

**Minutes of South Belfast District Policing and Community
Safety Partnership
Wednesday, 27th November 2013, 6.00pm
Agape Centre, Belfast**

Political Members	Independent Members
Cllr. Deirdre Hargey (Chair) Cllr. Kate Mullan	Ms. Paula Bradshaw (Vice Chair) Mr. Trevor Greer Ms. Debbie Hammill Mr. Niall Kelly
Statutory Designated Bodies	
Chief Inspector Gaby Moran, PSNI Yvonne Adair, YJA Anita Duff, BELB	Gary Ballantyne, NIHE Christine Hunter, PBNI Yvonne McKnight, BHSCCT
Staff Present	Apologies
Denise Smith, Safer City Coordinator Keith Addy, Project Officer Saranne Gallagher, Partnership Support Officer Elaine McWilliams, ASB Officer	Ald. Ruth Patterson Ald. Tom Ekin Cllr. Martin O'Mulleoir Ms Nuala Toman

1. Welcome & Routine Matters

- i. The Chair welcomed the Members to the Private Meeting of the South Belfast DPCSP.
- ii. Apologies were noted for Alderman Ruth Patterson, Alderman Tom Ekin, Cllr. Martin O'Mulleoir and Ms Nuala Toman.

2. Declarations of Interest

- i. No declarations of interest were declared.

3. South Belfast DPCSP Minutes

- i. The Minutes of the South Belfast DPCSP meeting held on 29th October, copies of which were previously circulated, were taken as read and correct.
- ii. A Member suggested that Belfast City Centre Management be invited to join the South Belfast DPCSP.
- iii. The Chair informed Members that the Partnership had the power to designate additional Members on to the DPCSP.
- iv. A Member further commented that this could have been an opportunity to allow relationships with Belfast City Centre Management to be further developed, specifically in relation to the focused work area.
- v. The Chair suggested that this area could be further discussed at the South Belfast DPCSP Away Day on Friday 6 December.

- vi. The Safer City Coordinator updated Members on actions arising from the previous South Belfast DPCSP Meeting.
- vii. The Safer City Coordinator informed Members that discussions had been held with Annadale and Hayward representatives and further information had to be obtained from Peace III to ensure no financial duplication.
- viii. The Safer City Coordinator informed Members that in order to ensure continued engagement, a second meeting date had been agreed for the next Holyland PACT. Members were informed that an invitation to attend the meeting will be circulated in the near future.
- ix. The Safer City Coordinator reminded Members that an Away Day had been scheduled for Friday 6th December, at Belfast Castle from 10.00am.

4. Mapping Exercise and Roundtable Discussions

- i. The Safer City Coordinator provided Members with an update regarding the Mapping Exercise and Roundtable Discussions.
- ii. She informed Members that the Roundtable Discussions had taken place on 20th November and discussions had taken place around key themes and gaps within the South Belfast community.
- iii. The Safer City Coordinator also informed Members that suggestions had been provided from those in attendance regarding recommendations on how South Belfast DPCSP can address the gaps.
- iv. The Safer City Coordinator informed Members that a report had been collated following the Mapping Exercise and Roundtable Discussions which would be forwarded to all Members for review and comment in advance of the Away Day on the 6th December.
- v. The Chair thanked staff for the organisation of the Away Day.

5. Get Home Safe Campaign

- i. The Safer City Coordinator provided an update to Members regarding the Get Home Safe Campaign.
- ii. The Safer City Coordinator recommended that Members of South Belfast DPCSP support the Get Home Safe Christmas Campaign initiative.

- iii. A Member asked if the Campaign would focus solely on City Centre. The ASB Officer commented that the Campaign could focus in areas further than the City Centre as it would be in partnership with other DPCSP's.
- iv. Members agreed that the Campaign could be positive and therefore agreed to support the initiative.

