

# Minutes of the Belfast Policing and Community Safety Partnership

HR Conference Room, Cecil Ward Building, Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> August 12

<b>Members Present</b>	
<u>Political Members</u> Councillor Jim McVeigh (Chairman) Councillor Janice Austin Councillor Claire Hanna Alderman Tom Ekin Councillor Matt Garrett Councillor John Hussey Councillor Colin Keenan Councillor Gareth McKee Alderman Jim Rodgers Councillor Guy Spence	<u>Independent Members</u> Valerie Allen Eva Grosman John MacVicar Frank Mulhern Mark Vinton Alan Wardle
<b>Invited Organisations (Proposed Future Designated Bodies)</b>	
Alan McCrum, PSNI Eithne McIlroy, PBNI	Maurice Johnston, NIHE Alan Walmsley, NIFRS
<b>Staff Present</b>	<b>Apologies</b>
Eve Bremner – Safer City Manager Stevie Lavery – Community Safety Co-Ordinator Ricky O Rawe (External Facilitator)	

## 1. Welcome and Introductions

- i. The Chairman, Councillor McVeigh, welcomed Members to the meeting and asked people to introduce themselves.
- ii. Alderman Rodgers queried why City Hall was not used for tonight's meeting. EB informed members they had agreed to use somewhere other than Connor and Lavery Rooms for planning but would explore options going forward.
- iii. **Action:** Eve to source venues for future planning meetings.

## 2. Declaration of Interest

- i. Noted

## 3. ASB Conference

- i. Members agreed not to send anyone to the ASB conference in London

#### **4. Request for deputation to PCSP**

- i. Eve EB outlined some requests from third sector groups to develop links with the PCSP;
  - Barnardo's' want to come and give presentation on child exploitation
  - Domestic Violence want PCSP Members to attend their meetings
- i. **Action:** Barnardo's' request was agreed. Date to be confirmed
- ii. **Action:** Ms. E. Grosman, Mr. J. MacVicar and Cllr. J. Austin (if available) to attend Domestic Violence.

#### **5. Small Grants**

- i. Frank Mulhern gave an overview of the Small Grants process. Members debated various issues including frequency of grants, who should be able to apply, delegated authority and other matters.
- ii. **Action:** It was agreed to advertise Autumn 2012 Small Grants Programme.
- iii. **Action:** It was requested that officers explore possibility of moving to annual allocation to improve governance and allow for use of funding throughout the year.
- iv. **Action:** It was agreed that a Special Meeting would be held on the morning of 4<sup>th</sup> October 2012 to approve grants.

#### **6. Policing Plan Priorities**

- i. Members agreed no new ones necessary

#### **7. Consultation on Reoffending**

- i. Members agreed no response would be submitted by the PCSP but members could submit an individual response.

#### **8. Financial Update first quarter**

- i. Eve Bremner gave an update on end of quarter finances. She asked members to note that the youth outreach tender was not awarded due to poor standard of the applicants

- ii. Alan Wardle asked for a further breakdown of finances to be sent to members.
- iii. **Action:** Eve Bremner to send spreadsheets of further breakdown of finances

## 9. Policing Committee

- i. Eve Bremner delivered a report on the Policing Committee for the PCSP and asked members to consider dates, time, frequency and format of the meetings.
- ii. **Action:** It was agreed that the meetings would be held bi monthly, on the same night as the PCSP one hour prior to their main meeting.
- iii. **Action:** Members agreed the chair would work with officers and Police regarding the format of the Policing Committee and report back at the next meeting with options for discussion.

## 10. Planning

- i. Ricky O'Rawe was introduced as facilitator assisting with the planning for (D)PCSPs and he took members through a planning process to draft an action plan for the PCSP
- ii. **Action:** A joint event would be organised on 11<sup>th</sup> September with the PCSP members and chairs and vice chairs of DPCSPs.
- iii. **Action:** Officers to further develop draft action plan for Members approval at the next meeting.

## Other Action Points

- i. **Action:** Minutes of DPCSPs to be circulated to PCSP.
- ii. **Action:** Further joint meetings of PCSP and DPCSPs to be explored.
- iii. **Action:** Chairs of partnerships to hold further joint meetings similar to those previously organised to develop the transitional plan.