

MEETING

SAFER COMMUNITIES PARTNERSHIP BOARD

DATE AND TIME

FRIDAY 27TH JULY, 2018

AT 10.00 AM

VENUE

HENDON TOWN HALL, THE BURROUGHS, LONDON NW4 4BQ

TO: MEMBERS OF SAFER COMMUNITIES PARTNERSHIP BOARD (Quorum 3)

Chairman: Councillor David Longstaff

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Decisions of the Safer Communities Partnership Board

27 April 2018

AGENDA ITEM 2

Members Present: -

Councillor David Longstaff (Chairman)

Simon Rose	Metropolitan Police
Steve Leader	London Fire Brigade
Clare Ansdell	National Probation Service
Amlan Kumar Ghoshal	London Safer Neighbourhoods Board
Tina McElligot	LB Barnet
Kiran Vagarwal	LB Barnet
Peter Clifton	LB Barnet
Julie Pal	CommUNITY Barnet
Stuart Coleman	Barnet Homes
Mr Sam Rosengard	LB Barnet
Ms Karolina Bober	Victim Support
Rosie Lewis	Victim Support
Tim Harris	North West London Magistrates Court
Tracy Scollin	Governance Officer

Apologies for Absence

Jamie Blake	LB Barnet
Laura Featley	Dept for Work and Pensions
Matt Leng	LB Barnet
Jamie Keddy	MOPAC

1 WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

The Chairman welcomed all.

2 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes were approved as an accurate record.

3 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Jamie Blake, Laura Featley, Matt Leng and Jamie Keddy.

4 MATTERS ARISING

There were none.

5 COMMUNITY UPDATE

Ms Pal updated the Board on activities undertaken by Barnet's voluntary and community sector around community safety in Barnet. A written report was received.

Barnet Borough Watch update

- Barnet Borough Watch had introduced OWL, which had increased the number of neighbourhood watches created across the borough – a total of 2146.
- 28 out of the 32 London Boroughs were now members of London Community Watch, of which Barnet Borough Watch had been one of the founding members.

Barnet Mencap – Hate Crime Awareness Project update

A written report was received. Hate crime reporting figures in relation to disability were particularly low, as well as for the LGBT and Gypsy Roma population.

Barnet Mencap had been commissioned by the SCPB to deliver the ‘Zero Tolerance to Hate Crime’ project funded by MOPAC. The project aimed to increase awareness of how to report hate crime in Barnet, improve people’s confidence to report hate crime and improve support for victims. Since a Hate Crime Awareness Coordinator post had been set up there had been an increase in hate crime reporting.

Ms Vagarwal noted that the team was working to try to encourage voluntary and community sector engagement to make sure the campaign against hate crime was delivering via the community. The organisations involved were well placed to take the lead via their community centres and it was hoped that this would develop further over the next 12 months. It was a challenging job and a good network was needed to support these organisations. Outcomes would be reported back to the SCPB.

A collaborative bid for Tampon Tax funding had been submitted by CommUNITY Barnet, together with 17 Barnet-based organisations, to enable the VAWG Forum to build on its excellent work and address the gaps in services. The outcome of the bid was awaited.

6 BARNET PREVENT UPDATE

Mr Sam Rosengard updated the Board. A written report was received.

The next Barnet Prevent Strategy was available online.

WRAP (Workshop to Raise Awareness of Prevent) training was offered monthly across the Barnet Partnership; so far 358 local authority staff had been trained since 1.11.17. Significant progress had been made in delivering training within Family Services and Adults and Communities; during the next quarter there would be a focus on training other staff who engage with the community.

‘Channel’ was a voluntary programme which had been set up to provide support and early intervention to safeguard children and adults identified as being at risk of being drawn into extremism or terrorism.

All relevant local authority Delivery Units had been asked to provide WRAP training plans by 11th May 2018. This included: Barnet Homes and other social landlords; Re; Corporate Anti-Fraud Team and the Partnership. Barnet Community Safety team could offer support from their staff who had been trained to deliver WRAP.

Ms Vagarwal noted that the multi-agency group to deliver Prevent needed to be confirmed. Some national Prevent Leads had also been appointed.

Ms Ansdell asked whether links had been established with the National Probation Service (NPS). Mr Rosengard stated that he had been in contact with the Extremism Unit at the NPS; training probation service staff should be a possibility.

