

Minutes

Thurrock Community Safety Partnership Strategic Board
6 January 2020
10am to 1pm
Committee Room 1, Civic Offices, Grays

1.0 Introductions and Apologies

<u>Name</u>	<u>Organisation</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Julie Rogers (JRo) – Chair	Head of Environment, TBC	Attended
Tracey Harman – Vice Chair	Chief Superintendent, Essex Police	Apologies
Craig Saunders	Superintendent, Essex Police	Attended
Richard Melton	District Commander	Attended
Tony Clark	ECFRS	Attended
Michelle Cunningham	Thurrock Community Safety Partnership	Attended
Ian Wake	Director Public Health	Apologies
Sheila Coates	Voluntary Sector Representative	Apologies
Cllr R Gledhill	Portfolio Holder	Apologies
Bosa Osunde	Safeguarding Adults	Attended
Malcolm Taylor	Children's Services, TBC	Apologies
Clare Moore	Strategic Lead, CSC	Attended
Cllr Joy Redsell (Cllr JR)	Police and Crime Panel Rep	Attended
Martin Lucas	CRC	Attended
Phil Carver	Environment and Highways	Apologies
Kevin Malone	Public Health / Thurrock DAAT	Attended
Carol Hinvest	Assistant Director, Housing	Apologies
Shirley Kennerson	NPS	Apologies
Nicola Martin	NPS	Attended
Jason Read (JRe)	Operations Manager, YOS	Apologies
Sophie Young	CSP (minutes)	Attended
Alison Gilmour	SETDAB	Attended
Kim James	Thurrock CVS	Apologies
Steven Mayo	CCG	Apologies
Jane Foster Taylor	CCG	Apologies
Priscilla Tsang	VAWG coordinator	Attended
Alan Cotgrove	LSCP business manager	Attended
Joanne Davies	Housing Manager	Attended
Levi Sinden	TSAB	Attended
Maria Payne	Public Health	Attended

- 1.1 Attendees signed confidentiality and disclosure Julie Rogers
- 1.2 Items for urgent AOB
None noted
- 2.0 Minutes -** Julie Rogers
- 2.1 Minutes from 26/9/19
Approved as a true record
- 2.2 Outstanding Actions See separate action log
- 2.3 Matters Arising –none
- 3.0 Performance** Craig Saunders
- 3.1 Essex Police Crime Performance Report
CS shared performance data to Nov 19 and summarised as:
- There has been a decrease in ASB
 - Increase in homicide – this is due to the tragic events in Eastern Ave
 - Violence with and without injury has seen a significant increase
 - Good news in relation to Burglary which has seen a decrease of 1.1%
 - Theft of motor vehicle has seen a disproportionate increase
 - Hate Crime has increased but nothing high risk and more are being solved
 - Arson has increased but may be due to changes in reporting, looking into concerns raised regards Tilbury
- ACo asked about stalking and harassment – this is in relation to change in legislation
Cllr JR raised concerns about car theft in area and perpetrators unknown
CS explained that historically used to investigate, however now focus on looking at groups committing offences and spending more investigation time on these.
Cllr JR said that education of residents needed to improve to protect themselves
CS responded work was in place including prevention and low cost security advice.
- 3.2 Update on serious incidents
Op Melrose – 39 people tragically found dead in the back of a lorry. CS updated that the lorry driver has been charged with manslaughter
Ongoing investigation as to how they arrived in the Country.
Noted that impact on local community has been minimal.
JRo asked about what additional security checks were in place with the ports?
Cllr JR asked about the checks and technology specifically in place at Purfleet?
CS advised there is more pressure on the ports to do more but is impossible to check all vehicles
ACo advised that as 3 were under 18 the LSCP were doing a practice review by MACE to ensure that appropriate processes were in place.
MC advised she had met with Border Force, planned meeting with Immigration enforcement and that a play was to be hosted to raise awareness in communities
CS thanked everyone for the support from the Council
JRo added that all agencies worked well together
- 4.0 Police, Fire Crime Commissioner Update** Cllr Redsell

