

Minutes

Thurrock Community Safety Partnership Strategic Board

23 June 2022

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, Thurrock Council	Attended
Jenny Barnett (vice chair)	Essex Police CHSUPT	Attended
Cllr R Gledhill	Portfolio Holder	Attended
Cllr G Collins	Member for Police Fire Crime Panel	Apologies
Cllr J Redsell (JRe)	Chair of Cleaner, Greener, Safer Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Attended
Terry Fisher	A/District Commander	Attended
Russell Freeman	ECFRS	Attended
Ian Adams	ECFRS	Apologies
Cheryl Wells	Strategic Lead – Emergency Planning, Resilience and Community Safety	Attended
Martin Lucas	The Probation Service	Attended
Stephen Mayo	CCG	Apologies
Alfred Bandakpara-Taylor	CCG	Apologies

Non Statutory

<u>Name</u>	<u>Organisation</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Jo Broadbent	Director Public Health	Apologies
Ewelina Sorbjan	Assistant Director – Housing	Attended
Joanne Davies	Housing	Apologies
Marcia Charman (MCh)	Housing (on behalf of Joanne Davies)	Attended
Sareena Gill	Public Health	Apologies
Bosa Osunde	Safeguarding Adults	Attended
Malcolm Taylor	Children’s Services, TBC	Attended
Clare Moore	Strategic Lead, CSC	Attended
Phil Gregory	Public Health / Thurrock DAAT	Apologies
Howard Oldstein	Centre Director, Lakeside Shopping Centre	Attended
Sheila Coates	SERICC	Apologies
Greg Myddleton	OPFCC	Attended
Sandra Valentine	DWP	Apologies
Kristina Jackson	CVS	Apologies

Invited

<u>Name</u>	<u>Organisation</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Priscilla Tsang	Thurrock Community Safety Partnership	Attended
Caroline Ellis	Senior Equalities and Partnerships Adviser, Essex County Council	Attended
Jon Chapman	Independent Chair of DHR	Attended

Ex Officio

<u>Name</u>	<u>Organisation</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Michelle Cunningham	Thurrock Community Safety Partnership	Attended
Paige Simmonds	Thurrock Community Safety Partnership	Attended

1.1	Attendees were reminded of confidentiality and disclosure agreement.
1.2	<p><u>Items for urgent AOB.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There were no items raised.
2.	Minutes.
2.1	<p><u>Minutes from 15/03/22.</u></p> <p>The minutes were approved as a true record and the Board agreed for them to be published.</p>
2.2	<p><u>Outstanding Actions.</u></p> <p>The action log was reviewed, and updates were recorded.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SC and MB- discuss how to raise awareness with public regards sexual abuse and sexual violence outstanding CW- update pony trap racing: meeting with appropriate colleagues from highways and Essex Police on 08/07 to discuss further. MT- Improving information in relation to schools and sexual violence on how to support. SC is part of safeguarding leads meeting now, to close. MC SERICC training for members is now planned for Sept Community safety hub ML: No update but has links now and ongoing, to close. Strategic assessment on Violent Crime MC- spoke to analyst and report will be available for the September Board. Risk management. MC- Ukraine situation on Exec and is being monitored, to close Safer streets funding Tilbury- MC updated completed walk around in Tilbury with Essex police, environment officers, unfortunately too late for the next round of bids. Developing Tilbury for the next round however has been advised EVA won't be available until October. Gerald and Michelle are due to meet with OPFCC which will link in. JB agreed to escalate request for EVA.

2.3	<p><u>Matters Arising.</u></p> <p>Covered in items 5.4 and 5.5.</p>
3.	Performance and Incidents of Note.
3.1	<p><u>Essex Police Crime Performance Report</u> – report shared Restricted.</p> <p>Terry Fisher presented the report to the board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ASB down 54% • Crime increased by 7.2% • Sexual offences increased by 14.3% • Robbery increased by 10.5% TF noted this was in relation to incidents at Lakeside and following response were now seeing a decrease • Burglary down by 10% • Vehicle crime continues to see an increase • Hate crime has increased but no high-risk suspects or victims or areas of concerns • Drug possession down by 10.6%
3.2	<p><u>Incidents of note.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TF – Murder at Lakeside occurred on the 28/04, incident involving a stabbing. No harm to the public or believed to be a targeted attack. • GBH Grays on 19/05 4 males ordering an uber taxi. Grays CID took over case and identified main suspects, who were arrested and interviewed under caution in less than 24 hours. • Op Hazel – response to protests. No repercussions or any further incidents, good example of partnership working • Hate crime reported involving a Ukrainian family. Thurrock community police team took control of the investigation and arrest made <p>Cllr RG noted his praise for the police in response to the protests and noted that 50% of injunction costs have been borne by protestors. He requested appropriate thanks to officers be acknowledged.</p> <p>CW- noted threat hasn't gone away and will continue in the next couple of months. She also noted that the injunction covers protected roads as well as high risk sites. There was a clear message at the County forum last week to not be complacent as may return ACTION CW to follow up to say thank you for the work including our legal team.</p> <p>JR noted that there were a number of incidents, but positive results obtained and asked if communication had gone out. TF confirmed they had on all except the Ukrainian offence</p> <p>Cllr RG Offered his weekly enews if there is a message to get out. CW suggested something in the newsletter to remind public of the importance of reporting incidents as not all incidents are reported to Essex Police. She also noted it is helpful if incident nos. can be provided so can be followed up when queries are raised.</p>

