only be deployed with the consent of the victim and that there was no age limit for perpetrators. It was expected that there would be adequate records kept for the courts, should further action be warranted.

### 3. Pre-advised questions from the general public.

3.1 There were no questions from the general public.

### 4. Minutes of 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2010 Partnership meeting: Agreement.

4.1 The Minutes were agreed and would go forward for publication.

### 5. Action points: Review

5.1 The fifteen action points from the February meetings were discussed and dealt with as noted on the Action Points Schedule.

## **6. Cambridge Community Safety Plan 2008/11: 2010/11 Refresh**

- 6.1 Paul Griffin presented the final draft of the Plan refresh for its final year. The format was the same as previous refreshes, though took into account the changes to priorities and the growth agenda. The only outstanding issue remained who would lead on personal robbery, as Paul Connelly would no longer be able to lead as from the beginning of the new financial year. The Chair asked Paul Griffin to chase the County Council for a resolution to this matter.

Action point 03/01

## **7. Safer & Stronger Communities Fund (SSCF): Spend Plan**

- 7.1 Paul Griffin introduced his report on the allocation of funding for revenue projects for the coming year (2010/11). The Board were reminded that the County Council would retain capital funding, due to its reduction, and that the process for bidding had still to be finalised. The only caveat put in place with regards the projects set out in the Appendix was that the Youth Engagement Project was currently being evaluated by the Research Group and full funding may be dependent up its outcome.

- 7.2 The Board was asked to consider two recommendations:

- That the Partnership agrees the spending plan as detailed in Appendix 1 and notes the residual funding available and considers projects for funding.
- That the Partnership gives thought to capital projects to bid into the county capital pot for, and considers projects that would benefit from a countywide approach being taken.

Whilst the Board agreed the Plan as presented, it requested that the Officer Support Group continue to work with Priority Lead Officers to utilise the residual revenue funding and also prepare appropriate capital bids.

## **8. ASB Minimum Standards: Update**

- 8.1 Alastair Roberts reminded the Board that the Partnership needed to produce a set of minimum standards on tackling anti-social behaviour (ASB) by the 31<sup>st</sup> March 2010. The paper circulated to the Partnership set out the main standards, which had now been incorporated into a final document. The Board requested that this be circulated to the Partnership. Steve Kerridge stated that there were around 10/12 cases of serious ASB reported to the police.

Action point 03/02

- 8.2 Alastair Roberts had circulated a document to all elected members entitled "Anti-Social Behaviour Tools And Powers: Information Pack For Councillors." The Board asked that this be circulated to the Partnership.

Action point 03/03

## **9. Operation Vigilance: Update**

- 9.1 Paul Griffin reported that although a lot of work had been done in a very short space of time, there would be an under spend of around £10,000 which would have to be returned as it could not be carried in the next financial year. A lot of analysis had been undertaken and it was proposed to hold a separate meeting for the Partnership and others to look at the results of Vigilance and how they could be used to further reduce serious acquisitive crime, though currently the figures were positive.

## **10. National Probation Service: Accession as a statutory agency**

- 10.1 Mick Harding advised the Board that as from 1<sup>st</sup> April, the National Probation Service would become a statutory agency to crime & disorder reduction partnerships and community safety partnerships throughout the country. Also, on the same date, the Probation Service would become a trust and (for the county) would become the Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Probation Trust. Existing resources would be used to cover the expansion of the Prolific & Priority Offender (PPO) Scheme and Integrated Offender Management (IOM). As part of the restructuring, Mick Harding would be replaced by Jacqueline O'Sullivan.

## **11. Election of new Chair and Vice Chair**

11.1 Dave Sargent and Julian Fountain put themselves forward as continuing in the roles of Chair and Vice Chair / Performance Champion, respectively. The Board agreed the proposal.

## **12. Citizen Focus Champion: Comments**

12.1 Kevin Wilkins raised two points:

- The continuing work being undertaken by the constabulary and police authority in drawing up a roadmap to confidence, which would be incorporated into the policing pledge.
- Concerns had been raised about the use of a police video on the Cambridge News website relating to Strawberry Fair. The video did not have any pixilation to conceal the identity of participants. The Chair was asked to raise these concerns with Cambridgeshire Constabulary.

Action point 03/04

## **13. Any other business**

13.1 This was Leigh Roberts's final meeting before maternity leave and Louise Meats had been seconded to replace her. However, due to a restructuring within the Research Group, Michael Soper would be attending as the Group's representative on the Partnership.

13.2 This was Paul Griffin's final meeting. Lynda Kilkelly would be returning as the Strategy Officer (Community Safety).

13.3 Jennifer Massie reminded the Board of the deadline regarding the use of Basic Command Unit's residual revenue funding.

13.4 Alastair Roberts announced that the Cambridge & District Community Mediation Service had received £6,000 from the NI17 Group.

13.5 Louise Meats confirmed she would be taking the post in the Research Group and that Tina Le would be returning as the Drug & Alcohol Action Team's Information Officer.

13.6 Kevin Wilkins asked about child referrals to Social Services in relation to domestic violence. The Chair would be attending a DV workshop and would take the enquiry up at that forum.

Action point 03/05

13.7 Liz Bisset thanked Paul Griffin for all the work he had undertaken during Lynda Kilkelly's secondment.

13.8 The Chair thanked all those who were leaving for the work they had done for the Partnership.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 18:50.