4.1 Police and Crime Panel

Last meeting was in relation to precept

No update due to meeting cancellation for General election

She added that recruitment for additional officers for Thurrock was in line with expectations

5.0 **Priority 2: Violence and Vulnerability**

5.1 SET Domestic Abuse Update

Alison Gilmour

- Released domestic homicide thematic review – a learning for partners
- Stalking is high risk and was last year's campaign. Resources are available on the web site
- Coercive control is still an issue and was feature of the conference this year
- Complex needs continue to be a risk factor – in particular substance misuse and mental health
- Health agencies were involved in all DHR cases and there is a reformed health group to address.
- There is learning to be had with the links of dementia and Domestic abuse, and strategy for learning for professionals is being developed
- There are still issues regarding friends and family where they know what's happening but not sure on how to deal with it. Need to focus on community awareness

Cllr JR said there is a fear of the unknown if do come forward

AG responded need to do more preventative work

- Looking at perpetrator work which is going into 2021 and also carrying on the Goodman project.
- 2021-2024 planning commissioning perpetrators services. Ambition is for strategy to look at whole SET contracts and support for families and prevention work

BO asked about timescales

AG responded consultation will start by end of month

- Training sessions will be available on ELearning for DASH and MARAC
- This year's communication plan will link to substance misuse and complex needs
- There is also partnership work on a report by LGBTQ+ community

Cllr JR asked about any work in schools.

AG advised on Risk Avert

ACo there was operation Encompass launched last week, where 25 schools signed up.

The aim of this is that the schools will get notified the next morning if any domestic abuse happens.

The safeguarding teams will be made aware and talks will happen with the pupil.

Southend will be on board in a couple of months and includes colleges.

VAWG Strategy 20/23

5.2 2 women have been killed nationally from the beginning of 2020 which shows how serious this issue is.

Priscilla Tsang

PT advised that this was Thurrock's third VAWG strategy and that the strategic group and consultation recommended that the title of VAWG be retained and the national definition

There are 8 crimes which are included within the strategy which follows the national strategy:

1. Sexual violence abuse and exploitation

2. Sexual harassment
3. Domestic abuse and violence
4. Female genital mutilation
5. Stalking
6. Modern day slavery
7. Forced marriage
8. And so called honour based abuse

The data within the strategy demonstrates that this is a gender biased crime. PT advised that no other district in Essex has a VAWG strategy – although some London Boroughs do

The VAWG conference we held back in September looked at the different titles and consultation confirmed that the title should be retained or we may lose the focus.

The vision recognises that all services are open to all genders and not just women and girls.

Data backs up nationally and locally that women are more likely to be victims

PT advised there will be 5 key factors within the strategy:

- Positive communities – as discussed by AG
- Prevention: Prevention work will include education from Sept as per Government guidelines
- Partnership – this is strong in Thurrock and across Essex
- Provision – need to respond to individual needs
- Protection – linked to the SETDAB perpetrator programme but also developing work locally to address need

Cllr JR raised concerns around engaging with communities and going into primary schools.

PT advised she was in contact with children's centres which has different communities. Regarding the schools it's a government set programme which will be aimed at all schools. She also advised regards J9 going out to communities, including faith sector

JD added that outreach was being provided by housing including Childrens centres

ML suggested the need to reflect changing behaviours and acknowledged that whilst the title presents difficulty do understand the rationale

Discussion on language and the word crime is a difficult word as most of what the police attend isn't crime. It may need to be changed to a more technical word.

Criminal Justice isn't really mentioned and also probation including brighter futures.