	<p>JRo – Suggested work jointly to provide information to include in the newsletter regarding the importance of reporting and how police are using the data to target their resources.</p> <p>Cllr JR – echoed needing more information and joined up working and noted an incident involving a motorbike accident. They were taken to hospital in an ambulance helicopter, police were not aware of the incident and noted a lack of join up between the ambulance services and Police.</p> <p>ACTION MC to follow up with ambulance service.</p>
4.	Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner (PFCC) Update.
4.1	<p><u>PFCC Panel Update.</u></p> <p>No update for this meeting.</p>
4.2	<p><u>PFCC priority update in relation to: Protecting vulnerable people and breaking the cycle of domestic abuse</u> – Greg Myddelton.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GM- shared a presentation on PFCC Police and Crime Plan 2021-2024 and focused on the priorities of VAWG and DA. • He noted that domestic abuse is increasing. Third of the incidents that are dealt with by police are domestic related. Improvements have been seen in recording and classifying it as domestic abuse appropriately. He also noted an increase in willingness of people to report. <p>3 primary areas within plan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • building confidence in reporting with awareness campaigns and J9 training, • supporting victims - £20m invested since 2016 and £1m COVID specific support, changing behaviours with perpetrators using DRIVE - targeted 1-2-1 work. • Reducing violence against women and girls <p>There has been a 12.2% increase in violence against women (12 month to March 2022 compared with the year to March 2020)</p> <p>There was a 27.5% increase in the number of sexual offences committed against females.</p> <p>The PFCC has successfully applied for an additional 3.5 Domestic abuse advocates in 2022-23 bringing us to 31 IDVAs in line with the level recommended by Safelives in their national IDVA audit (May 22).</p>
4.3	<p><u>Safer Essex: Op Minerva</u> – Caroline Ellis</p> <p>CE Presented a PowerPoint to discuss Op Minerva. Funding was secured from STAR to develop a way of identifying areas where women felt unsafe. This was developed in 4 stages:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nottingham University gathered multiple layer data sets to provide evidence based statistical mapping. • Now working with Safer Essex to enable evidence based identification of Minerva

	<p>Zones for partnership action.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A partnership approach will be required in each Minerva zone to access local issues and engage with users and review impact. • Example provided of offences in Clacton-On-Sea 2018-2021, presentation shows male and female victims by geographical area. <p>Phase 1 is to identify areas to target harden. Looking to develop an online interactive tool to help develop social patterns of female victimisations.</p> <p>Phase 2 – looking for a way to prioritise high risks.</p> <p>Phase 3- meetings will be held with CSP Chairs, Community Safety Managers and Police Inspectors to review the zones, governance arrangements and next steps.</p> <p>MC asked what happens if we identify need in an area with regards to obtaining funding? CE acknowledged concern and replied working with PFCC office regarding funding.</p>
5.	Delivery Plan Priority Updates
5.1	<p><u>DHR/SAR Review Feedback – Jon Chapman</u></p> <p>JC introduced himself and his role in chairing the Domestic Homicide Review Panel and writing the report which he then summarised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Domestic Homicide Review (DHR) conducted under the Domestic Violence Crime and Victims Act. He informed the Board that it also reached the criteria for a Safeguarding Audit Review, which is a review under The Care Act 2014. • JC formed a panel to review the case and write the report. The Panel was informed, and information was gathered. • A Practitioners’ Forum was also held, discussing the case with them and single interviews with relevant practitioners conducted. • The family were informed of the review and invited to give their perspective of the case. However, they felt unable to engage with the review. They were stated witnesses at the time and the case was going through the Criminal Justice process. • Case went to Court and when the case was resolved Jon gave the family the opportunity to engage again however, they chose not to engage. • JC then summarised the report which is due for publication. <p>JC noted that there are 5 recommendations in the report in relation to care assessments, nursing pathway, missed opportunity, caring and responsibilities and sharing information and a recommendation for the Home Office.</p> <p>The report has been accepted by the Thurrock Adult Safeguarding Board. On approval by the CSP the next step will be for the report to go to the Home Office. ACTION partners to review full report and provide any comments to MC by 7th July 22 – no response will be taken as agreement.</p> <p>JRo thanked JC for his work in relation to this along with panel members.</p>
5.2	<p><u>P1. Tackling disproportionality in relation to Violence Against Women and Girls – Priscilla Tsang</u></p>