Ms Vagarwal noted that Barnet Homes and multiple housing associations, particularly those with the largest housing stock, would be trained. Mr Coleman added that Barnet Homes was keen for its neighbourhood/frontline officers to get engaged with Prevent. Some links had already been established.

An action was agreed to update the SCPB in the near future on how Prevent was delivering across the Partnership.

Action: Mr Rosengard

7 VICTIM SUPPORT UPDATE

Ms Karolina Bober, Senior Service Delivery Manager, Victim Support, gave a verbal and written update on the Barnet Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) Project.

In Q3 and Q4 the focus had been on building the newly-appointed ASB Caseworker's network with partners including police, probation services and other teams to develop wrap-around support to service users.

The Project had provided emotional and practical support for 26 service users at Community Safety MARAC.

The level of mediation referrals had been very low with a total of 8 referrals in 2017/18. The expectation was for around 20-30 referrals. Housing teams identifying issues usually allowed good time for mediation – Ms Bober would speak to Barnet Homes.

A high number of referrals in 20-17/18 had been from the Met Police and the Barnet ASB Team. Victim Support hoped to increase the number of self-referrals by increased promotional activities.

Mental health support (NHS) response was good in Barnet. Victim Support was keen to refer more to MARAC and to build partnerships with them.

Data on needs of service users indicated that criminal damage hate crime and harassment were still most prevalent and efforts were being made to set up a Community Safety MARAC. There were a number of repeat, high-risk victims amongst service users.

Mr Rose noted that the domestic abuse MARAC was distinct from the Community Safety one and the full terminology should be used.

Mr Peter Clifton added that feedback showed that the Community Safety MARAC made a difference to the residents of Barnet. The focus should be on raising the profile of mediation so that Community Safety MARAC partners were aware and could make early referrals to it.

8 YOUTH JUSTICE ISSUES

Ms McElligot reported that there had been a positive visit from Ofsted recently and a report was due from them, on missing children in the borough, on 21 May.

There was good partnership working around trying to keep children safe – information was available on the Barnet Safeguarding Children Partnership website including the re-written Vulnerable Adolescent Strategy.

9 PERFORMANCE UPDATE

Mr Peter Clifton updated the Board:

- Barnet had moved to the having the lowest rates of violent crime with injury per population over the last 12 months.
- There had been 47 incidents of knife injury over the past 12 months; a slight decrease from the previous year. There had been one gun discharge incident in that time compared to 9 in the previous year.
- Domestic violence – the number of incidents had decreased from 32% to 23%. This had been the first reduction in 7 years. There had also been a decrease in repeat victimisation.

Action: Governance Officer to circulate the data.

The Chairman enquired about outcomes in relation to SmartWater. Mr Rose noted that there had been a reduction in crime since its introduction; it had been rolled out across London. A small allocation had been made in the highest risk areas of Barnet along with crime prevention advice; SmartWater also had the effect of altering residents' behaviour and increasing awareness. The pattern of burglary was fairly high at present and Barnet was the fourth highest in volume of burglary out of all London Boroughs. There had been a huge increase in the burglary incidents across London over the past year.

In relation to knife crime Barnet was performing significantly better than elsewhere. A plan was in place involving training police officers to use 'stop and search' with body-worn video, particularly at high risk times.

Ms Clare Ansdell asked about County Lines and safeguarding concerns in Barnet. Mr Rose noted that Barnet was not as affected as some areas but some incidents were being reported. Ms Ansdell noted that the British Transport Police (BTP) had given a helpful presentation to the NPS which had included details of victims travelling through Barnet to get to other counties. Ms Vagarwal would discuss this outside the meeting with Ms Ansdell.

Action: Ms Vagarwal, Ms Ansdell

10 PROPOSED ITEMS FOR NEXT SCPB

The items were agreed.

Ms Vagarwal would write to MOPAC to ask why there had not been a representative for a few meetings.

Action: Ms Vagarwal

11 **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

As the local elections were due in a week's time the Chairman expressed his thanks to Ms Vagarwal, Mr Clifton and their team and all representatives on the committee, for their hard work over the past four years.

Ms Vagarwal thanked the Chairman who had chaired every meeting and given excellent leadership and direction to the committee for four years.

