

# Cambridge Community Safety Partnership

4<sup>th</sup> May 2010  
10:00 – 12:20

Committee Room 1  
The Guildhall, Cambridge

## MINUTES

### Board

Dave Sargent (Chair)	Cambridgeshire Constabulary
Liz Bisset	Cambridge City Council
Julian Fountain	Cambridgeshire Fire & Rescue Service
Ruth McCallum	Cambridge Council for Voluntary Service
Inger O'Meara	NHS Cambridgeshire
Jacqueline O'Sullivan	Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Probation Trust
Kevin Wilkins	Cambridgeshire Police Authority

### Members

Vicky Hornsby	Cambridge Business Against Crime (CAMBAC)
Steve Kerridge	Cambridgeshire Constabulary
Simon Keress	Cambridgeshire County Council
Lynda Kilkelly	Cambridge City Council
Peter Lester	Cambridge University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
Dick Moore	Cambridgeshire Constabulary
Louise Meats	Cambridgeshire County Council
Ian Nimmo-Smith	Cambridge City Council
Alastair Roberts	Cambridge City Council
Helen Turner	Cambridgeshire County Council
Tom Kingsley (Minutes)	Cambridge City Council

### In Attendance

Jo Fitzpatrick	Peterborough Women's Centre
Roz Naderer	Peterborough Women's Centre
Tim Wetherfield	Cambridge City Council

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

- 1.1 The Chair welcomed everyone and introductions were made for the benefit of Lynda Kilkelly, returning to her job as Strategy Officer (Community Safety), Jacqueline O'Sullivan, replacing Mick Harding from National Probation Service and the sole member of the public.
- 1.2 Apologies were received from Sarah Ferguson, Michael Hendy, Tina Le, Jennifer Massie and Michael Soper.

### 2. Dawn Project: Presentation

- 2.1 Jo Fitzpatrick from Peterborough Women's Centre gave a presentation on the Dawn Project, which is a Ministry of Justice funded project offering women throughout Cambridgeshire information, support and an opportunity to change aspects of their lives that they are not happy with. Following the presentation, questions were raised about engagement with women attending sessions. About 70% of the women attending engage and there is no time limit following initial engagement. With regards agency engagement, the Dawn project works with the National Probation Trusts and Drug Intervention

Programme officers. Inger O'Meara offered further assistance in engagement with NHS Cambridgeshire.

### **3. Growth Agenda: Presentation**

- 3.1 Tim Wetherfield from the City Council's Urban Growth Project Team gave a presentation on growth in Cambridge and its implication for community safety. The Government targets are 19,000 new homes in Cambridge by 2021 or 14,000 new homes between 2011 and 2031. A projected increase of 40% more homes would impact upon community safety and the Partnership's priorities. Whilst there would be steady growth, this would have to be factored into the strategic assessment. It was mentioned that the housing policy was towards under-development in order to allow growth in communities. Funding under s106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 would encompass leisure facilities and a suggestion was made concerning multi-use facilities, e.g. public houses including post office facilities. There was a warning that there would potentially be an increase of 10% in domestic violence and there was a need to continue with engagement with the public and services (including voluntary service). There was a discussion on how to take this forward and the Chair was tasked with discussing with the Urban Growth Project Team on how best to engage with the Partnership.

Action point 05/01

### **4. Pre-advised questions from the general public.**

- 4.1 There were no questions from the general public.

### **5. Minutes of 18<sup>th</sup> March 2010 meeting: Agreement.**

- 5.1 The Minutes were agreed and would go forward for publication.

### **6. Action points: Review**

- 6.1 The six action points from the February and March meetings were discussed, as follows:
- Action point 02/01: Ongoing – Sarah Ferguson was not present to give an update.
  - Action point 03/01: Closed<sup>1</sup> – Although the County Council had confirmed it would be able to deliver and report on any personal robbery projects through the North Locality team, it could not lead on the priority.
  - Action point 03/02: Closed – Document circulated on 9<sup>th</sup> April.
  - Action point 03/03: Closed – Document circulated on 24<sup>th</sup> March.
  - Action point 03/04: Closed – Letter circulated on 12<sup>th</sup> April.
  - Action point 03/05: Closed – Following clarification from Kevin Wilkins, who raised the matter, the concern was more with the quality of reporting as opposed to lack of referrals and a new action point was raised accordingly.

