

North Belfast District Policing and Community Safety Partnership

Private Meeting

AD1H, 9 Adelaide
Thursday, 16th August, 2018

Political Members	Independent Members
Councillor Ryan Murphy (Chair)	Gerard O'Reilly
Councillor Mary Clarke	Michael Murray
Alderman Frank McCoubrey	
Designated Organisations	
Declan Davey, YJA	Gabi Mornhinweg, H&SCT
Liam Gunn, NIHE	Chief Inspector Kelly Moore
Davy McComiskey, NIFRS	Inspector Paul Noble, PSNI
Janet McClinton, PBNI	
Staff Present	Apologies
Alan Wardle, Safer City Coordinator	Jennifer Cornell (Vice-Chair)
Saranne Gallagher, Partnership Support Officer	Councillor Paul McCusker
	Catherine Patrick
	Gerald Solinas

1. Welcome and Routine Matters

- i. The Chair, Councillor Ryan Murphy welcomed Members to the North Belfast DPCSP Private Meeting and noted the apologies provided.
- ii. He thanked the previous Chair/Vice Chair and Councillor Mary Ellen Campbell for their commitment and support to North Belfast DPCSP. He suggested for a letter to be sent to Councillor Mary Ellen and Jennifer Cornell. Members welcomed this suggestion.

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 of the North Belfast DPCSP Private Meeting, which was held on 21st June 2018, copies of which had previously been circulated, were taken as read and agreed as correct.

4. Election of Vice Chair

- i. The Safer City Coordinator advised Members that in agreement with the current Independent Members, Gerard O'Reilly would be appointed the new Vice Chair of North Belfast DPCSP.
- ii. Members noted the new Vice Chair appointment.

5. Chairs Update from PCSP

- i. The previous Chair had been unable to attend the Private Meeting, and therefore no update had been provided.

6. Local Designated Consultation Structures

NIHE

- i. Liam Gunn, NIHE provided the Partnership with an update concerning NIHE.
- ii. He advised Members that there had been no major issues reported regarding the July/August bonfires.
- iii. He further advised Members that there had been a few small fires in the Newlodge area and that NIHE are working in partnership with the PSNI to conduct home visits to those who had been involved.
- iv. Liam informed Members that a meeting would take place with NIHE and CHOICE regarding the recent drug death in the Carrickhill area.
- v. He further informed Members that two court hearings had been pending in relation to ongoing ASB issues at Oisín House in the Newlodge.
- vi. The Vice Chair highlighted that the coordination between statutory agencies helped with the success of local events within the Newlodge area. He further commented that the coordination helped to remove the level of negativity among the local community.
- vii. The Chair asked if those involved in ASB in the Newlodge area were known to statutory agencies.
- viii. Chief Inspector Kelly Moore provided Members with an overview of the processes undertaken by the PSNI when details of young people are involved in ASB are given to the police.

NIFRS

- i. Dave McComiskey, Station Commander advised Members that there had been no major issues for the NIFRS during the July/August bonfires.
- ii. The Station Commander advised Members that he would be moving post and that a colleague from the NIFRS would attend future DPCSP Meetings.
- iii. The Chair thanked Dave for his attendance, commitment and support to the North Belfast DPCSP.

PBNI

- i. Janet McClinton, PBNI advised Members that there had been a level of concern regarding the number of deaths linked to mental health and drugs.

- ii. She commented that work needed to be done with the PHA in order to shorten waiting lists and for additional resources to be allocated to this specific area of work.

YJA

- i. Declan Davy, YJA advised Members on the number of young people involved in making up the Beat the Burglar packs.
- ii. He provided Members with details of the summer intervention programmes and the community resolution programme.
- iii. Councillor Mary Clarke asked if Beat the Burglar packs are available now.
- iv. The Safer City Coordinator advised Council officers and Crime Prevention Officers would distribute Beat the Burglar packs, however, the final process for distribution needed to be agreed.
- v. The Safer City Coordinator provided Members with details of the play 'Banjaxed' and its role out through North Belfast schools. He welcomed Members to attend the play and details of the performances would be circulated to Members in due course.

DPCSP Members

- i. The Vice Chair asked if the PSNI had an update regarding the recent attempted murder attack in the Newlodge area.
- ii. Chief Inspector Moore was unable to provide an update, however she would review the information and provide an update at the next DPCSP Meeting.
- iii. The Chair highlighted the level of ASB in North Belfast and asked if the PSNI had any planned operations that could address ASB.
- iv. Chief Inspector Moore provided Members with an overview of Operation Rallinae. She advised Members that this operation would focus on tackling ASB.
- v. Alderman McCoubrey commented that in order to tackle ASB, all statutory agencies and local community need to work in partnership. He further commented that ASB should not be an issue for the PSNI to address on their own.
- vi. Following a discussion, the Safer City Coordinator advised Members that he had developed a number of quotations; one in particular would address ASB in North Belfast. However, he advised Members, that the Partnership would need to review the quotation and provide approval for the quotations.

7. Action Plan Update

- i. The Safer City Coordinator provided Members with an update regarding the current progress of the 2018/2019 Action Plan.
- ii. He advised Members that a Member had highlighted his concern regarding North Belfast DPCSP spend to date.
- iii. The Safer City Coordinator provided Member with an overview of spend to date and provided an in depth report on budget allocation against future spend.

- iv. He advised Members that if all proposed quotations are approved and successful organisations appointed to deliver, the budget for North DPCSP would show a more realistic spend profile.
- v. He further advised Members that Asda (Shore Road) had confirmed that a drug bin could be allocated on their premises. He commented that the budget associated to the drug bin being located at Asda would be £1,000.00.
- vi. He also informed Members that a total of £12,000 of small grants applications had been received and are all eligible for funding.
- vii. Following a discussion, Members noted the update provided.

