

## Minutes

Thurrock Community Safety Partnership Strategic Board  
23 September 2021  
2pm to 4:30pm via Teams Meeting  
**Chair:** Julie Rogers

### 1. Introductions and apologies

#### Statutory

<u>Name</u>	<u>Organisation</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Julie Rogers (JRo) – Chair	Director of Environment, Highways and Counter Fraud, TBC	Attended
Stuart Hooper (vice chair)	Essex Police DCHSUPT	Apologies
Cllr R Gledhill	Portfolio Holder	Attended
Cllr G Collins	Member for Police Fire Crime Panel	Attended
Cllr J Redsell	Chair of Cleaner, Greener, Safer Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Attended in part
Mark Barber	District Commander	Apologies
Terry Fisher	Inspector Community Safety	Attended
Russell Freeman	ECFRS	Apologies
Ian Adams	ECFRS	Apologies
Cheryl Wells	Emergency Planning, Resilience and Community Safety	Attended
Martin Lucas	The Probation Service	Attended
Stephen Mayo	CCG	Attended

#### Non Statutory

<u>Name</u>	<u>Organisation</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Jo Broadbent	Director Public Health	Attended in part
Bosa Osunde	Safeguarding Adults	Apologies
Malcolm Taylor	Children's Services, TBC	Attended
Clare Moore	Strategic Lead, CSC	Attended
Ewelina Sorbjan	Assistant Director – Housing	Attended
Kev Malone	Public Health / Thurrock DAAT	Attended
Howard Oldstein	Centre Director, Lakeside shopping centre	Attended in part
Jason Read	YOS	Attended in part
Greg Myddleton	OPFCC	Apologies
Kristina Jackson	CVS	Apologies
Sheila Coates	SERICC	Apologies
Ranjit Praim-Singh	DWP	

## Ex Officio

<u>Name</u>	<u>Organisation</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Michelle Cunningham	Thurrock Community Safety Partnership	Attended
Caitlin Gibson	Thurrock Community Safety Partnership	Attended

1.1 Attendees were reminded of confidentiality and disclosure agreement

1.2 Items for urgent AOB  
None noted

## **2. Minutes**

2.1 Minutes from 10/06/21 Julie Rogers  
Approved as a true record and agreed to publish.

2.2 Outstanding Actions Michelle Cunningham  
Updates are recorded on action log

2.3 Matters Arising Jason Read

### 80. Update on Thematic Review

- Not yet finished and will be some time before completely finished
- Was requested following a Full Council meeting where concerns were raised about the increase in serious youth violence and knife crime among young people in Thurrock, so is not specific to an individual, it is looking more broadly
- Independent report writer is in place
- Timeline for completion is 9-12 months

**Board requested that the LSCP, as commissioners of the report, bring this back to a future meeting.**

## **3.0 Performance**

3.1 Essex Police Crime Performance Report – attached **RESTRICTED** Terry Fisher

- Overall down 2.8%
- ASB increased due to COVID breaches, car cruising and nuisance motorbike
- Assaults with injury down 4.3% and without injury down 5%
- Increase of 35% overall in sexual offences – no specific reason why
- Many sexual offences reported are linked to domestic offences
- Personal robbery down 13.1%
- Residential burglary down 13.2%
- Theft of/from motor vehicles still decreasing well
- Hate crime increased 16.4% - high reporting period in last few months, extra 81 offences compared to same period last year – no specific areas, offenders or types to be significantly concerned about

The Board thanked Terry for his update and had no questions.

3.2 Essex Police Perception Data – shared

Terry Fisher

Recent survey for Q1

73% of residents think local police are doing a good job, up from 61% last year.

Only 31% felt informed about what the police were doing in their local area, down from 44%. 68% said they had confidence in local policing, up from 58% last year. Pre-existing methods of engaging with communities e.g. Coffee with a Cop stopped due to COVID-19 but now restarting and looking to attend face to face Community Forums again.

Thurrock residents felt least informed about what Thurrock police are doing compared to the rest of Essex – good social media posts but looking at posters etc. to better engage, especially with those that don't use social media.

Cllr Redsell thanked police for quick response to motorbike nuisance during recent weekends.

TF has developed a quad bike proposal specifically for Thurrock which has passed the first stage with Assistant Chief Constable and is now with the Chief Constable for a decision.

3.3 Incidents of note:

Terry Fisher

1. M25 Insulate Britain protests at Junction 31 Monday 13<sup>th</sup> September.

Essex Police removed protestors in 1hr 35 mins, other forces took 4-5 hours.

CPT officers tasked with daily high vis patrols to prevent future events.

Had to explain legalities to every protestor and provide alternative sites for protest before arresting for disrupting the highway.

Now have High Court Injunction which gives police power to remand and potentially send to prison.