Action point 05/02

### **7. Cambridge CSP performance report: Q3 2009/10**

- 7.1 Louise Meats spoke to the performance report circulated prior to the meeting. Burglary of homes and cycle crime were showing as an increase in the number of offences, though a significant reduction in recorded serious acquisitive crimes during the most recent quarter ensured that the priority to reduce offences by 3.5% from the 2007/08 baseline is being achieved. High volumes of cycle thefts still occur in the city, with clear seasonal trends. The remaining priorities show an unchanged or decrease in the number of offences. There needed to be clarity on the baselines though.

- 7.2 Simon Kerss raised a concern about the number of repeat incidents of domestic violence reported by the police as he considered they were low in comparison with figures he was aware of. The Research Group would recheck the statistics in this respect and advise.

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<sup>1</sup> A new action point was subsequently drawn up to Steve Kerridge in the light of discussions on the new Serious Acquisitive Crime Group – see Action point 05/08

Action point 05/03

- 7.3 The Chair asked whether there was still a concern over the provision of call out data from the Ambulance Trust as there had been an indication this had now been resolved. The Research Group would check and advise.

Action point 05/04

- 7.4 Louise Meats then briefly spoke to the Drugs Profile document circulated to the Partnership Board and members prior to the meeting. This document had not been tabled under a separate agenda item as it was still in draft, pending receipt of the results of the student drug survey. Steve Kerridge pointed out that Strawberry Fair tended to skew drug statistics due to the manner of recording focussing on postcodes. The Research Group welcomed further comments from the Partnership Board and members.

Action point 05/05

With regards the student drug survey, a question was raised as to whether the survey, restricted to university students at present, should be extended to include sixth form colleges. The Research Group would look at this.

Action point 05/06

## **8. Priority area monitoring reports for Q4 2009/10**

### **8.1 Alcohol-related violent crime**

Dave Sargent spoke to the report circulated prior to the meeting, highlighting the launch of the Police Information Point at Addenbrooke's A&E Unit on 3<sup>rd</sup> March, commencement of Street Pastor patrols on Saturday nights as well as Friday nights from 20<sup>th</sup> March and the restructuring of the Alcohol-Related Violent Crime Task Group to incorporate alcohol-related ASB as from 1<sup>st</sup> April. There was a concern noted of underage drinking on the Leisure Park on Friday nights and this was being address by the Neighbourhood Policing Team.

### **8.2 Anti-social behaviour (ASB)**

Alastair Roberts spoke to the report circulated prior to the meeting, highlighting the conclusion of the "Sort Your Lights Out" campaign, in which 84 Fixed Penalty Notices were issued in January and February for cycling-related offences. Three street surgeries were held, which were very successful. Free running/parkour remains an issue. The Partnership's ASB Minimum Standards document was approved and is now available on the City Council's website.

### **8.3 Burglary of homes**

Steve Kerridge spoke to the paper circulated prior to the meeting, highlighting the significant reduction in the quarter's offences from 356 to 200. Overall 843 offences were recorded for the year compared to 1085 last year. The Research Group was currently conducting an evaluation of the use of SmartWater and a request was made to the Research Group for a completion date for this.

Action point 05/07

It was noted that existing stocks of SmartWater would only last until the middle of June (on the basis of it only being given to victims of burglary) and that it appeared no further capital funding was available to purchase further kits. There was a proposal put forward to amalgamate the burglary of homes, personal robbery and cycle theft activities under one task group to be called the Acquisitive Crime Group.

