



**Safer York /DAAT Partnership Board  
Minutes of the Meeting held at 1pm on 31<sup>st</sup> July 2014  
King Richard III Room, West Offices**

**Present:** Steve Waddington (SW), Asst Director Housing and Community Safety, CYC (Chair)  
Ch Insp Alisdair Dey (AD), NYP  
Cllr Tracey Simpson Laing (TSL), CYC  
Mike Ryan (MR), HLNy Community Rehabilitation Company  
Angela Crossland (AC), Youth Offending Team

**In attendance:** Jane Mowat (JM), Head of Community Safety, SYP  
Leigh Bell (LB), Substance Misuse Co-ordinator, DAAT  
Melanie McQueen (MM), York CVS  
Pam Tinker (PT), Partnership Support Officer, SYP

**1. Apologies**

1.1 Apologies were received from Phil Cain, Jon Stonehouse, Paul Edmondson-Jones, Julie Hotchiss Pat Armstrong and Dave Dryburgh.

**2. Minutes of the Last Meeting**

2.1 The minutes of the last meeting dated 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2014 were duly accepted as a true and accurate record.

**3. Matters Arising**

3.1 JM advised that she is to pick up the action on Club Drugs from the PH Substance Misuse Profile and circulate.

3.2 LBU was unavailable to provide a project plan of the "Changing Lives" programme. An update is to be circulated.

3.3 JM confirmed that the Domestic Abuse Strategy Group is to be discussed and is to report through the Implementation Plan.

3.4 JM advised that she is discuss outside the meeting with YOT the piece of work carried out for Youth Support Services which gives an

indication of locations of youth anti-social behaviour. This data is to be included in future Performance Reports.

- 3.5 LB confirmed that a sub group has been convened to assist in producing a City of York Alcohol Strategy. An update and timeline is to be brought back this Board.

#### 4. **SYP Performance Report**

- 4.1 JM summarised that there is a prediction that total crime in York is to rise. She asked members to note that York is currently in its best position of 9<sup>th</sup> place in the IQuanta crime family. This indicates that York is focussing on the problems whereas other cities are struggling.

- 4.2 JM advised that AVANTE met yesterday and some concerns were raised around licensed premises, being blamed by the media, for causing alcohol issues. At the meeting Gill Kelly, Consultant at the Emergency Department, presented findings of a study of the night time economy being undertaken using A&E alcohol admissions. The study showed that interventions made since September 2013 have had a positive effect in reducing attendance linked to alcohol. It is intended to respond by issuing a proactive press release and to include the findings of this survey.

- 4.3 JM reported that the ASB Hub went live on 1<sup>st</sup> May. Improved communications in being able to case share with partners is now providing a much quicker response to cases. A further grant from the Police Innovation Fund has been secured.

***Action: Paul Morrison and Insp Charlotte Bloxham are to provide a short update on the ASB Hub and the next stages of the successful bid secured from the Police Innovation Fund.***

- 4.4 JM reported low levels of acquisitive crime in York during the first quarter of the year. She said that with the recent major events in July and the increase in visitors there is no evidence that there has been an increase in the theft of high value bikes.

- 4.5 JM advised that shoplifting is on the increase. YBAC is now established with a Board of Management and to date there are currently 48 stores and 72 evening venues signed up to YBAC. YBAC is hoping to achieve accreditation in September.

## 5. Update on OPCC Funding

- 5.1 JM advised that the OPCC have not approved the proposals in their current state as they require additional datasets. JM and SW met with the PCC and have achieved clarity as to what is required. JM is to meet with Sarah Graham (OPCC) next week to work through the proposals and the level of detail required.
- 5.2 SW reported that a bid was submitted to the PCC targeting a co-ordinated, combined media strategy linked to interventions across the year. However the PCC will only agree to support one media campaign per project which will not prove to be the most effective way of working.
- 5.3 SW said that the PCC have agreed in principle to support a bid of £22k to support the work being undertaken on River Safety. He said that the Police Commissioner is prepared to match fund and requested that Durham PCC also be involved to “piggy back” and possibly contribute to work being carried out. It is the intention that a River Safety Steering Group be set up, to include membership of partners at senior level, who would agree a media protocol, based on the Health and Well Being Protocol, and agree final recommendations on how the funding is to be spent. SW said that this Steering Group would not replace the valuable work currently being undertaken by the River Safety Working Group.