12 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Friday 27 July, 10:00 hrs.

The meeting finished at 11.20 am

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AGENDA ITEM 5

ITEM [5]			
Report Name:	Community Safety Strategy 2018/19 update Annual refresh of the Barnet Safer Community Partnership's Community Safety Strategy		
Meeting:	Barnet Safer Communities Partnership Board (SCPB)		
Meeting Date:	27/07/2018		
Enclosures:	Appendix 1 – Safer Communities Governance Chart Appendix 2 – Background papers		
Report of:	Barnet Community Safety Team		
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Executive Summary

The Barnet Safer Communities Partnership Board (BSCPb) is a statutory partnership set up under Section 5-7 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998. The board includes senior officers from the Council, MPS, Fire Brigade, Public Health, Victim Support, CommUnity Barnet, Middlesex University, National Probation Service (NPS), Community Rehabilitation Company (CRC) and Barnet Safer Neighbourhood Board.

BSCPb partners are required to work together to protect their communities from crime, anti-social behaviour and substance misuse. The duty includes producing a local borough Community Safety Strategy setting out how the partnership will respond to local issues and conducting an annual strategic crime needs assessment that measures impact, trends and supports the annual review of the local strategy.

Since the drafting of the strategy in 2015 there have been a number of strategic, policy and operational changes that have taken place which the strategy now needs to reflect. This includes a greater emphasis on the Safeguarding of vulnerable adults and children, and to ensure the strategy considers the findings and recommendations of the Barnet OFSTED inspection.

This report sets out the key changes/additions required to the strategy in order to ensure the strategic approach meets the future emerging trends of crime and ASB in Barnet and the future strategic and operational landscape. These proposed changes to the Community Safety Strategy have been shared with the Community Leadership and Libraries Committee (CLLC) on 12th June 2018. The CLLC endorsed the council's support and commitment to the proposed strategic priorities. This report asks the BSCPb, in its role as holding the overall statutory governance of the partnership strategy¹, to provide comments and feedback on the proposed changes to the strategy.

Officers Recommendations

1. That the BSCPb to note and provide comments on the contents of this report.
2. That the BSCPb confirm their support of the revised priority objectives and outcomes for the Community Safety Strategy as set out in this report.

¹ The Community Safety Strategy

The local and national landscape

Since the development of the 2015-2020 Community Safety Strategy there have been a number of local, regional and national strategic, policy and operational changes relating to how we respond to crime and disorder. Therefore, it is necessary for BSCPb to review the current strategy and ensure it is in line with these changes.

National changes

Examples of national changes include:

- Serious and Organised Crime Strategy (Home Office March - 2015)
- Modern Crime Prevention Strategy (Home Office - March 2016)
- Violence Against Women and Girls Strategy (Home Office – October 2016)
- Serious Violence Strategy (Home Office – April 2018)
- New Drug Strategy to Safeguard vulnerable and stop substance misuse (Home Office- July 2017)
- Drug Strategy (Home Office - July 2017)
- Counter-Extremism Strategy (Home Office - October 2015)
- Hate Crime Action Plan (Home Office – October 2016)
- The Mayor's Police and Crime Plan (2017-2021) which sets out the London Mayor's priorities for the safety of London.

Local changes

Locally the changes include:

- Safeguarding of Children and young people involved with or impacted by crime and anti-social behaviour
 - Following the Barnet OFSTED inspection, BSCPb has reviewed the strategic objectives set out within Barnet's current Community Safety Strategy and have agreed to an additional objective focussing on violence, vulnerability and criminal exploitation.
 - The partnership will also continue to have a greater focus on the safeguarding of vulnerable adults and children across the outcomes set out in the strategy, supported by the collection of specific data and information that will be shared with the

Safeguarding Adult Board and the Safeguarding Children Partnership.