PT agreed to look at the language and include more on the perpetrator work in Thurrock

JRo emphasised need to make it clear that the strategy is for men and boys and the support that is available to them

Shelia – advised that SERICC provides a service for everyone and it is clear that the data shows this. She emphasised that from research if the title is not retained aspects will be lost

CS advised Essex Police have done a full review of this and have tried to make all policies gender neutral and expressed concern therefore that at odds with this proposed strategy.

JRo expressed that she was clear that professional advice had been sought and rationale agreed and that there should continue to be an emphasis on VAWG.

There was also concern that the strap line could be confusing as its contradicting its title with gender.

SC concluded that the government is refreshing their strategy and will be retaining the National VAWG strategy which Thurrock was in line with.

JRo summarised the recommendations which the Board agreed

Bystander intervention

- 5.3 ML outlined the programme of 8 sessions as a package which has been evaluated by University of Essex and would be appropriate to take into the campuses of colleges in Thurrock and requested drive locally to implement. Martin Lucas

MC – have good partnerships with the colleges but sixth forms may be more difficult. Agreed to share with colleges and discuss further with SG how include 6th forms from September.

Sexual Violence and Abuse JSNA

- 5.4 MP outlined that the partnership had produced a document which set out where at and where want to get to. The report includes the view of survivor and professionals. She summarised: Maria Payne

- Support is fragmented for services.
- Mental health is a common problem
- There are links to self-harm and suicide
- There are 11 children on a CP plan due to sexual abuse
- There is disparity between those receiving specialist support and no of recorded crimes
- Evidence suggests survivors speak to GPs but not recording referrals to specialist survivor groups
- Prevention needs a clear focus and links to the work starting in schools in September
- Looking at a long term response and a toolkit approach
- Review of training for professionals
- Need to get a message out to communities
- Governance for this will be through the health and wellbeing board where it will be signed off
- A summit is being held in March
- Seeking to establish a sexual violence and abuse partnership group

JRo confirmed that she had already had a presentation at the VAWG strategic group and welcomed the opportunity to have further dialogue through the consultation event

Cllr JR said this was a passionate and good report. She went on to say that the youth today find it hard to talk to someone, they have been taken over by social media. She stressed importance of youth cabinet.

JD – expressed problem for survivors is having to tell their story over and over again which can't be pleasant and services need to find a way to tackle this.

SC thanked public health for taking this forward following SERICCs conference

Sexual Exploitation Strategy and action Plan

- 5.5 The multi-agency task and finish group has identified links between the CSP and 2 strategic objectives. Learnings were taken from joint serious case reviews Development of strategy and action plan is underway and will be a subset of the Sexual violence and abuse JSNA with a clearer focus on adults and in particular transition. Draft report is to be finished by March which includes some of the findings. The 2 recommendations were agreed, Levi Sinden
- 5.6 CSE plan on a page
LSCB has changed to LSCP which is now a partnership and has a MACE group – Multi Agency child exploitation who are looking at the bigger picture. Need to look at wider exploitation that just sexual and the SET CSE group are developing a strategic plan on a page which will also focus on transition and contextual safeguarding. Will bring the CE plan to this meeting once planned and finished. ACo requested partners engagement on providing more data through the MACE, Alan Cotgrove
- 5.7 Suicide Prevention
MP advised that she was the named suicide prevention lead for the Local Authority A suicide prevention paper was taken to the H & WB board in September setting out the national priorities and where possible mapped to what we know in Thurrock Agreement was that this is Everyone’s Business She outlined that less than 30% of suicides accessed mental health services and there ownership needed to be wider than mental health trusts. She advised there was funding available to bid on for:
 - Primary care
 - Education
 - After care
And that the primary target group was middle aged men and campaigns needed to be directed towards them. She advised that there was a suicide prevention board in place across Essex. Maria Payne
- LS explained that the executive of the adult safeguarding board had looked at enquiries into missing adults and 1 in 20 were looking to take their own life CS suggested that BTP used to have a suicide prevention plan for named individuals and there may be some learnings to take from there.
- 6.0 **Safer Communities**
- 6.1 Draft Priorities 20/21 Michelle Cunningham
- These were agreed as below with the addition of stalking, Prevent narrative and amendment to wording on arson
1. **Violence Against Women and Girls** – including domestic abuse, sexual offences, stalking and rape of all genders
 2. **Tackling Violence and Vulnerability**
 - Tackle Violence with and without injury
 - Tackle gang related activity and offensive weapons
(Will indirectly support addressing the crimes of Personal Robbery and

