



Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership

Agenda

Date: 11 March 2008

MEETING: **CRIME AND DISORDER REDUCTION PARTNERSHIP**

DATE: **TUESDAY, 18 MARCH 2008**

TIME: **3.00 pm**

VENUE: **PARKLANDS, GLOUCESTER PARK**

MEMBERSHIP:

Councillor Tony Ball	-	Basildon Council
Frances Barbour	-	St Georges Community Housing
Jackie Brown	-	Interlock!
Clare Burrell	-	ECC TASCC
Sue Chorley	-	Victim Support
Bridget Cooper	-	Family Mosaic Housing
Angie Coxon	-	Essex Police
John Entwistle	-	Basildon Council
Dawn French	-	Basildon Council
Jane Gooday	-	Basildon Community Drug and Alcohol Service
Lisa Hamilton	-	Basildon Council
Jo Hammond	-	Connexions
David Howard	-	Essex Police
Cliff Hughes	-	Family Mosaic Housing
Jerry Jones	-	GO East
Nicola MacBride	-	Swan Housing Association
Bala Mahendran	-	Basildon Council (Chair)
Paula Mason	-	Basildon Council
Simon Myles	-	Basildon and Thurrock University Hospitals
Arun Patel	-	South West Essex PCT
Lucy Payne	-	Basildon Council
Owen Richards	-	South West Essex PCT
Lesley O'Shea	-	St Georges Community Housing
Cty Cllr John Schofield	-	Essex Police Authority
Mandie Skeat	-	St Georges Community Housing
Ian Smart	-	British Transport Police
Alison Spalding	-	South Essex YOT
Lynne Taylor	-	South West Essex PCT
SallyAnne Thallon	-	Essex County Council
Martin Trevillion	-	Essex Fire Service
Paul Turner	-	Swan Housing (Essex)
Ken Venables	-	Basildon Council
Nikki Ward	-	Basildon Council
Mark Wheeler	-	Essex Police
Lou Williams	-	ECC Schools, Children and Families Service
Ray Williams	-	Essex Police
Peter Woollard	-	Essex Probation Service

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

2. MINUTES:

To confirm the Minutes of the meeting held on 19 February 2008, attached at Enclosure No. 1.

3. ACTION SHEET:

To discuss any matters arising from the Action Sheet of 19 February 2008, attached at Enclosure No. 2.

4. PRESENTATION BY ALAN ROACH/BOB RYMARZ REGARDING THE CHALVEDON ACADEMY

To receive a presentation from Alan Roach/Bob Rymarz regarding the Chalvedon Academy.

5. CAR CRIME STATISTICS – PRESENTATION BY IAN SMART, BRITISH TRANSPORT POLICE:

To receive a presentation from Ian Smart on car crime statistics.

6. DRUGS AND ALCOHOL REFERENCE GROUP UPDATE (Lynne Taylor)

Update report by Lynne Taylor.

7. COMMUNITY SAFETY ACTION ZONE UPDATE:

Update report by Mark Wheeler.

8. PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT:

David Howard to update on the current position.

9. STRATEGIC ASSESSMENT UPDATE:

Update report by Lucy Payne.

10. CDRP TASKING AND CO-ORDINATING GROUP:

Report by Ken Venables/Ray Williams.

11. CDRP DELIVERY GROUPS – RESTRUCTURE:

Report by Ken Venables/Ray Williams.

12. PARTNERSHIP PLAN UPDATE:

Report by Ken Venables/Ray Williams.

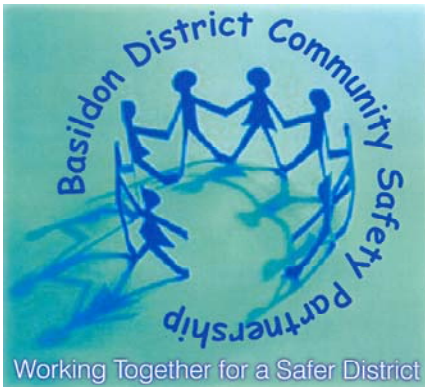
13. DATA SHARING PROTOCOL:

Report by Ray Williams.

14. ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

15. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 15 April at 3.00pm in Parklands.



Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership

Minutes

Notes of a meeting of the Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership held on Tuesday, 19 February 2008.

