

Minutes of the Belfast Policing and Community Safety Partnership

Private Meeting

Lavery Room, City Hall
Monday, 11th March, 2013

Political Members	Independent Members
Councillor Jim McVeigh (Chair)	John MacVicar (Vice Chair)
Councillor Janice Austin	Valerie Allen
Alderman Tom Ekin	Claire Canavan
Councillor Matt Garrett	Liz Groves
Councillor Claire Hanna	Harry Maguire
Councillor Colin Keenan	Frank Mulhern
Councillor Gareth McKee	Mark Vinton
Alderman Jim Rodgers	
Councillor Guy Spence	
Statutory Designated Bodies	
Superintendent B. Gray, PSNI	Eithne McIlroy, PBNI
Chief Inspector G. Moran, PSNI	Patricia Muldoon, YJA
Stephen Graham, NIHE	Trevor Murphy, BELB
Alan Hamill, NIFRS	
Staff Present	Apologies
Eve Bremner, Safer City Manager	Eva Grosman
Lorna Somers, DPP Manager	Chief Superintendent George Clarke, PSNI
Katharine McCrum, Partnership Support Officer	Chief Superintendent Alan McCrum, PSNI
	Alan Wardle

1. Routine Matters and Matters Arising

- i. The Chair welcomed Members to the meeting and noted the apologies provided.

2. Declarations of Interest

- i. No declarations of interest were recorded.

3. Minutes

- i. The minutes of the Belfast PCSP meeting held on 28th February were taken as read and agreed as correct.

4. Nomination of a PCSP Vice Chair

- i. The current Vice Chair, Mr MacVicar, advised Members that Mr Mulhern had been nominated and unanimously elected as the Vice Chair for the period of 1st April, 2013 to 31st March, 2014.

5. Formal Designation of Statutory Bodies

- i. The DPP Manager advised Members that the draft Policing and Community Safety Partnerships (Designated Organisations) Order (Northern Ireland) 2013 had been approved by the Northern Ireland Assembly on 18th February, therefore the formal designation of statutory organisations was now a legislative requirement.
- ii. As the Health and Social Care Trust was the only organisation not currently invited to attend Belfast PCSP Meetings, Members agreed to write to the Trust to ask for a nominated representative.
- iii. Following discussion regarding the roles of designated bodies, Ms. McIlroy confirmed that she had recently received guidance from the Joint Committee and training was to be arranged for partners in the months ahead.

6. Youth Event Update

- i. Ms. Muldoon, Youth Justice Agency, updated Members on the progress of the working group tasked with organising the PCSP youth event.
- ii. Members were advised that the City Hall had been chosen as the venue for the event which would take place in October, 2013 and a questionnaire was to be developed, for completion in April 2013, to ask young people what they would like to see at such an event.
- iii. Members were asked to engage with their contacts and facilitate a discussion with young people using this questionnaire as well as consider possible inspirational speakers for the event.
- iv. Members discussed various possibilities for the event such as including PCSP Youth Awards winners, young people who had previously been involved in crime, arts activities and the use of Smart Phone applications.
- v. Members were asked to contact the PCSP Office with any additional suggestions.

7. DPCSP/PCSP Budget

- i. The DPP Manager advised Members that the 'Design Out Crime' Training which had been funded by the PCSP was now to cost considerably less than anticipated, dropping from £45,000 to approximately £20,000. She also highlighted an expected under spend across DPCSP budgets due to both Small Grants and Open Call funding being under spent.
- ii. Members were therefore asked to consider how they wished to deal with resulting under spend, whilst bearing in mind that just two weeks remained before the end of the financial year and that delegated authority may need to be given to the Chair and Vice Chair to enable decisions to be made.
- iii. Following lengthy discussion, Members agreed to:
 - Support and expand the 'Where is your child tonight?' campaign currently being developed by the South and West DPCSPs,

- Purchase safety and anti-burglary equipment to enhance the Good Morning Services, such as door and window alarms,
 - Purchase youth friendly promotional items, and
 - Provide delegated authority to the DPP Manager to take these items forward in order of priority, as listed above.
- iv. Chief Inspector Moran requested that Members consider allocating £2,000 towards ID Scan Software which the PSNI were hoping to pilot in two bars within South Belfast however Members declined this request due to human rights concerns.

8. Date of Next Meeting

- i. The DPP Manager advised Members that the next meeting of the PCSP would be a Panning Session facilitated by Copius Consulting at 5.45pm on Wednesday, 13th March in the Lavery Room.
- ii. Members were further advised that an additional meeting would be required at 5pm prior to the Joint Briefing session at 6pm on Thursday, 28th March to allow the Action Plan to be approved.