JRo noted the positive response from Essex Police.

2. Protests

Thameside Theatre protest 22/09, low-key attendance from PCSO's but very peaceful.

Anti vax protests – have to balance the spreading of misinformation with the right to protest.

Small group carrying out small protests which intel team are monitoring.

No concerns at present

JRo has concerns around locations they are protesting at as could be dangerous, e.g. roundabouts.

TF can ask them to move to an alternative suitable location.

Overall decline in anti vax protests as most people who want the

vaccine have already had it.

SM – possible concerns around care homes as date in October when all care home staff have to be vaccinated.

TF – will monitor healthcare/care home settings etc. where people may be more vulnerable to being intimidated and will have a robust police approach.

### 3. Ensign Buses

Criminal damage to buses.

Op Snare - Covert and overt patrols on buses.

Did see a break in offences but recent reports of attempts and one recent incident in Tilbury.

Highlighting to wider community the action that is being taken to reassure the community.

Aim to make communities feel safe, keep the buses running and prevent criminal damage.

Thurrock CPT led by TF managing investigations going forward.

HO raised concern that whilst ASB had reduced at Lakeside it had worsened significantly this week between Lakeside and Chafford Hundred Station.

**TF to look into and meet with Howard to discuss the issue**

### 4. Boxing event 11<sup>th</sup> September.

Some disorder at East Tilbury Recreation Club.

Investigations into licensing of the event have found tensions between 2 families of competitors from the travelling community.

Call made to police reporting someone was in possession of a handgun but not substantiated.

Firearms officers arrived and then brawl started, resulting in 6 arrests.

Monitoring community impact and local tensions but nothing of note.

### 3.4 Changes to hate crime recording

Essex Police are now recognising gender and sex as protected characteristics falling under hate crime.

TF noted that it won't include domestic offences

### 4. **Police, Fire, Crime Commissioner Update**

#### 4.1 PFCC Panel update

Cllr Collins sent apologies.

MC - Priorities are out for consultation, worth contributing and responding to.

Cllr Gledhill asked communications team to ensure promote in weekly newsletter.

Terry Fisher

### 5. **Priority 1: Violence Against Women and Girls** – update on sexual

- violence
- 5.1 SERICC data report  
Deferred due to apologies.
- 5.2 Response to Synergy report  
Deferred due to apologies.
- 5.3 Domestic Homicide Review (DHR) notification  
MC – Domestic Homicide Review notification following murder of elderly lady in Grays by her daughter.  
CSP met with Essex DA Board who lead on DHR’s across Essex, no financial concerns.  
Met with members of Safeguarding Adults Board and agreed to proceed with a joint DHR / SAR (Safeguarding Adults Review) and have an experienced chair to take forward.
- 6. Priority 5: Counter Extremism and Terrorism**
- 6.1 Situational Risk Assessment Michelle Cunningham  
was provided by MC based on the latest Counter Terrorism Local Profile  
Threat remains substantial meaning highly likely.  
Important to always remain vigilant to potential terrorist attacks.
- 6.2 Afghan resettlement programme Ewelina Sorbjana  
ES provided an update with regards the support being offered by Thurrock Council.  
Cllr Redsell requested ward councillors are notified of families moving into their wards.
- 6.3 Update report on Priority 5 Michelle Cunningham  
MC presented summary of the report written for the Hidden and Extreme Harm Committee.  
Focus around protecting children and vulnerable adults from the risks of radicalisation.  
10 point self-assessment toolkit for local authorities which we RAG rate – 3 currently at amber.  
1 amber around training programme, host 1 every 2 months to cover WRAP and hate crime but identified no mechanism to monitor so need to conduct training needs assessment.  
Training currently under review of Home Office.  
1 amber around venue hire. 3 policies signed off to go to schools, licensed premises and community venues.  
Schools have a duty to Prevent.  
Community and licensed premises have no duty but hope they will embrace and use the guidance for any lettings of their premises to show due diligence to Prevent agenda.  
1 amber around community engagement – Difficult to do closer engagement recently due to COVID but have IAG, police challenge

panel etc.

Thanks to Fran Leddra, Chair, and Jason Read, vice, for Channel Panel. Need to ensure wider family engaged with plans when working with young people, Jason gave positive update on engagement with families. Local data protection notice has now been signed.

## **7. Health and Wellbeing**

### **7.1 Overview of strategy**

Will be finalised March 2022 and run through to March 2026. Consulting on this until December and can bring back to this board in December.  
Any questions to go to Jo Broadbent and Sareena Gill.

Dr Jo  
Broadbent

Vision is to level the playing field both within Thurrock and between Thurrock and other areas.

10 year life expectancy gap between least and most affluent people in borough.

Healthy life expectancy for women (time spent living in 'good health') has an 8 year gap, roughly 22 years in poor health.

