

Minutes of the CDRP Leadership Group Meeting, Friday 16 September, 9.30am, Durranhill Police Station, Carlisle

Present

Jane Muller
Louise Wilkinson
Justin Robinson
Keith Gerrard
Jacquelyne Geddes
David Sheard
Fiona Robson
Paul Foote
Kate Kay
Allison Taylor
Gill Wood
Sean Robinson

1. Apologies

Sean Ruane
Don Spiller
Caroline Green
Neil Thomson
Beth Furneaux
Paul Taylor
Mary Robinson
Mark Clement

NHS Cumbria
CDRP
Cumbria Fire & Rescue
Carlisle City Council
Carlisle City Council
Cumbria County Council
Cumbria County Council
Eden District Council
Cumbria Gateway
Cumbria Gateway
Cumbria Probation Trust
Cumbria Constabulary

Youth Offending Service
Cumbria Constabulary
Cumbria Probation Trust
Cumbria Constabulary
Cumbria Police Authority
Riverside Carlisle
Eden District/ County Council
Cumbria County Council





2. Declarations of interest

Jacquelyne Geddes declared an interest in Item 6 (b) Cumbria Gateway funding application as she knows the land lord of the property.

3. Minutes of the previous meeting and matters arising

- Tony Quinn could not attend the meeting today to discuss the City West PSG however he will be able to attend the next meeting hopefully if operational duties do not prevent him from doing so. The 6 Month Review should be ready for the next meeting.
- Sean Robinson stated that although the Parish Council is unresolved (Mark Pannone is working outside this force at present and Mary Robinson has sent apologies) it is unfeasible to expect the there will be an officer present at every Parish Council meeting and if any problems/issues are raised then a meeting should be arranged with an officer.
- A press release was wrote and published regarding the success in the 12 Month Review and this was circulated to partners.
- Sonia Wright circulated the task group action plans.
- Performance Reward Grant David Sheard believes that Cabinet finally agreed yesterday that the grant will go towards broadband.

4. Performance

North Cumbria Overall (as of 14 September)

Overall Crime - 8

4541 crimes took place in North Cumbria last year and in the 6 month period it has reduced by 8 (4549) which is a success considering the low targets which we were to meet.

Burglary Dwelling +6 compared to last year; with such small figures there are no trends or patterns to target. There have been 114 burglary dwellings in the whole area incidents since April and the majority were unsecure.





ASB

-1441 incidents of ASB compared with the same period as last year. More specific in NPT areas this was:

Brampton -164 Eden - 429 Carlisle E - 266 Carlisle W - 582

Sean Robinson believes these continued reductions are a result of the good partnership initiatives which we have introduced, for example, Summer Splash which has made a big impact on ASB figures in each area. There have also been reductions in criminal damage.

Violent Crime

-87 less assaults with less serious injuries than same period last year. Serious VC has seen an increase of 2 incidents compared to this time last year. Sean Robinson praised the use of early interventions, proactive work with licensees and high visibility of the police for these reductions; highlighting that Penrith adopted some measures which are used in Carlisle City Centre when VC began to rise; creating Operation Nottingham, which in turn has seen reductions in Penrith.

Sean praised Eden NPT inparticularly for exceptional performance recently, relating this to a restructure which has been undertaken. There was a rise in vehicle crimes around one particular Holiday Park in Eden however they are co operating with the Police to solve this and next year a possible Street Safe will be organised around the campsite to try and educate campers.

Sean added that the good work that the partnership is doing needs to continue as much as possible in this current climate and we should begin to plan ahead to ensure diversionary activities for young people inparticular are not lost.





Sean stated that there had been a slight rise in pedal cycle theft in Carlisle and there has been an Operation in place since July which will run into October in light of the University students returning. Louise Wilkinson stated that the CDRP is working with the Community Safety dept to fund cycle labels and possibly bike locks. David Sheard added that money could be obtained from Neighbourhood Forums in terms of funding something which will make stop and searches easier. Jacquelyne Geddes also added that as part of Healthy City week the Police could perhaps attend and interact with the public via this.

5. Integrated Offender Management

Sean Robinson and Gill Wood ran through the process for the IOM task group which will be essentially another version of the Prevent & Deter Panel for adults. Gill will chair this group; partners will be able to refer individuals and the group will determine a plan of action. Unlike the process taken with PPO's, if those adopted onto IOM do not want to engage then they will be signed off and someone else will be taken on. The terms of reference have been drafted and circulated and need agreeing by partners; the task group will meet on a monthly basis and feed into a quarterly strategic group as well as the Leadership. The launch for practitioners will take place on 14 October.