8. Additional Budget Request

- i. The Safer City Coordinator requested Members to approve an increase of funding for the hate crime campaign 'No Hate Here'.
- ii. He advised Members that following a number of consultations with relevant stakeholders as well as discussions within the North Belfast DPCSP hate crime sub-group, it had been identified that to maximise the impact of any campaign across North Belfast, the budget should have the potential to be increased to £10,000.
- iii. The Safer City Coordinator informed Members that the domestic violence budget line would likely only require £4,000, leaving £4,000 of an underspend.
- iv. The Safer City Coordinator therefore requested that Members approve an increase of £2,000 for the hate crime initiative utilising part of the domestic violence underspend.
- v. Members agreed to reallocate £2,000 from the domestic violence underspend to the No Hate Here budget line to allow the budget line to be increased to £10,000.

9. Quotation Specifications

- i. The Safer City Coordinator provided Members with an overview of four potential quotations, which would address priorities, as set out in the 2017/18 Action Plan.
- ii. He reminded Members that the four priorities were:
 - ASB – Youth Outreach & Engagement;
 - Drugs & Alcohol initiatives;
 - Domestic Violence; and,
 - Hate Crime.
- iii. The Safer City Coordinator provided Members with details on the following quotations;
 - Youth Engagement & Outreach £35,000;
 - Hate Crime (Currently £8,000 to be increased to £10,000 as agreed); and,
 - Drugs & Alcohol £8,000.
- iv. He requested Members to approve the three Quotations as set out in the description documents circulated.

- v. Following a discussion, Members noted the requests and approved the quotations along with the associated budgets.
- vi. The Safer City Coordinator confirmed that once organisations had been identified to potentially deliver the quotations, details would be circulated to Members for notation.

10. North DPCSP Small Grants Tranche 2

- i. The Safer City Coordinator provided Members with an update regarding North Belfast DPCSP Small Grants Tranche 2.
- ii. He advised Members that PCSP had allocated a total of £20,000 to Small Grants 2018/19. He further advised Members that £7,075 of the annual budget had already been allocated in Tranche 1.
- iii. He informed Members that a total of 28 PCSP Small Grant applications were received for all five (D)PCSPs.
- iv. The Safer City Coordinator confirmed that all applications would be initially scored and moderated by the 3 Coordinators. These moderated scores and applications will then be taken to a Member Panel for their consideration. He further commented that in the past, applications not scoring above the threshold of 50% were not funded.
- v. Members were requested to nominate 5 Members to form the Member Panel (the quorum for this panel shall be 3). Furthermore, the Partnership had been requested to grant delegated authority to the Member Panel to make a final decision on the successful applications in order for the process of notification to be expedited.
- vi. Following a discussion, Members agreed to the recommendations.
- vii. Alderman McCoubrey, Cllr Clarke, Gerard O'Reilly, Gabi Mornhinweg and Janet McClinton agreed to participate on the Small Grants Panel.

11. PCSP Monitoring Return

- i. Members were presented with a copy of the monitoring return provided to the Joint Committee alongside the financial claim.
- ii. The Safer City Coordinator advised Members that the report includes information provided by the delivery organisations as part of the monitoring and evaluation process.
- iii. A Member welcomed the report as it showed the impact projects made and thanked officers for the information provided.
- iv. Members noted the report.

12. Belfast City Council Anti-Social Behaviour Reports

- i. The Safer City Coordinator provided Members with a North Belfast update on Belfast City Council ASB Issues and local district hotspots.

- ii. The Safer City Coordinator advised Members, if they had any questions regarding the content of the report to contact Richard McLernon.
- iii. Following a discussion, Members noted the paper and the details provided.

13. PSNI Consultation Report

- i. The Safer City Coordinator advised Members that PSNI, led by Assistant Chief Constable Alan Todd, would be undertaking a public consultation between September and October 2018.
- ii. He further advised Members that Belfast PCSP would host a (D)PCSP Member only consultation workshop at 7pm on Monday 10 September in City Hall and light refreshments will be available from 6.35pm.
- iii. In addition to this consultation, he informed Members that the DPCSPs had been asked to consider hosting a public consultation event in their area as their September/October Public Meetings.
- iv. Members noted the report and agreed to facilitate a public consultation event following their Private Meeting in September.

14. Belfast PCSP Action Plan Implementation

- i. The Safer City Coordinator advised Members that the PCSP at its Meeting on the 6th August approved the implementation of the following citywide projects on behalf of the Belfast DPCSPs:

Domestic and Sexual Violence and Abuse, from Feel Safer - Domestic Violence:

- DASH Masterclass and Training the Trainer, £5,433.94
- Men Speaking Out Project, £1,142
- Enhanced Training Project, £2,015

Preventative Safeguarding Project, from Feel Safer:

- To raise awareness of the 24 hour helpline, £3,000
- To raise awareness of adult child to parent violence, £500
- To raise awareness that it is possible to register to vote anonymously, £186
- Crime Stoppers Videos, £300

RADAR Project, from Feel Safer - Young People

- RADAR Project for primary schools, £7,500

- ii. He advised Members that all the projects detailed had completed due diligence and letters of offer, to the delivery organisations were currently being developed.
- iii. The Safer City Coordinator requested Members to note confirmation of final approval by the PCSP for the following citywide projects from the North Belfast DPCSP budget.
- iv. Members noted the report and detail provided.

15. ARC's Update

- i. The Safer City Coordinator provided Members an update on the Asset Recovery Community Scheme.
- ii. Members noted the update provided.

16. Emerging Issues

- i. No emerging issues were discussed.

17. Date of Next Meeting

- i. The Safer City Coordinator advised Members that the next North DPCSP Private Meeting would be held on 20th September 2018, Girdwood Hub.