

Minutes of the West Belfast District Policing and Community Safety Partnership

Policing Committee Meeting

Tuesday, 29th May, 2018
Lavery Room, City Hall

Political Members	Independent Members
Alderman Brian Kingston(Chair)	Liz Groves
Councillor Matt Garrett	
Councillor Brian Heading	
Councillor Stephen Magennis	
Statutory Designated Organisations	
Inspector Alan Swann PSNI	Inspector Clare McClelland PSNI
Staff Present	Apologies
Alan Wardle, Safer City Coordinator	Chief Inspector Kellie McMillen
Saranne Gallagher, Partnership Support Officer	

1. Welcome and Routine Matters

- i. The Chair welcomed Members to the Meeting of the West Belfast DPCSP Policing Committee.

2. Declarations of Interest

- 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 noted.

3. West Belfast DPCSP Minutes & Matters Arising

- i. The Minutes of the West Belfast DPCSP Policing Committee Meeting held on 21st March, copies of which had previously been circulated, were taken as read and agreed as correct.

4. Performance against West Belfast District Policing Plan

- i. Inspector Alan Swann updated the Members on the performance against the West Belfast District Policing Plan.
- ii. Members noted that:
 - A decrease of 6.3% in victim based crime;
 - A decrease of 5.0% in relation to violence against the person;
 - An increase of 9.4% in relation to the number of sexual offences;
 - A decrease of 11.9% in the number robberies;
 - An decrease of 17.9% in the number of burglaries;
 - An increase of 20.5% in the number of drug offences; and,
 - A decrease of 4.3% in relation to the total recorded crime (all offences).
- iii. Inspector Clare McClelland advised Members of a PSNI Campaign initially delivered in the Newtownabbey/Antrim area, which focused on drugs/drug dealing.

- iv. She provided Members with an overview of the Campaign and how the Campaign would aim to encourage people to report drug dealing. Literature regarding the Campaign was circulated to Members for information.
- v. A Member asked for an update regarding Cage Football. The Safer City Coordinator advised Members that he would enquire about the current position on this and provide an update at the next Meeting.

5. Monitoring Reports Against the NI Policing Plan

- i. The Safer City Coordinator advised Members of the Monitoring Reports against the NI Policing Plan.
- ii. Members noted the report and the content detailed.

6. Date of Next Meeting

- i. The Safer City Co-ordinator advised Members that the next Policing Committee Meeting of the West Belfast DPCSP would be held on Tuesday 28th August, Lavery Room, City Hall
- iii. The Chair thanked Members for attending the West Belfast DPCSP Policing Committee Meeting.