

Meeting COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE

Date Tuesday 21 April 2015 at 2.00 pm

membership

Persons absent are marked with 'A'

COUNCILLORS

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

Chris Barnfather
John Clarke
Maureen Dobson
Bruce Laughton

Keith Longdon **A**
Stuart Wallace
John Wilmott

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Councillor Pauline Allan

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Rob Fisher
Sarah Houlton
Lorinda Liversidge
Paul McKay
Mark Walker

} Adult Social Care, Health & Public Protection

Steve Edwards

Children, Families & Cultural Services

Keith Ford
Sally Gill
Cathy Harvey

} Policy, Planning and Corporate Services

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the last meeting held on 24 February 2015 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Keith Longdon.

DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS BY MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

Councillor Laughton declared a private non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 9 – Update on Emergency Planning and Registration and Celebratory

Services as the owner of a registered wedding venue, which did not preclude him from speaking or voting on that item.

Councillor Dobson declared a private non-pecuniary interest in Agenda Item 6 – Community Safety Budget Update – Request for Funding, as a County Council representative on the Partnership Plus committee in Newark, which did not preclude her from speaking or voting on that item.

ORDER OF AGENDA

In order to better facilitate the business of the Committee, the Chairman agreed that the order of the agenda could be amended to enable agenda item 6 – Community Safety Budget Update – Request for Funding and agenda item 10 – Youth Crime Prevention Advisory Group to be taken before and after agenda item 4 respectively.

COMMUNITY SAFETY BUDGET UPDATE – REQUEST FOR FUNDING

Sarah Houlton, Team Manager, Trading Standards & Community Safety introduced the report which sought funding in 2015/16 for a number of initiatives.

RESOLVED 2015/022

That the following contributions be made from the Community Safety Initiatives Budget for 2015/16:-

- a. Safer Nottinghamshire Board (£140,000)
- b. Best Bar None Project (£15,000)
- c. Hate Crime Campaign (£5,000)

NATIONAL CRIMEBEAT AWARDS

Leah Sareen, Community Safety Officer, introduced this agenda item which highlighted the success of the ongoing Dragon's Den style competitions held with schools around specific crime prevention issues. This project was runner up in the National Youth Crimebeat Awards.

Students from the Holgate Academy, Sutton Academy and Quarrydale Academy attended the meeting and gave presentations explaining the work they had undertaken as part of their entries.

Members commended the work of the students and their plans to continue their work beyond the competition itself.

RESOLVED 2015/023

That the contents of the presentation be noted.

YOUTH CRIME PREVENTION ADVISORY GROUP

Leah Sareen, Community Safety Officer, introduced the report which gave an overview of the work undertaken by this group across Nottinghamshire and Nottingham City.

RESOLVED 2015/024

That the various developments in the areas of work contained within this report be noted.

GYPSY & TRAVELLER LIAISON POST

Lorinda Liversidge, Gypsy & Traveller Liaison Officer, gave a presentation giving further information about Gypsies and Travellers (including details of estimated populations and commercial sites in the County) and her role working with these groups.

RESOLVED 2015/025

That the contents of the presentation be noted.

IMPLEMENTING THE WORKING WITH COMMUNITIES FRAMEWORK

Sally Gill, Group Manager, Planning, introduced the report which provided an update on the work of the Community and Voluntary Sector Team.

RESOLVED 2015/026

That the work undertaken by the Community and Voluntary Sector Team, including projects to support community cohesion, be noted.

UPDATE ON TEMPORARY POSTS IN THE REGISTRATION SERVICE

Rob Fisher, Group Manager, Emergency Management and Registration Services, introduced the report which sought approval to establish posts on a permanent basis.

RESOLVED 2015/027

That 4 FTE Registrar posts, Grade 4 positions, SCP 19-23 (£18,376 to £20,849 with authorised car user status) be established on a permanent basis to replace the current temporary posts with effect from 1 May 2015.

UPDATE ON EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND REGISTRATION SERVICES

Rob Fisher, Group Manager, Emergency Management and Registration Services, introduced the report which updated Members on key activities and events. The following updates to the report were highlighted to the Committee:-

- Wendy Harnan-Kajzer, Emergency Planning Manager had been elected Chairman of the National Joint Chairs Group for safety of sports grounds.
- further to paragraphs 16-17 of the report, the World Cerebral Palsy Games bowls event scheduled to take place at the Richard Herrod Leisure Centre in Gedling had now been relocated to the City.

Members formally recorded their congratulations to Wendy Harnan-Kajzer on her appointment and the recognition which this offered.

Members also commended the support of Salvation Army volunteers during the recent serious fire at the student residences in Player Street, Nottingham.

RESOLVED 2015/028

That the contents of the report be noted.

COMMUNITY SAFETY UPDATE

Sarah Houlton, Team Manager, Trading Standards & Community Safety introduced the report which updated Members on key Community Safety matters.

RESOLVED 2015/029

That the various developments in the areas of work contained within the report be noted.

UPDATE ON KEY TRADING STANDARDS MATTERS

Mark Walker, Group Manager, Trading Standards and Community Safety, introduced the report which updated Members on key Trading Standards matters. The following updates to the report were highlighted to the Committee:-

- further to paragraph 25 of the report, all eight defendants had now pleaded guilty to the charges of mis-selling products that allegedly protected personal assets from being used to pay care home fees;
- further to paragraph 29 of the report, Paul and Peter Dye had since been charged with further similar offences. If these crimes can be connected then this could make any subsequent sentences heavier if guilty verdicts are returned;
- the Trading Standards team had established a Single Point of Contact with Nottinghamshire Police which would assist in progressing issues in future;
- the team and the Police were looking to utilise, where possible, new Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) powers to address the issue of New Psychoactive Substances. For example, if ASB has been consequently caused in the locality of shops selling such substances. The Safer

Nottinghamshire Board was encouraging agencies to collate and share intelligence around this issue.

RESOLVED 2015/030

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

WORK PROGRAMME

RESOLVED 2015/031

That the work programme be noted.

The meeting closed at 4.13 pm

CHAIRMAN