

minutes

Meeting **COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE**

Date **Tuesday 29 April 2014 at 10.30am**

membership

Persons absent are marked with 'A'

COUNCILLORS

Glynn Gilfoyle (Chairman)
Alice Grice (Vice-Chairman)

Chris Barnfather
Ian Campbell
John Clarke
Bruce Laughton

Keith Longdon - A
Stuart Wallace - A
John Wilmott

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Rachel Adams	- Adult Social Care, Health & Public Protection
Carl Bilbey	- Policy, Planning & Corporate Services
Rob Fisher	- Adult Social Care, Health & Public Protection
Keith Ford	- Policy, Planning & Corporate Services
Sarah Gyles	- Adult Social Care, Health and Public Protection
Sarah Houlton	- Adult Social Care, Health & Public Protection
Paul McKay	- Adult Social Care, Health and Public Protection

Mark Walker	- Adult Social Care, Health & Public Protection
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MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the last meeting held on 28 January 2014 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Longdon (medical / illness) and Councillor Wallace (urgent domestic business).

DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS BY MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

Councillor Laughton declared a private and non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 14 – Legislative Basis of Planning for Major Flood as the Chair of Southwell Flood Forum and a representative on the Trent Regional Flood Forum, which did not preclude him from speaking or voting on that item.

Councillor Gilfoyle declared a private and non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 6 – Community Safety Budget as a volunteer on Crime-stoppers, which did not preclude him from speaking or voting on that item.

During agenda item 9 – Food & Feed Law Enforcement Service Plan 2014/15, Councillor Laughton declared a private interest as the owner of a food outlet, which did not preclude him from speaking or voting on that item.

MERGER OF COMMUNITY SAFETY AND TRADING STANDARDS TEAMS

Mark Walker, Group Manager – Trading Standards, introduced the report which sought approval for the merger of the Community Safety and Trading Standards teams.

RESOLVED 2014/014

That the merger of Community Safety with Trading Standards, as outlined in the Outline Business Case agreed by Full Council on 27 February 2014 and as detailed in the Committee report, be approved.

D2N2 LOCAL ENTERPRISE PARTNERSHIP BETTER BUSINESS FOR ALL PROGRAMME

Mark Walker, Group Manager – Trading Standards, introduced the report which sought approval to support the D2N2 Local Enterprise Partnership's Better Business for All Programme.

RESOLVED 2014/015

- 1) That approval be given to sign the Partnership Charter and Pledge of Support for the D2N2 Local Enterprise Partnership Better Business for All Programme.
- 2) That a report be submitted to the Committee in November 2014 to update Members on progress with the Programme.

COMMUNITY SAFETY BUDGET

Sarah Houlton, Trading Standards Manager, introduced the report which updated Members on Community Safety Budget expenditure in 2013/14 and sought approval for payments from the 2014/15 Budget.

During discussions, Members requested clarification of:-

- what priorities the £140,000 contribution to the Safer Nottinghamshire Board would fund;

- the remaining budget available for initiatives; and
- current Hate Crime statistics.

RESOLVED 2014/016

- 1) That the final spend of £18,300 from the Community Safety Budget for 2013/14 be noted.
- 2) That the proposed spending of £188,800 from the initiatives element of the Community Safety Budget for 2014/15 be approved.

TRANSFORMING REHABILITATION: UPDATE ON PROGRESS

Sarah Houlton, Trading Standards Manager, introduced the report which updated Members on the potential impact of the changes to services for offenders under the Government's 'Transforming Rehabilitation' policy.

RESOLVED 2014/017

That the latest progress in the implementation of the Transforming Rehabilitation Programme be noted.

DOMESTIC AND SEXUAL ABUSE PROGRESS REPORT

Sarah Houlton, Trading Standards Manager, introduced the report which updated Members on recent developments and changes to the strategic planning and commissioning arrangements within the Council.