- Environmental Crime
 - The increase in unlawful encampments and environmental crime such as fly-tipping also indicate that moving forward there needs to be an increased partnership focus on preventing environmental crime, focussing on the areas where there is persistent enviro-crime and ASB, and working with partners to deliver localised interventions that balance prevention and enforcement.
- Enforcement
 - Following the introduction of the council's Corporate Enforcement Policy in 2016 there has been an increased effort to deter individuals from committing environmental crime in order to improve the local environment and reduce unnecessary service demands and costs across the partnership from having to respond to repeat incidents.
 - The partnership needs to utilise all available tools and powers to prevent and deter offending and repeat offending of crime and ASB, including domestic violence. Reducing offending will result in reduced incidents of crime and a reduction in the victims subjected to crime.
 - The use and impact of enforcement will be monitored by the partnership.
- Continued focus responding to violence against women and girls
 - The new *Barnet Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG) Strategy* launched in 2018 and better represents the council's focus to deliver the right services at the right time to victims of domestic abuse, and to ensure a greater focus on safeguarding vulnerable adults and children who are in households where there is domestic abuse.
 - In the new strategy, there is also a greater focus on the way in which the partners respond to perpetrators (i.e. as well as considering the criminal route, considering interventions that encourage behaviour change or utilising broader tools and powers that prevent repeat offending).

- Currently there are two live domestic homicide reviews taking place which, when completed, will provide further learning and recommendations to the partnership in the way we respond to domestic violence.
- Closer working with the councils Regulatory Services delivered by Re and Barnet Homes
 - To sustain the good partnership working with Re and Barnet Homes with the wider Safer Communities Partnership – the Director of Regulatory Services of Re and the Head of Housing Management at Barnet Homes are now statutory Barnet Safer Communities Partnership board members.
- Increased focus on the role of public health within the Safer Communities Partnership
 - Mental health and substance misuse continues to be a cross cutting issue that affects victims, offenders, children and young people. It adds to the vulnerability of the individuals who are victims of crime and can hinder the ability of offenders to change their behaviours (it can also add to their vulnerability).
 - With Public Health now being a part of the council there are positive opportunities to strengthen the joint working and achieving some positive outcomes.
 - Barnet Community Safety Team will work closely with Barnet Public Health to develop the joint working to ensure areas such as substance misuse and mental health are responded to across the partnership.
- Police Borough Command Unit (BCU) merger with Barnet, Harrow and Brent
 - The BCU merger brings along with it some challenges but also some opportunities for the local partnership to work differently and where required for us to improve our joint working.²

² A report providing details in relation to the police BCU merger can be found at: <https://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s46643/Update%20on%20the%20Metropolitan%20Police%20Merger%20Barnet%20Brent%20Harrow%20and%20local%20partnership%20working.pdf>

- Reducing offending
 - Organisational changes in the National Probation Service, the introduction of the Community Rehabilitation Company (CRC) to manage non-statutory offenders, changes in the way offenders are managed have impacted on performance and local partnership working. The impact of this has also been felt in Barnet.
 - In March 2018, the HMIC published the results³ of a 2017 pan London inspection of the CRC (which itself followed from a HMIC inspection of the CRC in North London in 2016)
 - The 2017 pan London inspection of CRC found that there had been some considerable improvements since the 2016 inspection, however further progress and improvement was still required across many areas of the work (see table below).

Theme	Finding
Protecting the public	The inspectors found the quality of public protection work was variable and not of an acceptable standard overall. Inspectors also noted that the evidence suggested the CRC was not treating child safeguarding work as a priority.
Reducing re-offending	Inspectors found the quality of work was not acceptable. Findings showed that the quality work was close to the national average for those CRC's that were inspected. Although that level of performance is not in itself acceptable.
Abiding by the sentence of the court	The quality here was acceptable overall – with the exception of poor supervision of unpaid work orders – and most individuals abided by the conditions of their sentence. Dame Glenys added 'Critical relationships with local strategic partners suffered under the CRC's previous operating model, but CRC leaders are taking the opportunity now to re-energise these essential networks.'

- In the report, Dame Glenys Stacey (HM Chief Inspector of Probation) commented that "*[the CRC] was now turning its attention to two other key tenets of good probation services: local strategic partnerships, and the range of specialist services (interventions) required to make a real difference to people's*

³ www.justiceinspectorates.gov.uk/hmiprobation

lives and prospects” reflecting that: “Critical relationships with local strategic partners suffered under the CRC’s previous operating model, but CRC leaders are taking the opportunity now to re-energise these essential networks.”

- The Barnet Community Safety Team are working closely with partners especially the MPS, NPS and CRC to ensure locally we have effective partnership working in place to manage offenders, especially those who re-offend.

