

Safer Communities Partnership Board

Minutes of meeting held on 12 April 2019
Hendon Town Hall, The Burroughs, London NW4 4BQ

Minutes

Board Members Present:

Cllr David Longstaff (Chairman)	London Borough of Barnet
Matt Leng	Community Safety Team, LBB
Sepia Golding	Community Safety Team, LBB
Steve Leader	London Fire Brigade
Inspector Adrian Needley	Metropolitan Police, Barnet
Laura Featley	Department for Work and Pensions
Clare Ansdell	National Probation Service
Dr Tamara Djuretic	Director of Public Health, LBB
Stuart Coleman	Barnet Homes
Tina McElligott	Family Services

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

The Chairman of the Safer Communities Partnership Board, Councillor David Longstaff welcomed all attendees and opened the meeting. Board Members and Officers in attendance introduced themselves and their respective organisations.

2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 25th January 2019 be approved as a correct record.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Superintendent Sara Leach, Kiran Vagarwal, Peter Clifton, Jamie Blake, Simon Rose, Roger Kemp and Tim Harris.

4. MATTERS ARISING

There were none.

5. UPDATE ON BARNET HOMES ROLE AND ACTIVITY IN CONNECTION WITH THE DELIVERY OF THE BARNET COMMUNITY SAFETY STRATEGY

The Chairman introduced the item and invited Mr Stuart Coleman (Barnet Homes) who delivered a presentation for Board Members. Mr Coleman spoke about the key challenges and workstreams delivered by Barnet Homes in connection with Community Safety and ASB.

The Board heard about the development and re-design of the case management system to tackle ASB cases as effectively as possible. Mr Coleman spoke about the importance of regular contact and partnership working to manage ASB cases well.

Board Members noted the challenges around intervention work with rough sleepers and asked about the work taken place to improve engagement. Following allocation of funding, it was noted that more intervention work has been carried out. As a result, six rough sleepers have been supported into long term accommodation and nine have been supported into short term accommodation.

Following a comment from the Board about the importance of Prevent training, it was noted that WRAP workshops and training have been held and rolled out to all front-line staff.

The Chairman thanked Mr Coleman and the Board for the informative presentation and discussion. The Board noted the importance of continued effective partnership working, particularly towards delivering cross cutting projects.

6. UPDATE FROM THE REDUCING OFFENDING PARTNERSHIP DELIVERY GROUP ON THE INTEGRATED OFFENDER MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME

The Chairman invited Mr Richard Norfolk, Reducing Reoffending Partnership Manager to join the meeting and present this item.

Mr Norfolk briefed the Board about the Integrated Offender Management (IOM) refresh project and noted the six key objectives as set out within the report.

Following a comment from the Board about training, Mr Norfolk spoke about the development of the Barnet IPM Community Payback Pilot aimed at improving Education, Training and Employment outcomes. The Board noted that so far five individuals have completed employment relates training course as part of the Community Payback ETE Pilot.

The Board welcomed the presentation and highlighted the importance of:

- further engagement work with partners around the IOM criminal justice system
- additional KPI targets around IOM which can inform the Community Safety Performance dashboard

7. FAMILY SERVICES

The Operations Director, Family Services Ms Tina McElligott presented an update to the Board on the Barnet Troubled Families Programme. The Board noted that currently 3,990 families are attached to the Programme.

In response to a query from the Board about funding, it was noted that funding has been used to provide various services as part of the Troubled Families Programme. In addition, reserve funding could potentially be used to deliver services for a period of one year – however funding options need to be considered beyond this period.

The Board noted the data on Re-offending, Ms McElligott highlighted that although the repeat offending cohort is small, it has impacted on the frequency of the Re-offending data.

Ms McElligott noted that the Home Secretary announced plans for schools and other public agencies to have a 'statutory duty' to tackle gangs and serious youth violence, with £200m funding pledged.

The Board noted that the preventative programmes, Growing Against Violence and Art Against Knives, have been positively received and that the programmes are being rolled out to schools.

The Chairman thanked Officers and the Board for the informative presentation and discussion.

8. PERFORMANCE UPDATE

The Chairman welcomed Sepia Golding, Senior Partnership Performance Analyst to present the Performance Dashboard to the Board.

Ms Golding provided an overview of the dashboard and summarised the statistics. It was noted that there was a 4% reduction in Burglary for the recent Quarter in comparison to the previous year's Quarter but a 4% overall increase in comparison to last year.

Following a query about the 52% increase in Burglary for the recent Quarter, it was noted that there had been a large increase since end of year Christmas period and that East Finchley had been a particular hotspot. A Police taskforce has been commissioned in order to intervene and tackle this issue.

Officers noted the decrease in ASB over the past 12 months and informed the Board that increased partnership working with Barnet Homes and Police have helped to reduce and effectively respond to repeat calls.

The Chairman thanked the Board for the discussion.

9. PROPOSED ITEMS FOR NEXT SCPB: JULY 2019

The Board noted the Forward Work Programme and the business items listed for the 26th July 2019 meeting.

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None.

The meeting finished at 12.00 noon