

Minutes of the North Belfast District Policing and Community Safety Partnership

Private Meeting

9 Adelaide Street, Room AD1H
Wednesday, 24th January, 2018

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

1. Welcome and Routine Matters

- i. The Chair welcomed Members to the North Belfast DPCSP Private 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. The Safer City Coordinator provided Members with an update on the actions identified at the North Belfast DPCSP Private Meetings on 7th December 2017 and 10th January 2018.
- ii. The Safer City Coordinator asked Members to note that it had been agreed at the Meeting held on 10th January for a total of £3,000 to be profiled for Domestic Violence projects being delivered in 2017/18 and for a total of £7,000 to be ring fenced for Domestic Violence projects being delivered in 2018/19. He asked for Members to agree for the Minutes be amended to reflect this decision. Members noted and agreed to the request.
- iii. Jennifer Cornell highlighted her concern regarding a decision still not being agreed for the Vice Chair of the Partnership to represent the Chair at Meetings when he is unable to

attend. She asked for clarification to be provided ASAP. The Safer City Coordinator read from an email provide by the Safer City Manager in relation to this issue where she advised that it was with BCC legal services at present, and that DOJ had requested that the matter be resolved in a positive manner. Two Elected Members offered to contact legal services in relation to this matter.

- iv. The Safer City Coordinator advised Members that the Street Triage project would not be delivered in this financial year. Members requested for the Chair to attend any meetings with Belfast Trust/PHA to discuss the Street Triage Project not occurring and next steps.
- v. The Safer City Coordinator circulated consent forms regarding Members names being published in future Minutes of the Partnership. He asked Members to fill in the consent forms confirming whether they gave permission or not for their names to be detailed. He further commented that any Members absent from the Meeting will be sent the consent form electronically.
- vi. Minutes of the North Belfast DPCSP Private Meeting which was held on 7th December and 10th January 2018, copies of which had previously been circulated, were taken as read and agreed as correct.

4. Greater Shankill Drugs Meeting Update

- i. Steven Pollock from Greater Shankill ACT provided Members with an update on the recent Greater Shankill Drugs Meeting held on Friday 19th January.
- ii. Following a discussion regarding the Greater Shankill ACT and the concerns they have highlighted regarding drugs within their community, the Chair offered the support and help of North Belfast DPCSP to help address these issues.
- iii. Steven welcomed the support of the North Belfast DPCSP and suggested for a future meeting to be held whereby representatives from the Belfast Trust and Public Health Agency to attend.

5. Members North Belfast Priorities and Emerging Issues

YJA

- i. A Member advised the Partnership of a programme regarding anti-social behaviour and drugs being delivered in conjunction with the PSNI. He commented that the programme would be delivered from February.

NIHE

- i. A Member advised the Partnership of local hotspots noted by the NIHE, in particular to anti-social behaviour and drugs.
- ii. He further advised Members of ongoing ASB issues in Tigers Bay.
- iii. He informed Members that the NIHE are currently working with a range of community groups to address issues such as ASB and to identify ways of moving forward.

EA

- i. A Member advised the Partnership that the EA are currently working on their Area Plan.

NIFRS

- i. Dave McComiskey, Station Commander, NIFRS provided Members with an update regarding the recent services provided by the Fire and Rescue Service.
- ii. The Chair thanked Dave for his update and for the work carried out by the NIFRS.

6. Action Plan Update

- i. The Safer City Coordinator requested for Members to agree that following the Private Meeting, he would update the Action Plan accordingly with any decisions made and circulate an electronic copy of the Action Plan to Members for review.
- ii. Members noted this request and agreed.
- iii. The Safer City Coordinator advised Members that he anticipated an underspend of between £20k-£30k for 2017/18.
- iv. Councillor Mary Ellen Campbell highlighted that she thought it had been agreed previously that any potential underspends would be reprofiled into the PIPS Mater Project to allow the project to be delivered for longer. The Safer City Coordinator advised Members that he would need to get clarification on this and update Members ASAP.

7. White City Project

- i. The Safer City Coordinator reminded Members that this project proposal had been deferred at the last North Belfast DPCSP due to a request for project management costs associated with the delivery of this project to be reviewed.
- ii. He advised Members that project management costs had been reduced by £250.00.
- iii. Members noted the reduction in relation to project management costs and agreed to fund the proposed project.

8. Basement Youth Club

- i. The Safer City Coordinator reminded Members that this project proposal had been deferred at the last North Belfast DPCSP due to a request for further information.
- i. He advised Members that further information had not been provided and therefore requested for the project to be considered to be delivered in 2018/19.
- ii. Members noted the request and agreed to review the project in 2018/19.

