

**Minutes of the East Belfast District Policing and Community Safety Partnership  
Private Meeting  
Park Avenue Hotel, 158 Holywood Road, Belfast BT4 1PB  
Monday, 25<sup>th</sup> February, 2013**

**Political Members**

Cllr Deirdre Hargey  
Cllr. Mervyn Jones  
Cllr Adam Newton  
Cllr Niall Ó Donnaghaile  
Ald Gavin Robinson

**Independent Members**

Mark Houston (Vice Chair)  
Lynda Gibson  
Olwen Lyner  
Andrew Moorhead

**Police Service of Northern Ireland  
Representatives**

Chief Superintendent Alan McCrum  
Chief Inspector Mark McEwan  
Inspector Angus Mairs  
Sergeant Neil Baker

**Invited Organisations (Proposed Future Designated Bodies)**

Gary Ballantyne, NIHE  
Jane Lappin, PBNI

**Staff Present**

Lorna Somers, DPP Manager  
Sean McCormick, DPP Officer  
Jo Black, Partnership Support Officer

**Apology**

Cllr Claire Hanna  
Pauline Smart, BELB  
Yvonne Cowan, BHSCT  
Yvonne Adair, Youth Justice  
Agency

**1. Welcome & Routine Matters**

- i. All apologies were noted. The DPP Officer explained that the meeting would be chaired by Mark Houston, the Vice-Chair due to the inability to attend of the Chair.

**2. East Belfast DPCSP Action Plan for 2013 to 2015**

- i. The DPP Officer explained that DPCSP Action Plans for the period 2013 to 2015 had been requested by the Joint Committee and were to be submitted by 28<sup>th</sup> February. He further explained that guidelines had been prepared by the Joint Committee for the purpose of producing the Action Plan 2013 to 2015, copies of which had previously been circulated to Members.
- ii. Part of the guidance included the provision for the use of an Action Plan template that the Joint Committee had initiated. The DPP Officer explained to Members that the said template had been populated with details of the agreed East Belfast DPCSP Action Plan for 2013 to 2014, copies of which had previously been circulated to Members. He further explained that the East Belfast DPCSP was now required to make provision for the production of an Action Plan for the period 2013 to 2015 based on the guidelines from the Joint Committee.
- iii. The Vice Chair suggested that the East Belfast DPCSP Action Plan for 2013-2015 be taken forward by a planning session of the full Partnership.
- iv. The DPP Officer highlighted that 28<sup>th</sup> February was the deadline for the plans to be submitted. The full East Belfast DPCSP would be meeting on 27<sup>th</sup> March and the

final plan could be agreed then, however, there was an onus to complete the Action Plans by the end of the financial year.

- v. A Member proposed employing a facilitator to ensure the Action Plan was completed. After discussion, there was agreement among the Members to employ a facilitator.
- vi. After further discussion Members agreed to hold a planning session on Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> March at 9.00am in the Skainos Centre on the Newtownards Road, Belfast.

### **3. Public Event**

- vii. The DPP Officer gave Members a security overview of the public event due to take place in the Park Avenue Hotel including the agenda, running order and how questions from the public would be addressed with question cards.
- viii. The DPP Officer highlighted that Small Grants recipients had been invited to the event and could contribute to the discussions.
- ix. The Vice Chair explained that a news crew would be in attendance and it would be a decision for the Members to allow them to film proceedings. After discussion it was agreed by Members that the news crew could film Members and the public arriving but that they would not be permitted to film during the public event.
- x. The Vice Chair also suggested that the use of audio visual equipment or the taking of photographs by members of the public during the public event should not be permitted.
- xi. Members agreed to this format and the Vice Chair stated that he would make an announcement to this effect prior to the commencement of the event.