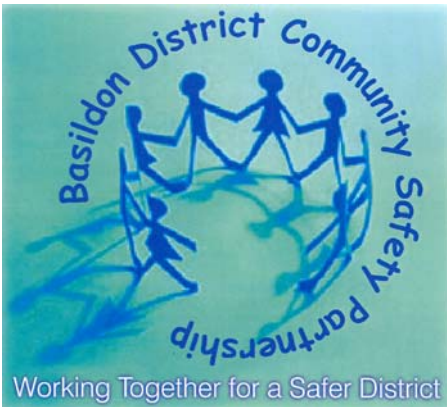


Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership

Minutes



Notes of a meeting of the Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership held on Tuesday, 20 February 2007.

Present:

Cl Jan Harrison	-	Basildon Police (in the Chair)
Heather Aspinall	-	Education and Youth Services
Frances Barbour	-	Basildon District Council
Clare Burrell	-	ECC Youth Service
Supt Graham Carey	-	Essex Police
Suzanne Cross	-	Basildon and Thurrock University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
John Entwistle	-	Basildon District Council
Mel Godfrey	-	Basildon District Council
Jerry Jones	-	GO East
Paula Mason	-	Basildon District Council
Sgt Kevin McPoland	-	Basildon Police
Lesley O'Shea	-	Basildon District Council
Heena Patel	-	Education and Youth Services
Lucy Payne	-	Basildon District LSP
County Councillor John Schofield	-	Essex County Council and Essex Police Authority
Lynne Taylor	-	South West Essex PCT
Martin Trevillion	-	Essex County Fire and Rescue Service
Paul Turner	-	Swan Housing
Ken Venables	-	Basildon District Council

In Attendance:

Julie Batt	-	Basildon District Council
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1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:**

David Britt	-	Basildon District Council
Jackie Brown	-	Interlock
Simon Hughes	-	Basildon District Council
Bala Mahendran	-	Basildon District Council
Owen Richards	-	South West Essex Primary Care Trust
Mandie Skeat	-	Basildon District Council
Alison Spalding	-	Basildon Youth Offending Team
Sally Thallon	-	Essex County Council
Ian Wake	-	South West Essex PCT
Ray Williams	-	Basildon Police

2. MINUTES:

The Minutes of the meeting of the CDRP held on 16 January 2007 were agreed as a true record.

3. EDUCATION AND YOUTH SERVICES:

Heather Aspinall, Area Manager, and Heena Patel, Basildon Manager, gave a presentation on the work of Education and Youth Services (EYS), a scheme funded by the Learning and Skills Council and Fords.

EYS was set up in 2000 as a life skills provider and now supplied its E2E (Entry to Employment) programme nationwide, offering places to young adults aged between 16 and 18 to help them gain the skills and confidence needed to enable them to enter employment. The company also provided a variety of other courses, including a Restart programme for Year 10 and 11 learners who have been, or are in danger of being, excluded from mainstream education.

Courses were tailored to individuals and a number of incentives were offered to keep them on track, including free driving lessons, free day trips and residential, learner of the month award, weekly draw and breakfast club. Learners were also motivated by means of verbal praise and public acknowledgement of effort.

EYS had asked to address the CDRP as it was interested in building up partnerships and links with other organisations. It had an "open house" policy and anyone who would like to learn more could visit the centre at Conquest House.

Contact details were:

Address: Conquest House
Arterial Road
Laindon, Basildon
Essex SS15 6BP

Telephone: 01268 415663

Email: h.patel@eys.org.uk

4. ACTION SHEET:

Equality/Diversity and Social Cohesion

As Sally Thallon was not present, this item was held over to the next meeting.

CCTV

Ken Venables reported that the Control Room had reported 21 "live incidents" to the Police and the Police had taken possession of 17 DVDs for evidential purposes. There had been no feedback on the results of police action yet and consideration was being given to ways of tracking and monitoring the use of CCTV footage. The suggestion that more visible signs be provided was being referred to the CCTV Review Group.

