

Clackmannanshire Community Safety Partnership

Minute of Meeting held on 10 March 2010

Present: Supt. Alan Douglas (Chair)
Christine MacLean, Manager, Strategic Policy
Gordon Wilson, Central Scotland Police
Mary Fox, Cultural & Community Services
Duggie Ralph, ASB Co-ordinator
Kenny Rogers, Central Scotland Fire & Rescue Service
Gregor Dobbie, Central Scotland Fire & Rescue Service
Aileen Schofield, NHS Forth Valley
Jim Burke, Senior Manager, Child Care
Marjorie MacFarlane, Sports Development Manager
Jennifer Queripel, Service Manager, Housing

Apologies: Gail Cook, Domestic Abuse Co-ordinator
Stephen Bell, Development & Environment Services
Lesley Baillie, Community Planning Policy Officer
Alan Newbigging, Youth Council
Ron Carthy (represented by Mary Fox)
Betsy Twelves Dickson (represented by Aileen Schofield)
Roger Blyth, Community Representative

In attendance: Cherie Jarvie, Team Leader, Research & Information
Francine Orr, Policy Officer, Human Resources
Rebecca McVeigh, CSP Analyst

1.0 Welcome

1.1 Supt. Douglas introduced himself to the Partnership

2.0 OASIS Presentation

2.1 Presentation was cancelled but a Forth Valley GIS representative will be invited to the next meeting.

3.0 Minute of meeting held on 25 November 2009

3.1 The minute was accepted as a correct record.

Action

- 3.2 Matters arising:
- 3.2.1 *Item 3.3: National ASB Review:* Christine noted that the Council is currently in the process of a major restructuring and community safety will be integrated into one of the new services. It is hoped that the Council will be in a position shortly to advise how services will support the work of the partnership.
- 3.2.2 *Item 6.2: Cashback update:* Gordon noted that a Cashback meeting is arranged for 11 March. Gordon will continue to work on this. Marjorie noted that work is going ahead with the national cashback programme.
- 3.2.3 *Item 7.1: Scottish Community Fire Safety Study:* Kenny noted that Rebecca has provided an analysis which will be very helpful in allowing the Fire Service to address the issues highlighted.
- 3.3.3 *Item 10.1: Clacks 1000:* Cherie advised that the draft for the 7th survey is now ready for circulation.

4.0 Minutes of Executive Group held on 18 January 2010 - Matters arising

- 4.1 *Item 3.1:* It was noted that the Executive Group suggested that the Vice-Chair should be held by the Council Head of Service responsible for Community Safety as per the new Council structure.
- 4.2 *Item 8.1: Violence Reduction Unit:* Actions still to be taken forward.

Supt. Douglas/
Christine

5.0 Alliance update

- 5.1 *Fairer Scotland (FS):* Christine noted that a special meeting of the Alliance was held on 22nd February primarily to make decisions on FS funding. The FS programme in Clackmannanshire was recently evaluated by ODS Consultancy. The Alliance was asked to contact Christine if they wish to view the ODS report.
- 5.2 *Future Jobs Fund:* Clackmannanshire has secured a bid for 77 jobs, focusing on 18-24 year olds. The Economic Development Partnership Team are taking this programme forward and further information can be obtained from members of this PT.
- 5.3 *Community Plan Review:* An early draft of a new community plan has been circulated asking people for comments. An Alliance leaders' event will be held late April to look at priority areas for action for the Alliance.

6.0 CSP Analyst

- 6.1 Rebecca spoke of her new role. She advised that she has been tasked with looking at statistics for the cause of fires across Clackmannanshire. Also looking at compiling stats for community wardens. Rebecca will be attending a 4 week analyst course run by Central Scotland Police. She will be based 4 days at Alloa Police Station and 1 day at Lime Tree.
- 6.2 Supt. Douglas noted that Rebecca will be working with other analysts at Police Headquarters which will develop her skills and ensure she is well placed to support the Partnership. Christine reinforced that there is a clear

agreement from the Council that Rebecca has access to the Council's IT systems. It was acknowledged that the Partnership's strategic assessment will be reviewed later this year and Rebecca will play a key role in this process.

