COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP - EXECUTIVE GROUP

Wednesday 26 July 2017

Present:-

Superintendent Sam De Reya - Devon and Cornwall Police

Simon Lane
Simon Arliss
Councillor Stephen Brimble
Denise Dearden
Karen Mandefield
Stephen Matthewman

- Exeter City Council
- Devon & Cornwall Police
- Trading Standards
- Devon & Cornwall Police
- DCC Early Help Provision

Melinda Pogue-Jackson - Exeter City Council
County Councillor P Prowse - Devon County Council

Lisa Rutter - Devon Youth Service - Exeter, East & Mid Devon
Gareth Sydenham - Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue Service
Lisa Vango - Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner

Jamie Vittles - Exeter City FC Football in the Community (Min. No. 2 only)

Jo Quinnell - Exeter City Council

Apologies:-

Simon Bowkett - Exeter CVS

Nigel Deasy - Devon & Somerset Fire and Rescue Service

Councillor Peter Edwards - Exeter City Council
Karime Hassan - Exeter City Council
Gill Unstead - Public Health Devon

1 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING - 26 APRIL 2017

The minutes of the last meeting held on 26 April 2017 were agreed.

The Winter edition of the Citizen would focus on DSVA issues including the 16 Days of Action taking place on 25 November – 10 December.

A discussion was held on the content of the Autumn edition. Options were scams, hate crime or youth issues. The Committee agreed later in the meeting that scams issues would be the focus for the Autumn edition and Denise Dearden would forward draft content.

1a Action Plan

The Action Plan was noted.

An application had been submitted to the Police and Crime Commissioner from the City Council for Exeter to become a CCTV hub.

All organisations represented on the CSP had signed up to the Zero Tolerance to Hate Crime campaign.

2 EXETER CITY FOOTBALL CLUB PRESENTATION - PREMIER LEAGUE KICKS PROGRAMME

The Chair welcomed Jamie Vittles, Head of Community, Exeter City FC Football in the Community, to the meeting. Jamie gave a presentation on the Premier League

Kicks Programme.

An application had recently been submitted to the Exeter Board Community Grant Fund which had been successful. This would allow for the extension of the Our Kicks project to the Merrivale Road area of the city.

Following the investment in Year 1, additional investment would be sought from local authorities to further deliver the programme. £800 had been received from the Community Safety Partnership last year.

There had been a decrease in anti-social behaviour in the Wonford area following the programme, and efforts would now be made in the Exwick area.

Discussion was held on the 50% reduction in attendance of PL Kicks Wonford during the funfair in Exeter, and the intervention work that needs to take place next year. Engagement would continue within McDonalds on the reasons young people are in the city centre when activities are taking place elsewhere in Wonford that they could engage in.

In response to a question as to whether first aid was included in the training, Jamie Vittles advised that this was not, but he welcomed any ideas to enhance the project, including basic lifeskills. Simon Lane had also been in contact with a street art organisation to see if talent can be channelled more positively as part of this project. The CSP would also welcome a more balanced representation, with more female participation.

The Devon County Council Locality Budget was also suggested as a possible funding stream. County Councillors have a budget of £10,000 for the 2017/18 financial year that they can use to make grants to support projects or activities that benefit the communities they represent. Reference was also made to the Crime Beat Fund, but Jamie advised that an application had already been submitted. The Chair would contact them to express the CSP's support of this funding.

Keyworkers are able to refer young people within target families aged between 8-19, or volunteers up to age 25, and awareness of this needed to be raised. Stephen Matthewman advised that materials could also be provided where workshops take place for families in need and early help triage as they may benefit from attending the activities.

The CSP recognised the good work of the project and that it had been very effective in engaging with young people who had previously proved difficult to reach, particularly with the loss of youth clubs.

It was therefore proposed that £1,000 is awarded by the CSP towards the project. The Chair also advised of the potential to divert some funding from graffiti money from Devon & Cornwall Police.

Agreed that:

- (1) funding of £1,000 is awarded from the CSP to continue the project
- (2) Funding of £1,500 to divert from Devon & Cornwall Police graffiti money is also awarded to encourage the project to run in additional areas.
- (3) A link to be sent to Jamie for DCC Locality Funding
- (4) Jamie to be contacted with any ideas to enhance the project
- (5) The Chair to express support for Crime Beat application submitted under One Game, One Community (part of Kicks project)

- (6) CSP Logo to be used on any promotional material suggestion to use quotes and comments from young people
- (7) CSP to promote Premier League Kicks
- (8) Stephen Matthewman to obtain Premier League Kicks materials to offer to families in need
- (9) Work would be conducted around funfairs
- (10) Look at helping to cover issues such as CSE, Prevent and Hate Crime
- (11) Raise female participation from 20% to 30%