Graham Carey reported that the opportunity had arisen to extend the Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) system that was currently in operation in the Festival Leisure park and Tesco, Pitsea. The system was funded by the CDRP and funds were available to cover the capital costs of additional cameras. Possible locations for these were Billericay Police Station forecourt, Wickford Police Station forecourt and the rear of Basildon Police Station.

All other matters were covered in the agenda for this meeting.

5. PROLIFIC AND PRIORITY OFFENDER – CATCH AND CONVICT:

Jan Harrison reported that it had now been agreed to increase the number of PPOs from 20 to 26, 10 of whom were currently held in custody. The Catch and Convict Group continued to be an effective group, with all agencies co-operating and communicating well.

6. PROLIFIC AND PRIORITY OFFENDER – PREVENT AND DETER:

Jan Harrison had been advised by Alison Spalding that the Prevent and Deter PPO list had been re-scored, which had resulted in fewer PPOs being on the list. It was intended to increase it again to approximately 20 PPOs.

Graham Carey requested the CDRP's comments regarding a particular PPO who had requested that he be supported through a drugs rehabilitation programme away from the area.

7. PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT:

Ken Venables presented the statistics for January 2007 and stressed that the figures were not audited. The actions being taken in February 2007 to address those areas over target were noted.

8. COMMUNITY SAFETY ACTION ZONE UPDATE:

Jan Harrison reported that evaluations were still outstanding from eight agencies and requested that partners ensure that their evaluations be submitted as soon as possible.

A comparison of crime/incidents recorded between the periods November 2004 – January 2005 and November 2006 – January 2007 had been undertaken and had shown :

- a 5% decrease in crime
- an 18% decrease in recorded incidents
- a 42% decrease in antisocial behaviour

Concern had been expressed regarding the sustainability of the interventions carried out in the Pitsea Market Area and those proposed for the King Edward Estate and it was agreed that all agencies needed to work together to ensure that the work would continue in those areas.

The second formal meeting in respect of the King Edward Estate would be held next week at James Hornsby High School.

Lesley O'Shea reported that a family fun day, with a community safety emphasis was being planned for the King Edward Estate.

9. COMMUNITY TV LAUNCH:

It was noted that the Community TV launch had been a successful event, with over 250 people attending, and positive feedback had been received following the event.

A pre-implementation survey had been carried out before the launch and Paula Mason summarised the results. A copy of the survey results would be circulated with the Minutes. A post-evaluation survey was due to be undertaken in September 2007.

Training would be provided in March 2007 on how to post "FYI" messages onto the screen.

Contact details for the Community TV system were telephone: 01268 294568 and email: communityTV@basildon.gov.uk.

10. CCTV:

Ken Venables reported that there were still some technical difficulties with the system, but these were being addressed. The CCTV Review Group had been established and would consider legalities, monitoring arrangements, staffing and integration with other systems.

11. COMMUNICATIONS STRATEGY:

John Entwistle circulated an updated communications programme. It was hoped that the more publicity given to activities aimed at decreasing crime and disorder, the more fear of crime would decrease. Therefore, the communications programme should contain as many events as possible. Graham Carey suggested that something be included on the programme in respect of forthcoming legislation to increase the legal age for buying cigarettes from 16 to 18. Paula Mason confirmed that this would also be covered on Community TV.

12. ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

- Lesley O'Shea suggested that a seminar be arranged to raise awareness of partners with regard to the Respect agenda and identify any areas where attention should be focused. It was agreed that this matter should be considered by Ken Venables and Ray Williams and a report be made to the next meeting. Jan Harrison indicated that there was a small amount of funding available, if needed.
- John Schofield referred to a discussion at the Police Authority relating to proposals to extend Fire Brigade guidelines to other emergency services and requested partners' views. Jan Harrison indicated that this matter was due to be discussed at the District Commanders' meeting the next day.
- Martin Trevillion invited partners to the passing out parade on 2 March 2007 at 1.30pm at Corringham Fire Station in respect of the Firebreak Course.

13. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, 20 March 2007 at 3.00pm in Parklands.