During discussions, Members requested further clarification of the statistics contained in paragraph 2 of the report as these did not correlate with those statistics presented to the Nottinghamshire Police and Crime Panel on 28 April 2014. Officers agreed to provide written clarification to Members.

RESOLVED 2014/018

That the recent developments and changes to strategic planning and commissioning arrangements relating to domestic and sexual abuse services be noted.

FOOD & FEED LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICE PLAN 2014/15

Mark Walker, Group Manager – Trading Standards, introduced the report which sought approval for the latest version of this Service Plan.

RESOLVED 2014/019

That the Trading Standards Food & Feed Law Enforcement Service Plan for 2014/15 be approved.

UPDATE ON REGULATION OF INVESTIGATORY POWERS ACT (RIPA)

Mark Walker, Group Manager – Trading Standards, introduced the report which updated Members on recent surveillance activity carried out under RIPA. During discussions, Members recognised the need for these powers to be used correctly and proportionately.

RESOLVED 2014/020

That the surveillance activity undertaken by the Trading Standards Service under RIPA since November 2013 be noted.

UPDATE ON KEY TRADING STANDARDS MATTERS

Mark Walker, Group Manager – Trading Standards, introduced the report which provided the Committee with an update on areas of activity within Trading Standards.

During discussions, Members queried whether a statutory notice and a sign would be required for the use of the Environmental Weight Restriction Camera.

RESOLVED 2014/021

That the updates from the previous meeting and the various developments in these areas of work be noted.

POLICY AND STRATEGY FOR SAFETY AT SPORTS GROUNDS

Rob Fisher, Group Manager, Emergency Management and Registration, introduced the report as part of the approval process for the policy and strategy documents covering Safety at Sports Grounds in Nottinghamshire.

RESOLVED 2014/022

That the proposed suite of policy and strategy documents for Safety at Sports Grounds in Nottinghamshire be endorsed and the policy documents be referred to Policy Committee for approval.

UPDATE ON EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND REGISTRATION SERVICES

Rob Fisher, Group Manager, Emergency Management and Registration, introduced the report which updated Members on recent key activities and events.

During discussions, Members requested further details of the number of same sex marriage ceremonies held in Nottinghamshire so far.

Members commended the Emergency Management Team for their work to address flooding in Southwell, including the new warning signage.

RESOLVED 2014/023

That the Emergency Planning Team's response to the recent siege incident in Hucknall, recent planning and training activities and the successful commencement of same sex marriage ceremonies in Nottinghamshire be noted.

LEGISLATIVE BASIS OF PLANNING FOR MAJOR FLOODS

Rob Fisher, Group Manager, Emergency Management and Registration, introduced the report which provided an overview of the legislative basis of planning and preparation for the impact of major flooding in Nottinghamshire.

RESOLVED 2014/024

- 1) That the contents of the report, particularly the variety of legislative instruments that govern flood risk management and planning for the response to flooding in their area, be noted;
- 2) That the Emergency Planning Team brief individual Members on the plans in place for responding to flooding in their areas.

WORK PROGRAMME

RESOLVED 2014/013

That the work programme be noted and updated as discussed.

SHOW RACISM THE RED CARD

The Chair welcomed pupils and teachers from Heymann Primary School, All Hallows Church of England Primary School and Sir Edmund Hillary Primary School.

Sarah Lee, Team Manager, Achievement and Equality Team, gave a presentation about the Show Racism the Red Card schools competition, explaining the background, Nottinghamshire context and national success of this work.

Members commended the pupils for their work and success in the competition.

The Head Teachers from the three schools addressed the Committee and underlined:-

- the benefits, despite other competing academic priorities, of continuing to input into this agenda, through this competition and schemes run by organisations such as the Stephen Lawrence Foundation and Stonewall;
- the importance of such initiatives in providing pupils with a well-rounded education, skills for life and an understanding of humanity and culture;and
- the support received from the Achievement and Equality Team.

The meeting closed at 12.42 pm.

CHAIRMAN

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