7.0 ASB Operational Group - Update

7.1 As Chair of the Operational Group, Duggie provided an update on its work, noting that membership is fluid depending upon the priorities. A good example of joint delivery is working with Fire Services in having a particular successful bonfire night. Duggie noted a number of other examples of multi-agency work, work with Registered Social Landlords and the use of the OASIS system.

7.2 The ASB Operational Group awaits clarity on what the Wardens' service will be as at 31st March and how the Council's new structure will impact on community safety services.

8.0 Youth Justice Update

8.1 Jim Burke referred to the report circulated which updates the Partnership on the development of Youth Justice. At the last meeting he circulated a document 'Getting it Right for Young People who Offend, a Tiered Approach to Juvenile Offending' and had asked for comments. He has received some helpful comments but would appreciate further comments or suggested amendments.

8.2 The Youth Strategy Justice Group is keen to include the Community Safety Partnership in their Group and Jim invited representatives to take part. Supt. Douglas noted that Youth Justice has an impact on community safety and membership of the Group will be a logical tie to keep sighted on work going on in that area. The CSP agreed to support the work of the Youth Justice Group.

8.3 Jim asked partnership agencies to take the information back to their respective agencies to look at ways of becoming involved in the process.

8.4 The CSP were asked to give responses by 10 April 2010.

All

9.0 2009/11 Programme

9.1 *Monitoring report - projects:* Cherie tabled a monitoring report. The report is for members to note. It was agreed that there needs to be a mechanism put in place to gather responses more timeously in order that the CSP members can digest the information prior to the meeting.

Cherie

9.2 *Cash for Communities Fund:*

The CSP agreed to support a further Communities Grants Scheme for 2010/11 and to launch the scheme in the spring.

CSP Exec

The CSP was also asked to note the benefits to partners of the small grants scheme to date and the learning emerging from it. I was also confirmed that projects are also asked to submit a report to show how the funding has

benefitted their Group.

9.3 *16 Days of Action update:*

Francine spoke to the debrief report submitted on the recent 16 Days of Action campaign which was held from 25 November to 10 December 2009. The CSP noted the events which took place to raise awareness of issues around violence against women.

A regular newsletter is distributed and the Partnership were asked to contact Francine if they want a copy - forr@clacks.gov.uk

Francine drew attention to the topic of the name of campaign which has raised some issues. In the letter copied to the Partnership, it is noted that some local partnerships have implied that they will not continue to support the campaign if there is no reference to children within the main title. Francine noted the importance of retaining the support and commitment of all partners but pointed out that the idea behind the title '16 Days of Action' is that the campaign will raise awareness to the extent that everyone will know what the campaign signifies. There was general agreement that the CSP supported the **16 Days of Action** title and members were asked to forward any further comments to Francine.

9.4 *Internet Safety*

Christine highlighted that this item continues to be on the CSP agenda as the work is still seen to be important. Members of the Partnership attended an internet seminar in November which led to an internet safety working group being formed. There is support across Education services to see this as a priority with the aims of the group being to bring about changes to ensure protective measures are in place within schools and educational establishments and extend that out to the community. HMIE has highlighted that work being done in Clackmannanshire is positive. The aim is to approve an action plan to take forward. Supt. Douglas advised that the draft action plan will be circulated for comments in due course.

Supt Douglas
/ Christine

9.5 Budget/programme report

Christine spoke to the paper presented and asked the CSP to note the spend this financial year. The paper notes the 5 priorities within the CSP strategy:

- Fear of crime
- Crime & asb
- Alcohol & substance misuse
- Opportunities for young people
- Safety

Two other issues have emerged that require joint work to improve outcomes:

- Internet safety
- Re-offending levels in Clackmannanshire

Jennifer Q raised some concerns about what we are trying to achieve through the programme and how it links to the action plan. Jim B agreed with Jennifer saying that further discussion should take place.

CSP Exec

Marjorie noted that she would find it useful to liaise with Rebecca in terms of identifying gaps. Marjorie then advised that as a result of the summer programme ZEST there are now 70 young people taking part in the Leadership Programme.

Christine asked the Partnership to study the paper with a view to providing any comments on the balance of funding for 2010/11.

All

10.0 A.O.C.B.

10.1 Mary Fox circulated copies of a youth consultation for information.

10.2 Christine highlighted that a Children First conference, focusing on alcohol issues, is taking place on 22nd March in Edinburgh.