Present:

Bala Mahendran	-	Basildon Council (Chair)
Councillor Tony Ball	-	Basildon Council
Clare Burrell	-	ECC TASCC
Graham Carey	-	Essex Police
Sue Chorley	-	Victim Support
John Entwistle	-	Basildon Council
Barbara Horne	-	Family Mosaic
David Howard	-	Essex Police
Jerry Jones	-	GO East
Paula Mason	-	Basildon Council
Lesley O'Shea	-	St Georges Community Housing
Lucy Payne	-	Basildon Council
County Cllr John Schofield	-	Essex Police Authority
Lynne Taylor	-	South West Essex PCT
Sallyanne Thallon	-	Essex County Council
Ken Venables	-	Basildon Council
Mark Wheeler	-	Essex Police
Ray Williams	-	Essex Police
Peter Woollard	-	Essex Probation Service

In Attendance:

Julie Batt	-	Basildon Council
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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Jackie Brown	-	Interlock
Bridget Cooper	-	Family Mosaic
Nicola Crony	-	Swan
Dawn French	-	Basildon Council
Jane Gooday	-	South Essex Partnership Trust
Lisa Hamilton	-	Basildon Council
Owen Richards	-	South West Essex PCT
Alison Spalding	-	Essex YOT
Martin Trevillion	-	Essex Fire Service
Nikki Ward	-	Basildon Council

2. MINUTES:

The Minutes of the meeting of the CDRP held on 22 January 2008 were agreed as a true record.

3. ACTION SHEET:

Firebreak Centre

Arrangements were being made for a presentation to be made at the Council's Housing and Community Overview and Scrutiny Committee early in the next municipal year.

Draft Strategic Assessment

Comments on the prevailing priorities were requested by the end of February.

CCTV Performance Update

The next update would be submitted to the CDRP in April 2008.

4. ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR GROUP:

Lesley O'Shea gave an update on the work of the Anti-social Behaviour Group. It was noted that, following the Respect Conference in July 2007, the Respect Taskforce had been replaced by a Youth Taskforce. The Anti-social Behaviour Group had started to draw up an action plan to give the Taskforce some guidance on how it could assist the Group and the draft action plan would be available in April.

It was also hoped that the TASCSC's multi-agency team would follow up some of the issues raised at the Respect Conference.

A 2006/2007 Mori Poll had shown anti-social behaviour in the District falling to 33%, compared to 46% in 2003/04.

Initiatives aimed at combating anti-social behaviour included joint training/estate management, an out of hours reporting hotline, information gathering processes, an increase in community wardens' visits to schools, re-launch of the Junior Warden Scheme and identification of specific officer contacts for families referred to the multi-agency team. The latter initiative was a direct result of the outcome of the Respect Conference, where emphasis was placed on working with individual families.

The CDRP was pleased to note the positive Mori Poll figures and also that the Audit Commission Inspectors, during the recent inspection of St Georges Community Housing, had seen the partnership between agencies as a real strength.

Chief Inspector Mark Wheeler queried whether the recent police operation in Vange (Operation Leopard) would be well received in Council/SGCH areas. The CDRP indicated that, as long as they were in hotspots and were intelligence-led, it broadly supported such operations.

The Chair requested that a report be presented to a future meeting, to include the action plan arising from the Respect Conference and which actions were being put into practice. This could be included in the annual report.

It was agreed that publicity of this group's achievements would help to reduce fear of crime in the District.

5. YOUTH GROUP UPDATE:

Clare Burrell gave an update on the work of the Youth Delivery Group. In addition to the usual activities of the Group, three major projects had been developed in 2007/08 – the homelessness project; victims of crime staying safe project; and James Hornsby High School student attendance project.

The homelessness project had been developed with a group of young people and a range of representatives from agencies. It was a preventative programme aimed at stopping young people making themselves homeless. A DVD and booklet had been produced for schools and youth groups.

The victims of crime staying safe project had been rolled out to four venues in the District. More than 50 young people had attended a community resource workshop in half term. A mobile phone sized information card was being introduced to hand out to young people.

The James Hornsby High School project was aimed at years 7 to 10 and provided a rewards system for good attendance. This project appeared to be having a positive impact on attendance.

Partners were particularly interested in the homelessness project and the importance of the multi-agency approach to providing guidance to young people in such situations.

6. PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT:

The statistics for January 2008, which showed four crime types being over target for the month, were presented to the CDRP and the actions being taken in February 2008 to address those areas over target were noted.

The actual performance figures for the end of the three year period would not be available for release to the public until July, when they would have been audited by Government Office. The Chair requested that a proposal for a co-ordinated series of press events, building up to the public release of the figures, be submitted to the next meeting.

The CDRP's annual report, to be published in May 2008, would refer to significant improvements, rather than the actual figures.

7. OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY RECOMMENDATIONS – CRIMINAL DAMAGE:

Ken Venables circulated the list of decisions that had been made by the Council's Deputy Leader (Councillor T Ball) and Cabinet Member for Community (Councillor T Sargent) as a result of an overview and scrutiny review into the effects of criminal damage.

A total of 21 recommendations had originally been put forward by a task and finish group, set up to undertake the review. Following discussion with Council officers to assess the feasibility of each recommendation in terms of appropriateness, cost resources, practicality and risk, Councillors Ball and Sargent agreed to adopt 17 of them.