QUESTIONS ON REPORTS FROM WORK STRANDS

3a Chair's Report

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An update was provided on discussions held at the Safer Devon Partnership Board on 25 July as follows:

- Substance misuse recommissioning and drug related deaths there were concerns that drug related deaths had now increased and overtaken the number of road deaths. The presentation would be circulated when available. Naloxone was discussed and is being progressed so it can be carried by Police and Fire officers as part of their kit. Naloxone is an opiate antidote, and can be used to reverse the effects of an overdose in an emergency situation. The average age of deaths is currently 41 for women and 42 for men.
- The topic of homelessness would be on the next SDP agenda to drive support for integrated services.
- Domestic and Sexual Violence and Abuse Questions were raised around what the strategy wants from CSPs and how recommendations would be delivered.
- The Prevent anti-terror programme and the SDP's Prevention Strategy further detail will be forthcoming of expectations of CSPs.
- A review would be taking place on Sexual Assault Referral Centres.

The Chair then presented her report circulated with the agenda.

The Devon & Cornwall and National County Lines reports would be circulated. Training with the Fire Service would be undertaken and briefs would be pulled together for organisations on how to help with issues related to organised crime groups. A case would be going to court in July and CSP members would be advised of communications prior to this.

The 'Young people who go missing' leaflet was circulated which contained information for carers and practitioners of people in care. There are links with drugs activity and concerns over drug trafficking and CSE. A meeting would be held with foster care providers in September.

The Street Attachment Group (StAG) is currently on hold awaiting an Integrated Care for Exeter (ICE) update. There would be links with the ICE Design Workshops and any StAG activity would be put on hold until the outcomes are known. Discussions would be held at the next Safer Devon Partnership meeting, and the Chair would also meet with the Chief Executive of the City Council as the Police are reactive in situations but discussion needs to be held around service provision.

The PORCH (Prolific Offender Resettlement through Coordinated Housing) Project funding had fallen through, and consideration was being given to divert this funding towards homelessness.

Lisa Rutter felt that there should be greater links between children and adult services as the Missing and Child Sexual Exploitation Forum (MACSE) was dealing with individuals who had gone through both services.

Councillor Brimble referred to the homeless issue and the that the causes of issues over many years needed to be considered, including what had changed over this time that had increased the problems being experienced, such as mental health services, housing support etc. Enforcement needs to be in place to tackle issues such as aggressive begging, and the PSPO will help address issues.

Agreed:

- (1) Substance misuse recommissioning and drug related deaths presentation to be circulated
- (2) County Lines reports to be circulated.
- (3) Chair and OPCC to consider movement of funds.

3b Deputy Chair's Report (to follow)

The Deputy Chair's report would be circulated with the minutes.

PSPO signs would be erected on 27July and an example was circulated. The PSPO would be effective from 1 August and communications would be issued. Appropriate protocols were in place and officers had been briefed.

A briefing for Fresher's Week will take place on Sunday 17 September for all partners.

A further arrest had been made recently for graffiti tagging offences and is going through the criminal justice system. A lot of resources are being directed into graffiti issues, and Crimestoppers is being used, but communities needed further encouragement to report any incidents.

3c Vulnerability/Cyber Crime - Denise Dearden

Denise Dearden presented her report.

July is scams awareness month and there had been a lot of publicity surrounding this. There had been a focus on young people at risk through the internet, online shopping, personal details etc, and also in relation to Snapchat which identifies the users location.

A scams quiz is also available online which gives examples of emails and telephone calls, asking the participant to identify if it is a scam or not. This had attracted a lot of interest. The quiz can be found here - https://www.independentage.org/information/money/scams/scams-quiz

The National Banking Protocol is a project involving training of bank and post office staff to watch out for unusual transactions being made by customers and talking to the customer about what the money is for. They are then able to dial 999 if they have any suspicions and quote 'banking protocol' to receive a guaranteed police response so that action can be taken immediately. The financial investigation team can start separate proceedings to recover any money to return to the victim. A case would be going to trial in September under the Proceeds of Crime legislation.

The regional SW Trading Standards Group which covers all police forces in the South West may do some publicity at the end of the year. Denise was unaware of anything specific across Devon and Cornwall.

Karen Mandefield would check if scams were on the police publicity programme.

3d Domestic Family & Sexual Abuse - Melinda Pogue-Jackson

Melinda Pogue-Jackson presented her report.

The Exeter Domestic and Sexual Violence and Abuse Forum had a new Chair in place, and a meeting had been held to discuss the focus and future of the Forum.

As a result of this, the Forum had requested if a quarterly ward based report on DSVA in Exeter could be provided to assist in making informed decisions about priorities. The Forum would also ask for similar data from other local DSVA agencies.

The Chair asked if a formal request to the Police could be submitted, to include the reasons and potential outcomes as a result of using the data.