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Existing strategic priorities

Barnet's 2015-2020 Community Safety Strategy has three overarching objectives, and seven priority outcomes which support the delivery of the three overarching objectives. The current objectives and outcomes are set out below.

Overarching objectives:

- To provide a victim centred approach to victims of crime and anti-social behaviour.
- To maintain reductions in crime and anti-social behaviour.
- To improve the perception of Barnet as a safe place to live, work and visit.

Priority outcomes:

1. Residents and businesses feel confident that the police and council respond to crime and ASB in their area.
2. Residents and businesses are engaged and informed about community safety and the action we have taken in their area.
3. Victims of Domestic Violence and Hate Crime are confident in reporting incidents and the Partnership intervenes to prevent repeat victimisation.
4. The Partnership will work to reduce Serious Youth Violence with a focus on young people as victims and offenders.
5. Sustained reductions in re-offending.
6. Sustained reductions in Burglary and other high-volume crime types, such as: Violence with Injury, Robbery, Theft of Motor Vehicle, Theft from Motor Vehicle, Theft from Person, Criminal Damage
7. Effective and wide-ranging partnerships are in place between the local authority, statutory and non-statutory partners, community groups and faith institutions, to help mitigate risks from terrorism and extremism and to support the boroughs diverse communities.

Proposed revisions to the priorities

The proposed amendments and additions to the Barnet's 2015-2020 Community Safety Strategy's overarching objectives, and priority outcomes are set out in the table below.

Type of change	Details
Addition of a fourth overarching objective	<p>Proposed fourth overarching objective: <i>The Safer Community partnership ensures the safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults affected by crime, anti-social behaviour and substance misuse.</i></p>
Amendment to priority outcome 3	<p>Existing text: <i>Victims of Domestic Violence and Hate Crime are confident in reporting incidents and the Partnership intervenes to prevent repeat victimisation.</i></p> <p>Proposed revised text: <i>The Safer Communities Partnership prevents violence against women and girls, improves outcomes for victims and their children and holds perpetrators to account.</i></p>
Amendment to priority outcome 4	<p>Existing text <i>The Partnership will work to reduce Serious Youth Violence with a focus on young people as victims and offenders.</i></p> <p>Proposed revised text: <i>The Safer Communities Partnership provides a co-ordinated multiagency response to violence, vulnerability and the criminal exploitation of children and vulnerable adults.</i></p>
Amendment to priority outcome 5	<p>Existing text <i>Sustained reductions in re-offending.</i></p> <p>Proposed revised text: <i>Sustained reductions in offending and re-offending.</i></p>

<p>Amendment to priority outcome 6</p>	<p>Existing text <i>Sustained reductions in Burglary and other high-volume crime types, such as: Violence with Injury, Robbery, Theft of Motor Vehicle, Theft from Motor Vehicle, Theft from Person, Criminal Damage.</i></p> <p>Proposed revised text: <i>Sustained reductions in high-volume crime types (for Barnet this will be Burglary).</i></p>
<p>Amendment to priority outcome 7</p>	<p>Existing text <i>Effective and wide-ranging partnerships are in place between the local authority, statutory and non-statutory partners, community groups and faith institutions, to help mitigate risks from terrorism and extremism and to support the boroughs diverse communities.</i></p> <p>Proposed revised text: <i>The Safer Communities partnership supports the boroughs diverse communities by ensuring there are effective and wide-ranging partnerships in place between the local authority, statutory and non-statutory partners, community groups and faith institutions that help mitigate risks from terrorism, extremism and hate crime.</i></p>