### **8.4 Domestic violence (DV)**

Simon Kerss spoke to the reports circulated prior to the meeting, focussing on the appointment of Dave Sargent as the Chair of the DV Task Group and the success of the

DV Conference on 3<sup>rd</sup> February. With regards his own report as Domestic Abuse Partnership Manager, Simon highlighted the fact that Cambridgeshire had met its National Indicator 32 target, work was continuing to develop a community-based programme for men who use violence in their relationship, and the recruitment of a full-time Independent Sexual Violence Advocate for the county.

A proposal was put before the Partnership Board to merge the Cambridge & South Cambridgeshire DV Task Group with the East Cambridgeshire DV Task Group to form a Southern Cambridgeshire DV Task Group. The merger would make better use of time and resources. The Board accepted the proposal.

**8.5 Personal robbery**

Steve Kerridge spoke briefly to the report circulated prior to the meeting, highlighting that this priority would be drawn under the new Acquisitive Crime Group, though a lead officer would still need to be agreed with the County Council. Steve Kerridge was tasked with progressing this.

Action point 05/08

**8.6 Reducing re-offending**

Dick Moore spoke to the report circulated prior to the meeting, highlighting the work to be done to prepare for the introduction of Integrated Offender Management (IOM) and its impact on the Prolific and Priority Offender Scheme and Drug Intervention Programme (DIP).

**9. Drug and Alcohol Action Team report: Q4 2009/10**

**9.1** In Tina Le's absence, Louise Meats spoke to the report circulated before the meeting, highlighting the young peoples' DAAT services (Cambridgeshire Child and Adolescent Substance Use Service), Cambridgeshire DIP and the performance for the previous quarter. The Cambridgeshire DAAT has been identified as one of the lowest performing in the country with regards planned treatment exits and has been required to complete an action plan, which will be reviewed quarterly. A comment was raised regarding the length of time clients remain on a prescription, some over 15 years. The DAAT was requested to provide further details on this along with a comparison with similar areas.

Action point 05/09

**10. Performance Champion: Comments**

**10.1** Julian Fountain thanked lead officers for getting their monitoring reports in on time. The areas of concern highlighted in the performance report must be focussed upon, especially cycle theft in the light of it becoming a priority for 2010/11. The DV issue raised by Simon Kerss was worrying and had to be looked into further. There was a challenging target for reduction in burglary, but a lot of work had already been done to reduce it.

**11. Information Sharing Agreement: Revision and re-signing**

**11.1** The Chair highlighted the fact that the ISA had recently been revised to take into account legal changes and it was proposed to re-sign the document, especially since there had been a number of agency name changes and personnel changes. The document was circulated for signature.

**12. Operation Vigilance: Update**

**12.1** Dick Moore stated that Home Office funding had ceased on 31<sup>st</sup> March and that a final report was being prepared for the Partnership Board on the work undertaken and any recommendations from project team leaders on how best to use the analytical information gathered during the operation.

**13. Reducing Offending & Re-offending: Proposed changes to Prolific & Priority Offender Scheme / Integrated Offender Management**

13.1 Dick Moore highlighted the integration of the Drug Intervention Programme and PPO Scheme, helped by having the personnel in one office. The PPO Co-ordinator role would become the IOM Co-ordinator over a two to three year period as IOM developed. The overarching Steering Group would also change from PPO to Reducing Re-offending then IOM Steering Group over a similar time frame. An action plan had been developed. There would be a proposal put before the Safer & Stronger Board for funding for an IOM Development Officer.

**14. Citizen Focus Champion: Comments**

14.1 Kevin Wilkins suggested that the good news in the performance report regarding falling crime should be advertised by the Partnership.

**15. Any other business**

15.1 Jacqueline O'Sullivan reported that Probation Trust representation at Partnership meetings would be changing again and, once settled, the Trust would welcome suggestions from the Partnership as how best to work together.

15.2 Ruth McCallum mentioned a Diversity in Public Life conference that was taking place for the voluntary sector.

15.3 There being no other business, the meeting closed at 12:20.