

North Belfast District Policing and Community Safety Partnership

Policing Committee

9 Adelaide Street, Room AD1H
Wednesday, 21st February, 2018

Political Members	Independent Members
Councillor Mary Ellen Campbell	Jennifer Cornell (Vice-Chair)
Councillor Mary Clarke	Michael Murray
Alderman Guy Spence	Catherine Patrick
	Gerard O'Reilly
Designated Organisations	
Harry Bradley, YJA	Davy McComiskey, NIFRS
Laura Kelly, PSNI	Malachy McKinney, NIHE
Gabi Mornhinweg, H&SCT	Paul Noble, PSNI
Janet McClinton, PBNI	Alan Wilson, EA
Staff Present	Apologies
Richard McLernon, Safer City Coordinator	Councillor Paul McCusker
Saranne Gallagher, Partnership Support Officer	Councillor Frank McCoubrey
Brice Dickson, Northern Ireland Policing Board	Gerald Solinas
	Chief Inspector Stephen Burns, PSNI

1. Welcome and Routine Matters

- i. The Vice Chair, Jennifer Cornell welcomed Members to the North Belfast DPCSP Policing Committee Meeting.
- ii. She further welcomed Brice Dickson for the Northern Ireland Policing Board to the North Belfast DPCSP Policing Committee Meeting.

2. Declaration of Interests

- i. Members were asked to declare any material interests which they may have in relation to any item of business to be considered during the meeting.
- ii. No declarations of interest were made.

3. Minutes/Matters Arising

- i. Minutes for the North Belfast DPCSP Policing Committee held on the 24th January, copies of which had previously been circulated, were taken as read and agreed as correct.

4. Area Commander's Update on Policing

- i. Inspector Paul Noble provided Members with an overview on police performance against the Local Policing Plan. Members noted that:
 - Overall crime had decreased by 1.9%;
 - The total number of anti-social behaviour incidents had increased by 1.7%;
 - The number of domestic motivation crimes had decreased by 2.1%;
 - An increase of 4.2% had been recorded in relation to achieving a reduction in the total number of burglaries;
 - An increase of 10.3% had been recorded in relation to the total number of drug offences;
 - An increase of 7.8% had been recorded in relation to the total number of drug seizures;
 - An increase of 20.6% had been recorded in relation to the total number of drug arrests; and,
 - A decrease of 15.2% had been recorded in relation to the number of people seriously injured in road collisions.
- ii. Cllr Campbell highlighted her concern regarding antisocial behaviour issues within the New Lodge area.
- iii. Alderman Spence asked if there had been any interventions that could be used to engage with parents to help address the ongoing issues with young people and antisocial behaviour.
- iv. Inspector Noble advised Members that the PSNI try to ensure parents know where their children are. He commented that the PSNI have used various social media messages to highlight this, in particular 'Do You Know Where Your Children Are' Campaign.
- v. Inspector Noble provided Members with an update regarding forthcoming events including St. Patrick's Day and key dates within the marching season. He further advised Members that Chief Inspector Stephen Burns is retiring on 6th April. He commented that there had been no details on who will replace him, but would update Members with details when available.
- vi. Alderman Spence requested for an update to be provided regarding the drug Naloxone and its usage. The Safer City Coordinator advised Alderman Spence that Members had received an update at the previous DPCSP Meeting and would forward the update on to him for review.
- vii. Following a discussion regarding drug bins and the usage of drug bins, Members requested for a representative from BDACT to attend the next DPCSP Meeting.

5. Members Written Questions

- i. No written questions were received.

6. Policing Committee Applications

- i. No policing committee applications were received.