Sean and Gill added they will need the commitment from partner agencies to commit to the group; with Carlisle City's homelessness dept highlighted as an area which needs to be utilised. Keith Gerrard assured Gill that there would be representation.

AGREED: = Terms of Reference for the IOM task group were agreed.

6. Finances

Louise Wilkinson updated on the partnerships current financial situation.

Louise stated that if the same allocation approach is taken by County, we may receive around £20,000 in funding next year, however if a commissioning approach is use we may be entitled to less or more. This situation is unclear at the moment.

Louise added that the task groups are looking towards the future and planning long term sustainable projects.





Louise informed the group of a new funding stream available from the Home Office - 'Community Action Against Crime' Innovation Fund. This has to be community led and supported by the CDRP and strategic groups. There is £5 million pound available nationwide this year and next year also.

a) Funding Application – Cumbria Gateway; requested £2,000

Allison Taylor provided the group with an overview of the Cumbria Gateway project – 4 flats to house people who have recently detoxed or left prison, a basement to undergo training, activities, an office and a shop front which eventually will be used for an innovation project, most probably a charity shop ran by the service users.

Riverside has provided some funding already, as has the Police property fund. Carlisle City has provided office equipment and an application is under consideration at Northern Rock. Donations have also come in for paint/brushes and locks.

The group agreed there was a gap in the City for something like this however there were concerns about future funding and the use of the project as a social enterprise. It was agreed that the need for innovation and change outweighed these concerns.

AGREED: = £2,000 towards Cumbria Gateway Project.

7. Task Group Updates

a) Violent Crime

John Bell sent a written update, with Louise Wilkinson summarising the following points; Operation Nottingham which was created in Penrith in response to an increase in violent crime in the town centre, has been seized for the time being, with most areas being made main stream business. This worked successfully and violent crime has decreased. A sting on unlicensed taxis in Eden is due to take place to combat this reported problem and increase safety in the night time economy.





The full evaluation has been published following this years Appleby Fair and it was found the majority of reported incidents were non alcohol related and the task group funded door staff were a great success. It is hoped that licensees will self fund this project next year.

The task group is working on a DV/ VC campaign to launch around Christmas. This will target offenders and increase awareness of safety in the night time economy in light of sexual assaults and alcohol related DV.

b) ASB & Criminal Damage

Neil Thompson sent a written update outlining the success of the 'Summer Splash' project and the forward planning of Operation Roman Candle.

Louise Wilkinson further explained the new process emerging around the redeployment of CCTV cameras; it was brought to the task groups attention by Carlisle City's CCTV Manager, Peter Vincent that it will now cost hundreds of pounds to test each lighting column before a camera can be deployed on it. Louise therefore stated this may be the end of CCTV redeployment as we know it. A test sample will be done in Carlisle on columns regularly used however this is not to say these lighting columns will be passed as suitable for use. There has been nothing mentioned of columns in Eden at present.

Louise is looking into a telescopic pole which could be used to deploy the cameras, this will then also ensure the project is sustainable post March 2012. David Sheard added that he would be happy to provide funding from the Neighbourhood Forum groups. Keith Gerrard and Jacquelyne Geddes were not aware of these changes and will take back concerns.

AGREED: = Keith Gerrard and Jacquelyne Geddes to look into this, liaising with Angela Culleton and Peter Vincent, and feedback to next meeting.

c) Domestic Abuse

The DV Champion agreements have been circulated and the introductory meeting is taking place next week; following this and receipt of all agreements the Champions will begin training. Louise Asked that members consider the agreement and nominate individuals from their agency if appropriate.





8. Joint Scrutiny Update

Louise Wilkinson updated the group on the recommendations from the Joint Scrutiny Panel. One of the recommendations was that the Leadership Group look at the future of the partnership post March 2012. Louise proposed that there is a one item agenda meeting to look at this.

AGREED:

= Jane Muller to co ordinate a meeting with a few partners and put something together which will be presented to Leadership Group on 11 November regarding the partnership post March 2012.

David Sheard added that there was a Cabinet decision made yesterday that County members and officer will not continue to support LSP's but will continue to attend SSCTP and others – including delivery groups and therefore CDRPs.

9. Serious & Organised Crime Presentation

Jason Hudson and Liz Graham gave a presentation on the large drug operation which took place on Botcherby earlier in the year; since the eradication of this SOC group there has been a dramatic improvement in the area.

Jason proposed in the future a SOC sub group for the CDRP being established. Louise Wilkinson added that with the strategic assessment arriving soon, this may be something which we would want to include as a priority.

The next meeting will take place on Friday 11 November, 9.30am at Durranhill Police Station, Carlisle

