

## **COMMUNITY SAFETY BOARD**

**4 MARCH 2016**

### **PRESENT:**

#### **Responsible Authority Members/Representative**

Cllr Gary Haley (Chair)	-	Cabinet Office, Gateshead Council
Steve Anderson	-	Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue
Barrie Joyce	-	Northumbria Police
Karin O'Neil	-	NPS
Liz Hogg	-	Gateshead Magistrates Court
Mary Burns	-	Newcastle Gateshead CCG

#### **Partners/Officers**

Mark Warcup	-	Chair, Domestic Homicide Review
Julie Crichton	-	Safer Communities
Gemma Thompson	-	Safer Communities
Neil Bouch	-	The Gateshead Housing Company
Joy Evans	-	Public Health
Adam Lindridge	-	Safer Communities
Helen Conway	-	Corporate Services and Governance

### **1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Ritchie Jackson, Steve Hails, Dave Escott, Martyn Strike, Val Hall, Susan Butler, Alice Wiseman, Chris Piercy and Esther Ward.

### **2. MINUTES**

The minutes of the last meeting held on 30 October 2015 were agreed as a correct record.

### **3. MATTERS ARISING**

There were no matters arising.

### **4. CSB ACTION LOG - OUTSTANDING ACTIONS**

Adam Lindridge reported that all outstanding actions had now been completed and he is in the process of setting up a time-limited Task and Finish Group to progress Communications and Engagement work and will email partners for nominations from their respective service.

## 5. PARTNER UPDATES

**Northumbria Police** - the Board received an update of the policing summary for January / February 2016 for Gateshead Central, Gateshead East, Gateshead South and Inner and Outer West.

**Public Health** - the Board received an update on the drug and alcohol treatment service activity and policy updates. Members of the Board were invited the official opening of the new Gateshead Evolve premises on 23 March 2016, an official invitation will follow separately.

**The Gateshead Housing Company** - the Board received an update on housing issues including updates on: recent Government announcements and the impact of Council housing, savings proposals, reallocation of housing functions and partnership activity.

**Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Service Update** - the Board received an update on recent activity within the borough from the Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Service.

**Northumbria CRC Update** - the Board received an update from the CRC, and in particular that the CRC will remain in their Gateshead premises until 30 June 2016.

**Families Gateshead Update - Phase 2** - the Board received an update on the progress to date on phase 2 of the national Troubled Families Programme and performance data.

**Youth Offending Team (YOT) Performance Quarter 3 (2015/2016)** - the Board received the performance report for quarter 3, in line with the reports provided to the Youth Justice Board on a quarterly basis.

RESOLVED -        i)        that the information be noted  
                         ii)        that further updates will be provided to all future  
   meetings of the Board

## 6. CRIME, CONFIDENCE AND ASB SUB GROUP

Board members received an update on the work of the ASB, Crime and Confidence Sub-Group. The Sub-Group is responsible for developing proactive, intelligence led approaches to reducing crime and ASB in Gateshead in order to improve residents' confidence and quality of life. The following areas of work were identified:-

- Safer Neighbourhoods Review
- Northumbria PCC - Supporting Victims Fund 2016-17
- Public Space Protection Order in Bensham
- Operation Forager

- Hate Crime Strategy
- Problem Solving Training
- Youth ASB and Disorder
- Task and Finish Groups

RESOLVED -

- i) that the information be noted
- ii) that further updates be provided to future meetings of the Board

## 7. SUBSTANCE MISUSE SUB-GROUP UPDATE

The Board received an update on the work of the Substance Misuse Sub Group.

The following areas of work were reported:-

- Terms of reference of the sub-group
- Substance Misuse Strategy Development
- Drug Related Deaths 2015
- Novel Psychoactive Substances (NPS)
- Drugs Management Protocol
- Take Home Naloxone, and
- Public Health England National Alcohol Licensing Project

The Board were advised that a separate report on Drug Related Deaths will be brought to a future meeting of the Board.

RESOLVED -

- i) that the information be noted
- ii) that further updates be provided to future meetings of the Board

## 8. DOMESTIC ABUSE EXECUTIVE FORUM GROUP UPDATE

The Board received an update on the work of the Domestic Abuse Executive Forum Group. The following areas of work were reported:-

- General overview of the Forum
- Multi Agency Tasking and Co-ordination (MATAC)
- Domestic Violence Statistics
- Domestic Violence Champions
- White Ribbon Event 2015
- Multi Agency Training on Domestic Abuse
- Coercive Control Guidance
- Stranger Stalking Consultation
- Future Developments

RESOLVED -

- i) that the information be noted
- ii) that further updates will be provided to future meetings of the Board

## **9. DOMESTIC HOMICIDE REVIEW**

The Board were provided with a comprehensive update in relation to the Domestic Homicide Review of Adult B that has recently been completed in Gateshead and seeks necessary approvals from the CSB to submit the Overview Report and supporting documents to the Home Office Quality Assurance Panel.