## 6. Community Safety Plan

- 6.1 JM reported that comments from TSL, PC and JS have now been incorporated into the Community Safety Plan. MR advised that changes to the Probation Service has resulted in two organisations having statutory responsibility on this Board ie the National Probation Service and the HLNy Community Rehabilitation Company. To date the Probation Trust no longer has a current web site and so this needs to be deleted as a link. SW requested that the Plan includes additional text referring to the impact on communities regarding the agreed priorities set out for York. Also smarter phraseology is required within the priorities to include: who is to lead, the timeframe and any resource requirement.

***Action:*** SW is to finalise the Community Safety Plan with JM to include smarter outcomes. The final draft is to be sent out electronically to Board members to approve. JM requested that all members respond to provide an audit trail.

## 7 OPCC working with SYP

- 7.1 SW informed members that the PCC have commissioned a consultant, through Planning Express, to carry out research around the Night time economy which is to include river safety. The consultant will make recommendations on the evidence received.
- 7.2 TSL said that scrutiny evidence on the Night time economy already lies with CYC and felt that the PCC should initially have discussed the intention to engage a consultant. JM said she had concerns that the intervention of a consultant would be seen as interfering with partnership working, which SYP has worked long and hard to develop over the years. These concerns were raised at the recent meeting with the PCC and there is now a realisation that there is a need for consolidation on both sides to have a collaborative approach. The OPCC is to arrange another River Safety Summit, early in September to be chaired by both Julia Mulligan and TSL. Durham PCC will be invited to attend.

***Agreed: to extend an offer for an observer from the OPCC to attend future Board meetings, on a non voting capacity, to provide updates pertinent to York and for this Board to offer assistance where applicable.***

- 7.3 SW advised that when North Yorkshire has set up its Shadow Board there will be occasions when York will need to work with other CSPs. Therefore an offer has been extended for the Chair of this Board to sit on the Shadow Board.

***Agreed: that the offer is to be reciprocated and a member of the North Yorkshire Shadow Board be invited to attend the Partnership Board.***

## 8. DAAT – End of Year Report

- 8.1 LB tabled the Substance Misuse data for successful completions of those opiates and non opiates in treatment. She advised that the key performance for funding is based on successful completions.
- 8.2 LB reported that completions have reduced with opiates largely due to a reduced number of people using opiates. Lifeline is now the new provider and they are treating mostly long term offenders. The data confirms that the successful completions are not meeting the national

average. SW requested that numbers were required to put these findings into context.

8.3 LB advised that they are meeting the national trend with non opiates and hope to put in place preventative measures using recovery capital. At present GPs are being paid expensive retainers for treating non opiates but with poor results. The National Strategy has requested that this cohort be looked at over a period of two years to determine what treatment provision is being given and how this may be improved.

8.4 LB reported that they have scoped out and are now underway with planning a cross authority needs assessment plan which will assist in developing an Alcohol Strategy for York. It is intended that the CCG be invited to contribute. The report will be fed both into AVANTE and the Health and Well Being Board. In addition the River Safety campaign is to be supported. The DAAT are to meet with the CCG to progress the Bed Ahead Scheme.

## 9. **Youth Justice Plan**

9.1 AC asked members to note that she is working with JM on both Objectives 1 and 3 of the draft Youth Justice Plan to ensure that these are being linked in across other relevant Plans.

## 10. **AOB**

10.1 There were no further items for discussion.

## 10. **Dates of Next Meeting for 2014:**

**9.30am on 6<sup>th</sup> October in the Green Room, West Offices**

**9.30am on 8<sup>th</sup> December in the Green Room at West Offices.**