



**Safer York /DAAT Partnership Board  
Minutes of the Meeting held at 9.30am on 13<sup>th</sup> October 2015  
The Thornton Room, West Offices**

**Present:** Steve Waddington (SW), AD Housing and Public Protection, CYC (Chair)  
Phil Cain (PC), Safer Neighbourhood Commander, NYP  
Dave Dryburgh (DD), Group Manager, NYFRS  
Martin Weblin (MW), Probation  
Jon Stonehouse (JS), Director of Children's Services, CYC  
Cllr Barbara Boyce (BB), Opposition Spokesperson for Community Safety, CYC  
Melanie McQueen (MM), CVS

**In attendance:** Jane Mowat (JM), Head of Community Safety, SYP  
Leigh Bell (LB), Substance Misuse Co-ordinator, DAAT  
Samantha Pariser (SP), Commissioning Manager for Substance Misuse, OPCC  
Sarah Graham (SG), Commissioning Manager for Community Safety, OPCC  
Adam Thomson (AT), Supt, NYP  
Liz Butcher (LB), Public Health England  
Sara Farrer (SF), Jobcentreplus  
Odette Robson (OR), Head of Safer Communities, NYCC  
Jo Beilby (JB), Domestic Violence Co-ordinator, NYP  
Tanya Lyon (TL), Crime Reduction Manager, SYP  
Pam Tinker (PT), Partnership Support Officer, SYP

**1. Apologies**

1.1 Apologies were received from Mike Ryan, Angela Crossland and Cllr David Carr.

**2. Minutes of the Last Meeting**

2.1 The minutes of 30<sup>th</sup> June 2015 were duly accepted as a true and accurate record.

### **3. Matters Arising**

- 3.1 JM confirmed that she had received the “Safeguarding element” from JS to enable the Community Safety Plan to be completed.
- 3.2 JM said that a piece of work is ongoing looking at the Joint Co-ordination Group and the work around DA data. A report is to feed through this Board.
- 3.3 JM reported that vulnerability cases for ASB and successes are now being built into the Performance Report.
- 3.4 SW advised that a letter had not been sent to the OPCC requesting a review of funding arrangements however these are to be discussed under Item 6.
- 3.5 PT confirmed that the Alcohol Strategy was circulated to members in July.

### **4. Domestic Violence Update**

- 4.1 JB reported that the funding for the Early Intervention Scheme is to end in December. An IDAS worker currently assigned to this project is co-located with NYP at Athena House. All DA cases are screened before referral and tend to be non typical. 202 referrals have resulted in 103 not requiring any further calls on the service. IDAS have adopted a triage system to deal with referrals. An additional 80 victims have been placed on safety plans. JB advised that funding was initially secured for two years. An exit strategy is in place whereby no more referrals will be made after September and a transition is to be made through the Outreach Service. It has now been agreed to continue the service until March as the shortfall for this period is now covered. Both JB and JM are looking to develop an action plan to mainstream the scheme and put it on a more stable footing. An update will be provided at a later meeting. SG said that they are looking at commissioning this service from April 2016. SW advised that evaluation of the Early Intervention Scheme and a costing analysis from IDAS would strengthen the position to secure PCC commissioning.
- 4.2 JB advised that the implementation of DVPNs has increased, as 46 have been issued since July. The admin procedures are onerous however it is hoped that in the long term this will assist in Court proceedings.

4.3 JB reported that the Perpetrator Pilot has been successful. Referrals were made through Social Care. Six men were admitted onto the scheme and of these five were victims of childhood domestic abuse. Four of the six men who completed the pilot have not committed any further DA. Further funding has been received to run a 15 week programme and is looking at referrals through Troubled Families. John Sullivan has written the model in conjunction with IDAS and Probation is to co-deliver the programme. They are looking at securing funding for the next programme. SW advised that they may wish to secure PCC commissioning by submitting a collective bid across the force area.

4.4 LB asked whether consideration had been given to making referrals to the Alternatives to Violence Programme (AVP). JB said that, at present, perpetrators of DA were not referred to AVP as it dealt primarily with anger management. SW advised that an evaluation of AVP would ensure the best use of resources.

## **5. SYP Performance Report**

5.1 JM reported an anticipated rise in crime however the rising crime levels are being monitored.

5.2 Operation Erase was re-convened in May and the membership revised to include representatives from York Racecourse and train operators. A hard hitting media approach was agreed and a number of Saturdays of action were held commencing 5<sup>th</sup> September. A meeting is planned to review Op Erase on 20<sup>th</sup> October. SW requested some evaluation takes place which would support seeking commissioning services for future campaigns. PC advised that evaluation is difficult as much of the problem is of around perception. The campaign would have to run over a period of two to three years in order to receive any valid evaluation from residents and visitors. JM said that the social marketing campaign planned with the OPCC will assist in re-freshing Op Erase.