It was noted that, whilst most of the items were internal to the Council, there were several that might impact on the CDRP and the Police, such as the decision that, from April 2008, all incidents of criminal damage against Council owned premises and land would be reported to the Police by the Council.

8. ESSEX DATA HUB:

Lucy Payne reported on proposals for an Essex Data Hub, which was a pilot scheme for data sharing amongst various partner agencies across Essex. Discussions were taking place regarding how the data would be collected and presented (via GIS or otherwise), how much it will cost and possible savings, whether the funding will be provided at County level and where the pilot scheme would take place. It was hoped that Basildon might be considered as the pilot area.

Updates would be presented to the CDRP when further information was available.

9. LOCAL AREA AGREEMENT AND STRATEGIC ASSESSMENT UPDATE:

A document was circulated setting out the consultation timeline for the Essex Strategy and Local Area Agreement 2008-11. It was noted that the draft documents had been circulated to LSPs for consultation on 21 January 2008 and, in view of the short deadline for comments, the CDRP Support Group had responded on behalf of the CDRP.

One of the indicators in the LAA was currently "fear of crime" and Graham Carey suggested that this could be more useful if it related to the public's perception of the awareness of the Police and local authority of their problems. One way of taking this suggestion forward would be through the Essex Chief Executives' Group.

The refreshed draft would be circulated when it was available and partners would be consulted. Any comments submitted would be summarised for the next CDRP meeting.

10. THE TILLEY AWARDS 2008:

Ray Williams reported that three CDRP-related projects were being nominated for awards: Making Communities Safer, Community Safety Action Zone and Basildon Firewatch Scheme.

The deadline for nominations was 29 February 2008, after which initial comments would be made by the Home Office and it was understood that the nominator would have the opportunity to revise the nominations in accordance with those comments.

11. COMMUNICATIONS STRATEGY:

John Entwistle circulated a communications programme update. In addition to the events on the programme, it was reported that the Council intended to run a month long festival of events in July, to include the usual Basfest during the first weekend of July and a concert in Lake Meadows. Ideally, all CDRP partner events taking place in July could be branded as part of the Basildon Summer Festival.

It was noted that John Entwistle would produce an outline programme of events for July and partners would be able to comment on how they could contribute.

12. ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

National Probation Service (Essex)

County Councillor John Schofield referred to a letter that he had received from the Probation Service, seeking community service placements for its clients.

Any partners that could make use of this scheme should contact County Councillor Schofield in the first instance and he would forward details to the relevant person.

Strategic Assessment Scanning Exercise

Lucy Payne indicated that the scanning process was still in progress and, once the key priorities had been identified, she could circulate them by email to partners.

Neighbourhood Policing

Graham Carey reported that HM Inspector of Constabularies would be visiting the Essex South West Division at the end of March/beginning of April to assess whether neighbourhood policing was successful and had delivered what was required of it.

National Offender Management Service

Councillor Tony Ball reported that the Council had been approached by an organisation called Clear Springs, which had highlighted 6 properties in Basildon to purchase and change use to become, in effect, houses in multiple occupation for the purpose of housing alleged offenders awaiting trial (rather than holding them in prison). Other areas in Essex had not been approached. The Council had objected from a strategic housing point of view and Councillor Ball suggested that the CDRP might formally comment at the planning application stage.

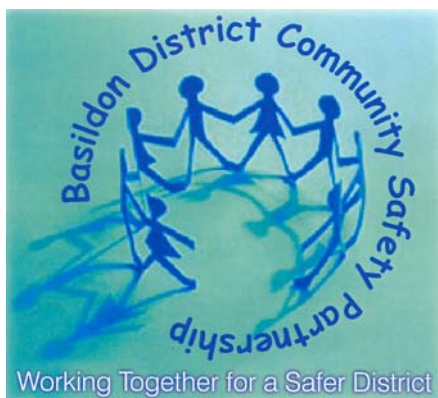
13. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, 18 March 2008 at 3.00pm in Parklands.

Action Sheet

COMMITTEE: CRIME AND DISORDER
REDUCTION PARTNERSHIP

DATE: 19 FEBRUARY 2008



ITEM	ACTION	OFFICER INITIATING
Anti-Social Behaviour Group Update	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Arrange publicity for events/successes that have taken place. 2. Present report to future meeting, to include action plan arising from Respect Conference and which actions are being followed through. 	<p>John Entwistle</p> <p>Lesley O'Shea</p>
Performance Management	Submit proposal for series of press events leading up to release of Iquanta performance statistics in July 2008 to next meeting.	John Entwistle
Local Area Agreement and Strategic Assessment Update	Submit summary of comments received to next meeting.	Lucy Payne
Any Other Business - National Offender Management Service	Ask Planning Services to include CDRP in consultation on related planning applications.	Ken Venables