6. Belfast PCSP Drugs Campaign

- i. The Safer City Coordinator provided Members with an update on the Belfast PCSP Drugs Campaign.
- ii. The Safer City Coordinator informed Members that the Belfast PCSP had made an application for funding from Assets Recovery Community Scheme to launch a Northern Ireland wide drugs campaign to address the ongoing issues of drugs within local communities. The Safer City Coordinator informed Members that the application for funding had been unsuccessful.
- iii. Members were disappointed that the funding application had not been supported by DOJ.
- iv. The Safer City Coordinator informed Members that the Belfast PCSP could self fund the campaign at a lower level with the direct financial support from each of the DPCSP's.
- v. The Safer City Coordinator provided Members with an overview of what resources involved and also the timeframe for the Campaign.
- vi. The Safer City Coordinator suggested that the South Belfast DPCSP support the Campaign.
- vii. Members agreed to make a contribution of £10,000 towards the Campaign.

7. Consultation for South Belfast Policing Plan

- i. The Safer City Coordinator informed Members that there had been a need to consult with the local community within South Belfast regarding the local Policing Plan and subsequently a survey had been drafted for completion by local community representatives that could feed directly in to the Policing Plan.
- ii. Members agreed that local feed back for this is very important and for the survey to be circulated to as many people in South Belfast as possible.
- iii. Members agreed to the survey but requested a few amendments to be made to the survey before circulation.

8. Progress Report on the 2013/14 DPCSP Action Plan/Budget

- i. The Safer City Coordinator updated Members on the South DPCSP Action Plan and budget spend to date.
- ii. The Safer City Coordinator commented that in relation to the focused area work, Belfast City Centre Management had discussed the delivery of a youth engagement project.
- iii. Members agreed to the consultation and the provision of financial support but requested for confirmation to be sought to ensure no duplication of events that are being facilitated by Belfast City Council.
- iv. The Safer City Coordinator informed Members that they would receive a full report following the consultation at a future DPCSP Meeting.
- v. The Safer City Coordinator provided Members with an update on the Inner South Belfast Neighbourhood Partnership and also South West Belfast Neighbourhood Partnership. Members were informed that meetings had been facilitated with both groups and reports will be provided on project delivery at future DPCSP Meetings.
- vi. The Safer City Coordinator informed Members that the Small Grants Programme had reopened for applications and further information is available on Belfast City Council Website.
- vii. Members thought it had been difficult to find information on the Small Grants Programme on the website and requested for the link to the page to be forwarded to all Members for circulation.
- viii. The Safer City Coordinator updated Members regarding the ongoing joint enforcement.
- ix. The Safer City Coordinator also provided Members with an update regarding the Sub Group for Violent Crime/Gender Based Crime. Members were informed that further meetings had been scheduled for the New Year and that the information had been well received specifically by the Student Union.
- x. The Safer City Coordinator also informed Members that applications for the Policing Committee need to be received by 7th December and confirmed the remaining available budget.
- xi. A Member asked following the Roundtable Discussions, had any groups identified any potential projects that the South Belfast DPCSP could support. The Safer City Coordinator confirmed that two groups had identified projects and would be forwarding proposals for consideration by Members.
- xii. Members requested that an updated Action Plan to be circulated.

9. Emerging Issues

- i. The Safer City Coordinator informed Members that the Belfast PCSP/North Belfast DPCSP had been in discussions with the Policing Board regarding the facilitation of a public disorder meeting.
- ii. The Safer City Coordinator informed Members that the Policing Board recommended a series of targeted consultations to take place rather than a public meeting on public disorder.
- iii. The Safer City Coordinator commented that the Belfast PCSP/North Belfast DPCSP had requested that two representatives from each DPCSP to attend a working group to discuss the best way forward regarding this issue.
- iv. Cllr Deirdre Hargey, Cllr Kate Mullan, Trevor Greer and Debbie Hamill agreed to attend the working group on behalf of South Belfast DPCSP.

10. Date of Next Meeting

- i. Members noted the date of the next DPCSP meeting, 17th December.