9. North Belfast Tension Monitoring

- i. The Safer City Coordinator reminded Members that this project proposal had been tabled at the previous Meeting and asked for Members to agree £2,900 for the delivery of the project.
- ii. Members noted the request and agreed to fund £2,900 towards the delivery of the project.

10. Shankill Hope Zone

- i. The Safer City Coordinator reminded Members that this project proposal had been deferred at the last North Belfast DPCSP due to a request for how the promotional information would be distributed.
- ii. He advised Members that he has clarified how the promotional information will be distributed and asked the Partnership to fund £2,760.
- iii. Members noted the request and agreed to fund £2,760 towards the delivery of the project

11. Ascertainment Drop In Project

- i. The Safer City Coordinator reminded Members that this project proposal had been deferred at the last North Belfast DPCSP due to a request on associated project costs.
- ii. He provided Members with an update on project costs/sessions.
- iii. Members noted the costs/sessions and agreed to fund £2,975 towards the delivery of the project

12. Extern Mindful Drinking

- i. The Safer City Coordinator reminded Members that this project proposal had been deferred at the last North Belfast DPCSP due to a query regarding alcohol consumption.
- ii. He advised Members that no alcohol may be consumed during the delivery of the project and the location for the session in Ardoyne had been confirmed as the Crumlin Star.
- iii. Members noted the information and agreed to fund £980 towards the delivery of the project

13. Limestone United Project

- i. The Safer City Coordinator provided Members with an overview of the project.
- ii. He requested Members to support the delivery of the proposed project and fund £1,720 towards the project.
- iii. Members noted the information and agreed to fund £1,720 towards the delivery of the project.

14. Domestic Violence Packs

- i. The Safer City Coordinator provided Members with an overview of the project.
- ii. He advised Members that the project was still subject to internal due diligence procedures. However, he requested Members to support the delivery of the proposed project and fund £2,040 towards the project.
- iii. Members noted the information and agreed to fund £2,040 towards the delivery of the project

Olympus Gym Project

- i. The Safer City Coordinator provided Members with an overview of the project.
- ii. He advised Members that the project could not be delivered in this financial year. He requested for the project to be considered for delivery in 2018/19.
- iii. Members noted the request and agreed to review the project for delivery in 2018/19.

Benview ASB Project

- i. The Safer City Coordinator provided Members with an overview of the project.
- ii. He requested Members to support the delivery of the proposed project and fund £1,420 towards the project.
- iii. Members noted the information and agreed to fund £1,420 towards the delivery of the project.

Lower Shankill Hate Crime

- i. The Safer City Coordinator provided Members with an overview of the project.
- ii. He advised Members that the project could not be delivered in this financial year. He requested for the project to be considered for delivery in 2018/19.
- iii. Members noted the request and agreed to review the project for delivery in 2018/19.

PIPS Training Launch

- i. The Safer City Coordinator provided Members with an overview of the project.
- ii. He requested Members to support the delivery of the proposed project and fund £2,030 towards the project.
- iii. Members noted the information and agreed to fund £2,030 towards the delivery of the project.

DePaul Project

- i. Members agreed to review the project for delivery in 2018/19.

Domestic and Sexual Violence Update

- i. The Safer City Coordinator provided Members with an overview of the project.
- ii. He advised Members that the project could not be delivered in this financial year. He requested for the project to be considered for delivery in 2018/19 and for approximately £10,000 to be ring-fenced for the delivery of the project.
- iii. Members noted the request and agreed to fund the project for delivery in 2018/19.

No Hate Here

- i. The Safer City Coordinator provided Members with an overview of the project.

- ii. He advised Members that a follow up meeting was held with Intercomm, who had indicated they had not received the quotation in time to respond. Intercomm did indicate that they are interested in undertaking this work, however, a written confirmation with proposed timescale and costs to be attached has not been received as yet.

Youth Engagement

- i. The Safer City Coordinator provided Members with an overview of the project.
- ii. He advised Members that the cost of hosting the event at Girdwood still had to be confirmed.
- iii. Members requested for Council to review costs of hiring their own venues.
- iv. Following a discussion, Members agreed to host the event at Girdwood and fund £1,500 towards the delivery of the project.

New Lodge Youth Club

- i. The Safer City Coordinator provided Members with an overview of the project.
- ii. Following a discussion, Members agreed to support the project and fund £1,850 towards the delivery of the project.

15. PCSP Small Grants Update

- i. The Safer City Coordinator provided Members with an update on the Small Grants.
- ii. Following a discussion, Members agreed to allocate £40,000 for Small Grants in 2018/19.
- iii. Councillor Mary Ellen Campbell, Councillor Clarke and Councillor Paul McCusker agreed to participate in the Small Grants Panel.
- iv. Members agreed for an email to be sent to absent Members to check their availability to participate in the Small Grants Panel.