Kings Fund work highlights wider health determinants that influence the uneven landscape.

Structured around 6 domains which each link to the Council's 3 key priorities of People, Place and Prosperity:

1. Quality care centred around the person
2. Staying healthier for longer
3. Building strong and cohesive communities
4. Opportunity for all
5. Housing and the environment
6. Community Safety
  - Strengthen local approaches to reducing crime
  - Improve support to victims/survivors of crime
  - Reduce perpetrator activity and re offending
  - Protect residents from experiencing crime, with a focus on vulnerable groups

### **7.2 Report of Thurrock DAAT**

1 full time criminal justice worker employed now in inclusions visions, advertising for 2<sup>nd</sup> post.

Struggling to recruit to full time worker support role.

Inclusions repurposing community outreach worker to support criminal justice worker temporarily.

Difficulty recruiting as central funding is limited for DAAT.

Recruited regional post for impatient residential detox role, based within Essex County Council.

Treatment for opiate use has slightly declined, partly due to rise in successful completions.

Treatment for non opiate clients – increase in number of successful

Kev Malone

completions.

Alcohol treatment levels have declined slightly but also an increase in those completing treatment.

Treatment declined slightly for young people but increased complexity so majority are being seen face to face.

43 in treatment plus another 20 for hidden harms where parents or siblings are in treatment.

Strong treatments exits for young people in past year.

No referrals disclosed through Op Cloud initiative but confident we will have some, but enter as a self-referral rather than disclosing that they have received the number through their dealers number, when police have seized the dealers phone.

Pilot of bouvidol in HMP Chelmsford which is a sub dermal implant with methadone type gel which aims to keep users stable for long periods of time within the community.

ML – Probation Service also have some funding for recovering from dependencies.

JRo – how much work takes place in prisons to get people off of drugs and alcohol while in custody?

ML – varies prison to prison but there are detox arrangements for people inducted into prisons.

Good dependency recovery wings, especially in Chelmsford.

COVID has affected access to services due to reduction in movements around prisons and isolation.

Often challenging once released as can be difficult to join the gap in prescribing from in prison to once released especially if no confirmed accommodation.

SM – offer for conversation with KM and ML to discuss joining up all medications/treatments in prison and in the community as service users may not be signed up to GP's, able to access pharmacies etc.

JRo – how do we prevent the drug cycle in normal life if there is able to be one in prisons?

ML– importance of community sentencing as easier access to drugs services and can maintain links to their treatment providers.

MC – have HMO set up in Thurrock to support prison leavers which can be linked to funding for recovery and dependency?

KM – important to note that Courts can give drug treatment requirements alongside mental health orders etc to be undertaken within the community to prevent future offending and increased difficulty to address concerns once in prison.

JRe thanked KM for a good report and therefore no questions.

## **8. Delivering Safer Communities**

### **8.1 Terms of reference for sign off**

Updated to expand on priorities in relation to VAWG.

Removal of governance of YOS.

Michelle  
Cunningham



TOR were approved by the Board.

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| 8.2 | <p><u>Information Sharing Agreements</u><br/>Update made following Brexit around UK GDPR and NPS and CRC merge.<br/>Distributed to statutory partners for sign up – deadline by Monday.<br/>Once all e-signatures from statutory partners are received, will be distributed to other partners to sign up.<br/>Will be reviewed in April in line with CCG changes.</p> <p>Integrated offender management<br/>Strategy being refreshed nationally.<br/>Cohort remain the same, focus on burglary.<br/>Some scope to take on some other crime types under flexible cohort, work is being led regionally.<br/><b>ML offered to bring a draft plan to next Board.</b></p> | Michelle<br>Cunningham |
| 8.3 | <p><u>ECFRS Update</u><br/>Deferred due to apologies.</p>  | Martin Lucas           |
| 8.4 | <p><u>CSP Exec Chair update</u><br/>KM updated in his capacity as Vice Chair that when CRC and NPS merged to create the Probation Service, this had led to the cessation of some projects in the community led by the CRC and exec were keen to see these continued where evidence to substantiate.<br/>Funding application for CSEO weekend cover and Op Irish Lions approved.</p>  | Kev Malone             |
| 9.  | <p><b>Future Agenda Items</b><br/>See table below</p>  | ALL                    |
| 10. | <p><b>Any other business</b><br/>None</p>  | ALL                    |

Meeting Dates	Items for Discussion
2pm to 4:30pm	
16 December 2021	Priorities setting for 2022/23 Priority 1: Violence Against Women and Girls Priority 4: Re-Offending Delivery Plan for Thurrock Health and Wellbeing Strategy refresh
March 2022	Sign-off Strategic Assessment for 2021 Sign-off Delivery Plan 2021/22