The PCC Plan included some published data and the initial snapshot could be taken to the next Forum meeting. Melinda would speak further with Lisa Vango.

The Safer Devon Partnership had now set up a communications group which would be publishing a long term strategy, to include 16 Days of Action.

It was acknowledged that there was a general lack of awareness of the DSVA Strategy and this would be circulated again.

Agreed:

- (1) Melinda to formally submit a request for police data around DSVA to be provided to the Forum
- (2) The Chair to pursue lack of police representation at meetings.
- (3) DSVA Strategy to be circulated.

4 EARLY HELP UPDATE - PRESENTATION BY STEPHEN MATTHEWMAN

Stephen Matthewman gave a presentation on Early Help in Devon.

Early Help is good practice, not a process or a service, and is available to families not open to social care that have additional needs and can help families solve their own problems. Some families have a better outcome at an early help level and the Early Help Assessment thinks about the whole family.

Early Help is consent based and works with families who have given their agreement.

Devon County Council funds some targeted services, such as the Family Intervention Team, but funding of £16,000 was available of up to £200 per family for activities, clothing, white goods etc.

Stephen chairs the Exeter Locality Alliance to ensure the effective implementation of Early Help, which also discusses how to improve, gaps in provision and understanding what services are already available so as to avoid duplication.

Troubled Families have a grant until 2020, and conversations would need to be held about the possibility of mainstreaming some services as preventative work is equally as important.

YOUTH STRATEGY - LISA RUTTER

The 'Exeter: A Young People-Friendly City – Towards a youth strategy for Exeter' was circulated.

The document was produced as a result of concerns from the Exeter Board on cuts to youth services, and a consultation had been commissioned. 680 young people were involved.

6 priority actions were identified in the leaflet, and a lead officer for each of these priorities would be identified to take the recommendations forward.

It was anticipated that the priority groups would be advertised in October and the CSP would be advised of the leads in due course when available. Stephen Matthewman advised that he would identify where this links with Early Help.

It was noted that the PCC had committed to a voice for young people within the Work Plan for 2018.

The CSP welcomed this piece of work, but recognised that it does need a coordinator to take the recommendations forward, and questions around how young people will be included in ideas and implementation.

Agreed that:

- (1) The CSP supports this work
- (2) Chair to speak to the Police Cadets to identify any existing delivery that could be tapped into.

SCHOOLS INITIATIVES - WHAT ARE WE DOING?

Due to time constraints this would be discussed further at the next meeting but the following comments were made on reports circulated:

As reported at the last meeting, the Tender Project (an arts charity that works with young people to prevent domestic abuse and sexual violence) could still make a funding request to the CSP.

Lisa Vango reported on a potential project linked to parents in relation to cyber education, looking at young children around 9 years of age as parents may be more receptive. It would be useful to know of any other similar projects in order to avoid any duplication.

It was noted that the Junior Lifeskills for Year 6 students in the city is funded by the CSP.

Agreed that the CSP:

- (1) supports funding the Junior Lifeskills project for a further £1,000; and
- (2) supports funding the Chelsea's Choice programme with £2,000.

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Inspector Simon Arliss reported that there would be a further reduction in the number of PCSOs over the coming months and years. The neighbourhood policing teams function includes problem solving through partnership, connectivity and engagement and this would continue. Simon advised that some issues could be resolved by a quick phone call to allow them to escalate issues swiftly if necessary.

The Devon and Cornwall Alert leaflet was also circulated for information which is a two-way community messaging system operated by Devon and Cornwall Police to advise what is happening in the area, and provides options on how this information is received.

Lisa Vango advised that the PCC Office had put additional investment into Crimestoppers and discussions would be held on how to work more effectively and innovatively on local campaigns.

8 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

8a Communicating information shared at CSP meetings

The Chair advised that this issue was discussed at the Safer Devon Partnership Board on 25 July as a result of an incident where sensitive information had been shared inappropriately.

A gateway review would be undertaken to ensure any communication is signed off.

The Chair reminded colleagues that any information shared at meetings should be regarded as sensitive and confidential unless otherwise advised.

8b Grenfell Tower

Following the tragic fire at Grenfell Tower, comment was requested on any impact in Exeter.

Gareth Sydenham reported that all high risk buildings in the city had been inspected, and no buildings had been identified with similar fire risks. 31 buildings had been checked, and Building Control had also been involved in this process.

Awareness work had been undertaken with residents in high rise buildings to help reduce the risk and to ensure residents were aware of the policy in the case of a fire. Return visits would be made to residents to undertake further fire safety talks.

8c **101 number**

A member raised concerns around accessibility of the 101 number and the difficulties trying to feed through concerns. It was suggested that if 101 could not be reached by telephone, another option was to email on 101@dc.police.uk

The Chair would take concerns back.

(The meeting commenced at 2.30 pm and closed at 5.03 pm)