The final Overview Report has been completed, which brings together and draws overall conclusions from the information and analysis contained within the Individual Management Reviews. It sets out partner involvement with the victim and perpetrator and identifies a range of national, local and individual recommendations.

The DHR Panel concluded that the homicide could not have been predicted or prevented because it was not known that the couple were or had an intimate relationship - and even if agencies had known, the perpetrator would have most likely have been considered of low-risk violence to others in a domestic setting. The victim was found to be a repeat victim of domestic abuse and the MARAC procedures had all been used effectively.

The full DHR Overview Report and supporting documents were also provided to Board members for information.

Upon receiving the Overview Report and supporting documents in relation to a DHR, the Community Safety Board is required to:

- agree the content of the Overview Report and Executive Summary for publication, ensuring that it is fully anonymised (apart from including the names of the Review Panel Chair and members);
- make arrangements to provide feedback to staff, family members and the media, as appropriate;
- endorse the Overview Report and supporting documents;
- submit a copy of the Overview Report and supporting documents to the Home Office Quality Assurance Panel for approval, and
- ensure the documents are not published until clearance has been received from the Home Office Quality Assurance Panel.

Karin O'Neill and Mark Warcup agreed to meet up separately outside of the Board and make some minor amendments to the document prior to submission to the DHR Home Office Quality Assurance Panel.

The Board were also updated the work is still ongoing in relation to the DHR into Adult C and as soon as the information has been received an update will be given to the Board.

RESOLVED -        i)        that the information be noted  
                         ii)        that the submission of the report to the next Home

- iii) Office Quality Assurance Panel be agreed that further updates be provided to a future meeting of the Board in relation to the progress made by partners against the local recommendations

## **10. CRIME TREND PROJECTIONS - IQANTA**

The Board received an overview of the latest crime and disorder performance obtained from iQuanta to support the Strategic Assessment process and to also assist in the preparation of the draft strategic priorities for the partnership to consider in 2016/17. iQuanta is a Home Office analysis reporting tool that provides up-to-date data and information on a range of Policing and Community safety performance issues. Five charts have been used to help compare the statistics: volume of crime, most similar family groups, Northumbria average, 12 month projections and significant change. The Board identified that crime, burglary dwelling, violence against the person and criminal damage should be focused on for 2016/17 as part of the draft Partnership Plan.

- RESOLVED -
- i) that the information be noted
  - ii) that further updates be provided to a future meeting of the Board

## **11. PARTNERSHIP STRATEGIC ASSESSMENT**

The Board received a presentation on the Strategic Assessment that has been produced on behalf of the Partnership. This includes updates on the latest performance, key findings and horizon scanning sections of the Assessment.

The draft strategic themes identified as part of the Strategic Assessment for 2016/17 are:

- Preventing Crime, Re-offending and ASB to Reduce Demand on Services
- Protect and Support Vulnerable Victims and Persons
- Addressing Key and Emerging Threats

The Community Safety Board is starting the statutory consultation phase linked with the Strategic Assessment and the draft Partnership Plan will be presented to the Board in April 2016.

A draft Performance Framework was presented to the Board linked with the draft strategic themes identified by the Assessment. It is proposed that, where possible, each sub-group will be allocated relevant performance indicators and will be expected to report to the Board, on a quarterly basis.

- RESOLVED -
- i) that the information be noted
  - ii) draft Partnership Plan to be submitted to next Board
  - iii) that each sub-group will be allocated relevant

- iv) performance indicators to report to the Board on a quarterly basis
- v) that further reports will be brought to future meetings of the Board

## **12. GATESHEAD COUNCIL - DOMESTIC ABUSE REVIEW**

The Board were advised that Alison Elliott is leading on a review of Domestic Abuse across all services within Gateshead Council – and follows on from the Council's Overview and Scrutiny Committee Review in 2012/13. A single referral pathway is being developed with workshops currently being arranged and set up for Council services to attend. Invitations will be extended to partners in due course

- RESOLVED -
- i) that the information be noted
  - ii) that further reports will be brought to future meetings of the Board

## **13. MULTI AGENCY SAFEGUARDING HUB (MASH)**

The Board received a report which provided a comprehensive update in relation to Multi Agency Safeguarding Huh (MASH) that has been established by Gateshead Council in collaboration with a range of partner agencies to support and protect vulnerable adults within the Borough. The report also included an update in relation to the evaluation undertaken by Newcastle University as well as a summary around Operation Encompass.

RESOLVED - that the information be noted.

## **14. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

There were no items of any other business raised.

## **15 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on **Friday 22 April 2016 at 10.00 am** at Gateshead Civic Centre.