- Trafficking of drugs)
- Reduce harm to and safeguard victims from hate crime
- Raise awareness of Human Trafficking and Modern Day Slavery

3. Local Community and Visibility

- Identify & tackle anti-social behaviour
- Community Engagement / Increased Visibility

4. Tackling Offending and reducing Residential Burglary

5. Counter Extremism and Terrorism

- Preventing Violent Extremism locally

In addition the risk matrix has identified the Emerging priority of **arson** and we have recognised the need to investigate the data further

ECFRS Risk management plan – verbal update

- 6.2 TC advised that the plan was based on 3 areas and that consultation had now closed with the draft being published next month. Tony Clark
- He advised that the HMIC reviewed in July and report published in December found that they were good on response, supported National events, good management of funds and management and leadership
- Areas noted for development were: protection and prevention approach, under resourcing on audit teams, community safety strategy and culture
- He advised that recruitment was underway.

JRo asked if any concerns regards Purfleet and access particularly in relation to the planned developments around junction 30?

TC advised that they were developing and strengthening links to cross border with London and that the station at Wennington could respond. He went onto assure the Board that all current response times were within target.

7.0 Finance Update

7.1 CSP core funding

CSP has a budget of £43,323

Of which 39,620 allocated

Remaining £3,703 to be allocated (2 execs, bid call blockers / cuckoo and fraud group being established)

7.2 Members funding

Additional member funding of £750k

Of which £691,275 allocated

£58,725 remaining to allocate

Spend against:

- Town centre policing – start 27th Jan (330k allocated over 4 yrs.)
- ASB officer for 3 years
- Op Caesar – end of March

- Op Raptor – gang enforcement (16k left)
- High visibility policing ops against ASB – ongoing current focus CSM & Tilbury
- Senior prac for gangs reporting to Jason
- Enhance youth offer
- Supported park rangers
- CCTV – new 8 mobile deployment
- Op Adaminaby and Op Pumpkin by ASB enforcement officers

Violence and Vulnerability Funding

- 7.3 Violence and vulnerability grant: £123k
- Analyst (missing and people of concern) 30k
 - School wellbeing service – working with identified schools To be amended – confirmation awaited 15k
 - Mentoring – youth services 7,200
 - Targeted Youth Service provision 35k
 - Holiday diversionary activity scheme 26k
 - Youth Voice - working through Youth Assembly / Council / Cabinet 10k
 - Communications £1338

In addition funding for LSCP and county wide such as conference and comms campaigns

- 8.0 **Future Agenda Items:** ALL
- See schedule below

9.0 AOB

- 9.1 CS updated on town centre policing team and additional officers funded by Thurrock Council
- 9.2 CM – advised Claire Pascoe will be leaving.
- 9.3 Cllr JR – asked if the mobile Police station could be available in Thurrock?
CS – responded if a specific area would benefit the local Police can bid for it
- 9.4 Cllr JR asked about community speedwatch
CS said he would look into this further for Thurrock

Meeting Dates:2020	Items for Discussion
Thursday 19 March, 2pm to 4:30pm	Community Engagement, ASB & Hate crime Prevent Strategy Strategic Assessment Delivery Plan 2020/21 & Priorities Information Sharing protocol
Thursday 25 June, 2pm to 4:30pm	PH report on violence and vulnerability Gang related violence update
Thursday 24 September, 2pm to 4:30pm	
Thursday 10 December, 2pm to 4:30pm	