Proposed revised priorities

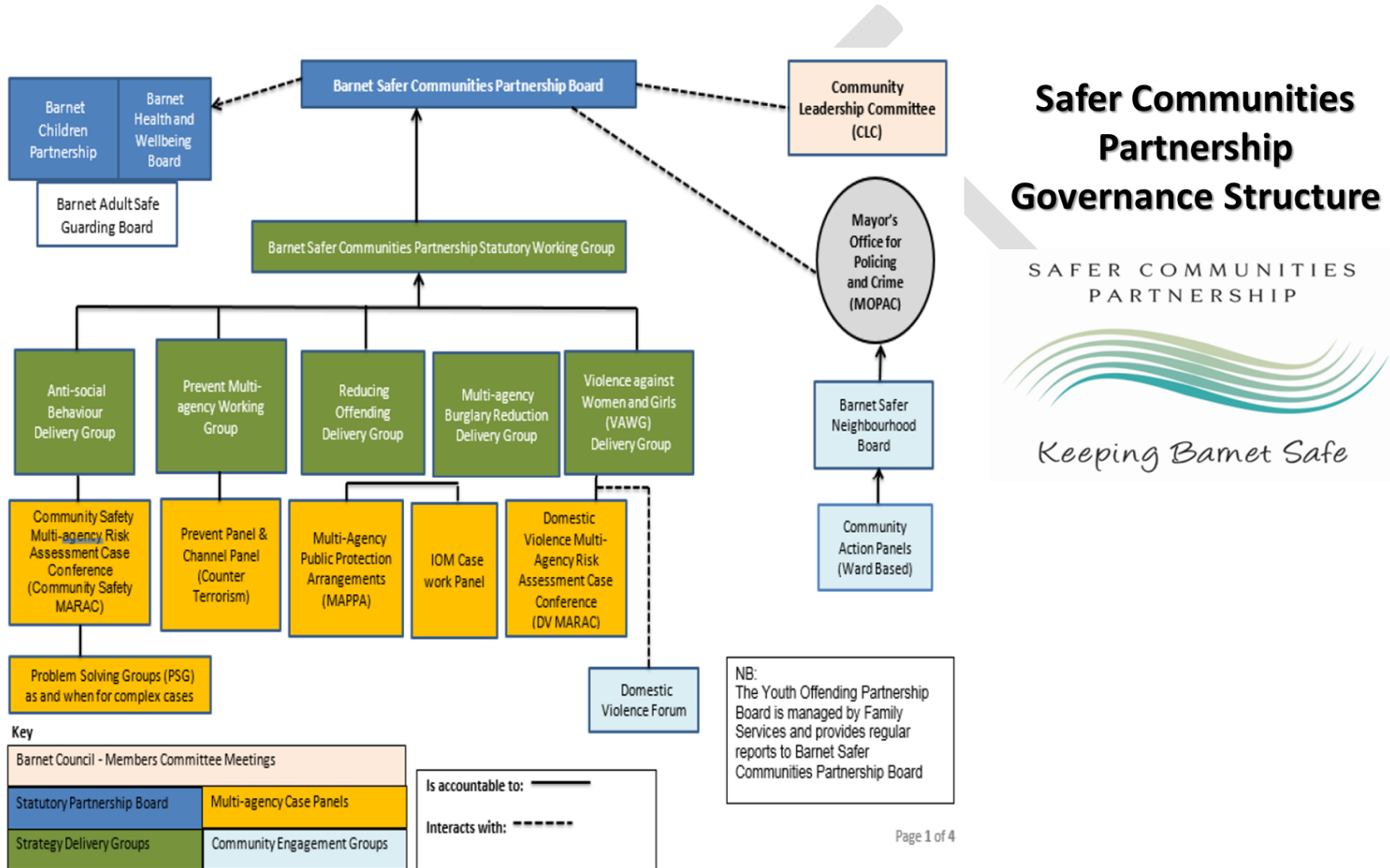
Overarching objectives:

- To provide a victim centred approach to victims of crime and anti-social behaviour.
- To maintain reductions in crime and anti-social behaviour.
- To improve the perception of Barnet as a safe place to live, work and visit.
- The Safer Community partnership ensures the safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults affected by crime, anti-social behaviour and substance misuse.

Priority outcomes:

1. Residents and businesses feel confident that the police and council respond to crime and ASB in their area.
2. Residents and businesses are engaged and informed about community safety and the action we have taken in their area.
3. The Safer Communities Partnership prevents violence against women and girls, improves outcomes for victims and their children and holds perpetrators to account.
4. The Safer Communities Partnership provides a co-ordinated multiagency response to violence, vulnerability and the criminal exploitation of children and vulnerable adults.
5. Sustained reductions in offending and re-offending.
6. Sustained reductions in high-volume crime types (for Barnet this will be Burglary).
7. The Safer Communities partnership supports the boroughs diverse communities by ensuring there are effective and wide-ranging partnerships in place between the local authority, statutory and non-statutory partners, community groups and faith institutions that help mitigate risks from terrorism, extremism and hate crime.