5.3 TL advised that the funding is due to end for the Alcohol Diversion Programme and they seeking additional funding to continue to run this valuable programme. This programme is currently being offered to offenders of alcohol on trains (Op Erase). She has requested evaluation of the current cohort from Lifeline who are commissioned to deliver ADP.

5.4 JM reported that a multi-agency sub group had been convened to share information on new psychoactive substances. To date, there is

no intelligence to show that there are any problems in York and so the group decided that no further action was required.

- 5.5 JM advised that acquisitive crime has now been consolidated into a new Crime Reduction Group and is to meet quarterly.
- 5.6 JM reported that the ASB Hub Officers have now been given geographical responsibilities and are now linking in with the MASH team. The next phase of the University evaluation of the Hub is underway and is to include customer feedback.

## 6. OPCC Funding 2016-17

- 6.1 SG advised that there is a "Payment by Results" pot of £17,204 currently available and an extension has been given to December to allow projects to be submitted. SG is in the process of reviewing current spend. It is likely that there will be a similar level of funding for 2016-17 which will not be directly allocated to CSPs. They will be looking to commission projects, next year, which will provide good value. SP said that the OPCC will be carrying out a mapping exercise to identify overlaps to achieve efficiencies and therefore release funding for other projects. SG reported that the referral process will commence in October/November and advised that the Board provide input into the commissioning process. A letter of intention will be circulated on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016.

***Action: JM is to draft a letter to the OPCC on behalf of this Board making clear that there are different priorities across the force and to set out where, in their opinion, the funding strategy should be.***

- 6.2 PC requested whether the commissioning process would allow flexibility for very local short term issues. SG said that the process is to include a separate pot of funding for such a purpose, similar to the current reactive pot.

## 7. SLA for Provision of MARAC/IDVA/ISVA Services

- 7.1 JM said that the SLA was submitted from the Task and Finish Group through the JCG and requires signing off. Both CYC and NYCC have agreed to commit funding. SG explained that in order to make this into a longer term rolling agreement which would provide more security for the service she proposed to produce a new version to reflect this.

***Action: PT is to send out the amended version of the SLA with the minutes for feedback.***

## **8. Feedback from OPCC Domestic Abuse Conference**

- 8.1 JM reported that she attended with OR and JS the Domestic Abuse Conference on 1<sup>st</sup> October where she undertook a workshop. The conference was run on the back of reviving the JCG, The Domestic Abuse Strategy is now out of date. A report is to be submitted to the CSP at NYCC on improving structures around DA and on completion will be presented to this Board for feedback in the new year. JS advised that this report needs also to be submitted to both Safeguarding Boards for approval.
- 8.3 JS informed members that some local authorities are piloting Operation Encompass whereby schools are to be informed if a child is present at a DA incident to allow the school to respond appropriately and assist with coping mechanisms for the child. York may wish to seek resources to adopt this form of protection.

## **9. York Rescue Boat Nightsafe Radio Request**

- 9.1 SW explained that this has been brought back to this Board as a result of the MP for York Central requesting the York Rescue Boat have access to a Nightsafe radio. This request was initially rejected as the Apex radio system is used for shared intelligence between retailers, pubwatch and Street Angels. SW advised that they are to meet with the MP and Dave Benson on 4<sup>th</sup> November and therefore this Board needs to re-affirm its position.
- 9.2 PC said he has already met with Dave Benson and has clearly stated that he cannot support giving him an Apex radio as this would compromise the 999 system. He advised that they may wish to adopt a sole “ship to shore” radio system.
- 9.3 DD said he agreed with PC in that the statutory services need to be the first port of call to avoid chaos. A memorandum of understanding has been agreed with Dave Benson, who will confirm to the Control Room when and where they are on duty. DD summarised that he, too, could not see the benefits for the added service of the radio.

***Agreed: that the use of the Apex radio was not appropriate as it would compromise the 999 service. Members denied the request and their position is to be re-affirmed at the next meeting with the MP.***

**10. AOB**

- 10.1 SW advised, that due to the nature of changes in crime, SYP are to re-focus on new priorities which will align with other services and changing funding arrangements. He said it is his intention to convene a small group with PC and JM to identify the new priorities. These changes will be reflected in the new Community Safety Plan and will provide other links with DV, CSE and both Safeguarding Boards. JS requested he be included in this discussion.

**Action: To be included as an agenda item at the next meeting.**

- 10.2 SF said that she wished to continue receiving the papers however did not have the capacity to attend regularly and requested that she attend on a selective basis when appropriate.
- 10.3 MM advised that this would be her last meeting and her successor for the CVS would be Catherine Surtees.

**Next Meeting Date for 2015:**

**9.30am on 14<sup>th</sup> December – Green Room, West Offices**