Appendix 1 – Safer Communities Partnership Governance Structure



Appendix 2 – Background papers

Community Leadership Committee 21st June 2017

Agenda item 7 “*London borough of Barnet Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG) Strategy 2017-2020*”

<https://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s40298/london%20borough%20of%20barnet%20violence%20against%20women%20and%20girls%20strategy%202017-2020.pdf>

Community Leadership Committee 6th September 2017

Agenda Item 10 “*Community Safety Strategy - Annual Review and Refresh / Crime and Disorder Scrutiny*”

<https://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s41920/Update%20on%20the%20annual%20strategic%20crime%20needs%20Assessment.pdf>

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Progress in Delivery of the Barnet Prevent Multi-Agency Action Plan

27 July 2018

Safer Communities Partnership Board

Barnet Community Safety Team

AGENDA ITEM 7

Barnet Prevent Strategy

The Barnet Prevent Strategy was launched in September 2018.

Our key objective is to:

“keep the people of Barnet safe by accurately identifying people vulnerable to being drawn into terrorism and/or violent extremism and to safeguarding children and adults by providing early intervention to protect and divert people away from being drawn into terrorist activity”

Barnet Prevent Action Plan

Key Action 1

Partnerships: We will ensure that a multi-agency response to Prevent will be in place, supported by an evidence base and co-ordinated through The Safer Communities Partnership Board.

- ❑ Barnet Prevent Delivery Group overseeing strategic delivery with positive engagement with internal and external partners.
- ❑ Barnet Channel Panel Chaired by Community Safety Manager with representation from all core partners. Meetings are held monthly.

Barnet Prevent Action Plan

Key Action 2

Risk Assessment: the regional Counter Terrorism Profile (CTLP) will be communicated to key stakeholders and used to inform the local action plans in order to effectively reduce the risk of individuals being drawn into terrorism or violent extremism in Barnet.

- Senior Leaders have been briefed on the CTLP within the local authority as have the local partner agencies through the Prevent Delivery Group.
- Key recommendations and issues identified in the CTLP are directly addressed in the Barnet Multi-Agency Action Plan.

Barnet Prevent Action Plan

Key Action 3

The Action Plan will be owned and delivered through the partnership to reduce the risk(s) identified in Barnet.

- ❑ The Action Plan is monitored by the Barnet Strategic Commissioning Board and Safer Communities Partnership Board.
- ❑ Senior leaders are aware of key actions relevant to their span of control.
- ❑ The action plan is reviewed quarterly and bi-monthly briefings on progress are sent to the Barnet CEO.

Barnet Prevent Action Plan

Key Action 4

Barnet will have a fully trained work force who can recognise Prevent issues or concerns, support successful collaborative partnership working, identify the early signs of radicalisation taking positive action to manage those potentially at risk.

- Training is being delivered to local authority staff and staff operating across the Barnet partnership
- Family Services
- Adults & Communities
- Corporate Anti-Fraud Team

Barnet Prevent Action Plan

Key Action 4 (cont'd)

- ❑ Training plans received from Regional Enterprise and Barnet Homes – training to be delivered to all frontline staff who have contact with the public by end of December 2018.
- ❑ National Probation Service and London Community Rehabilitation Company (CRC) – training delivered to Probation Officers and Managers in Barnet in June 2018.
- ❑ Training delivered to Barnet Mencap staff in July 2018.
- ❑ Prevent Education Officer offering training to all Barnet schools.

Barnet Prevent Action Plan

Key Action 5

We will ensure venues owned by Barnet Council are not providing a platform for extremist's views.

- Local procedures are being audited to ensure that systems are in place to risk assess proposed bookings of council owned venues to ensure they are not used for the purpose of promoting extremism.
- Annual schools safeguarding audits.

Barnet Prevent Action Plan

Key Action 6

Ensure that the Prevent duty is integrated into existing safeguarding strategies, policies and procedures.

- Review of safeguarding procedures completed in January 2017.
- Local guidance documents and process maps developed by the Prevent Coordinator have been adopted by Children and young People's Service and Adults and Communities.

Questions?

Email: BarnetCST@barnet.gov.uk