	<p>PT presented a report on the priority and summarised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We will achieve this priority through delivering on the themes of Prevention, Partnership, Provision, Protection and Positive Communities. • Sexual offences increased by 14.3% • Stalking and harassment decreased by 3.3% • Forthcoming launch of e-learning awareness for sexual violence and abuse. • Thurrock now have representation at FGM (Female Genital Mutilation) strategy group. • Council member awareness training planned on sexual violence and abuse. • Professional awareness session of sexual violence and abuse from men and boy's survivor perspective. • Pop up events being planned in priority areas • Funding of £1500 allocated to focus on training and awareness raising. • Harmful sexual behaviours project with NSPCC about to commence, led by LSCP <p>JB noted the concerns regards data and said that C/S Andy Waldie was taking over the lead for VAWG and would be working with analysts and noted need to reflect and shine a light on partnership work. Requested PT link up with analysts to access data.</p>
5.3	<p><u>P2. Breaking the cycle of Domestic Abuse</u> – Priscilla Tsang</p> <p>PT presented a report on the priority and summarised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Domestic abuse overall figures deceased by 3.0% • High risk domestic abuse cases in Thurrock increased by 44.1% • Medium risk cases in Thurrock deceased by 5.7% • Currently we do not have services that meet the government criteria for “by and for” support services, however we are involved with other Eastern region Local Authority discussions with DLUHC • Delivery in first 3 years of new burdens funding continues to be rolled out resulting in more support services in Refuge, including: financial inclusion support officer, counselling for children, Specialist sexual violence and abuse counselling for survivors, training for refuge staff, inclusion drop in service, tuition for children and flexible funding arrangements for housing approach. • Thurrock Housing developing a campaign to build awareness with private sector landlords. • Funding £3500 going towards training and raising awareness. • 16 days of activism against gender based violence communication event focus will be on domestic abuse. <p>MCh – added Op Lavender to run on 20/07 at Buckles Lane to provide information. Door knocking and dropping leaflets on 14/09. A male officer within service has proved beneficial as 13 male victims have come forward.</p>
5.4	<p><u>Sexual violence in context of domestic abuse</u> – Terry Fisher</p> <p>TF presented key highlights from briefing paper on percentage of sexual offences which could be attributed to domestic abuse and suggested needed to take away and establish</p>

	<p>what the next steps are in response.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 30% of sexual offences in Thurrock during 1stJune 2021 to 31stMay 22 had a Domestic Abuse (DA) marker. • DA related sexual offences in Thurrock increased Yr. on Yr. by 4% • 64% of DA victims were aged 20 – 29 at time of offence, only 23% were aged under 19 or over 50. <p>It was noted that younger victims aged 11 – 15 were more likely to report and that recording of ethnicity was an issue.</p> <p>JB said need to improve data from health to overlay with the police mapping. She went on to say that entry level voyeurism /exposure may lead to going on to commit a more serious offence and looking at how to drive this going forward. Noted number of victims in schools. In response to this young boys need to understand consequences in relation to when indecent pictures have been shared. She summarised need for more analysis of data and to look at what we can do more of and differently.</p>
5.5	<p><u>Raising awareness of Domestic Abuse /Sexual Violence</u></p> <p>In relation to what is next JRo requested JB / TF and MC form a subgroup to develop work. JB said she was reviewing the role of Children and Young People’s Officers and how they can work in partnership with schools and education. She also said there was a disproportionate no. of victims within care system and what can we do differently for LAC? CM suggested the subgroup needs to include the work with the LSCP through the NSPCC.</p>
6.	<u>Delivering Safer Communities</u>
6.1	<p><u>Information Sharing Agreement (ISA) – Michelle Cunningham</u></p> <p>Review of ISA should have been simply to reflect change from Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) to Integrated Care Board (ICB) however, there is a new police governance lead and they have queried around the processors. Waiting for advice and will come back to Board outside of this meeting for sign off when resolved.</p>
6.2	<p><u>Terms of Reference – Michelle Cunningham</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • These have been shared and no comments received • Board agreed to sign off and adopt
6.3	<p><u>Counter Extremism and Terrorism Situational Risk Assessment</u></p> <p>CW shared the update from the Q4 Counter Terrorism Local Profile</p>
7.	<u>Agency Updates – items by exception</u>
7.1	<p><u>Think Family Service – Clare Moore</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Following consultation with colleagues and with partners Thurrock Children’s

	<p>Services introduced revised operating model called Think Family.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This went live on the 01/04. • Think Family approach is strength and relationship based and compliments signs of safety. • The approach is being used across the department for families that are currently known to social care and anyone external to children service can't refer for the service • Feedback from service users and professionals to help shape the model. It includes taking a family approach and assessing all needs of family members. • We are providing intensive support to the whole family including increasing our engagement with fathers and providing support for them. • We are undertaking parent assessments in-house including parents learning needs. • We found when family reach court proceedings the Court usually orders parenting assessment to take place from an independent social worker. • We are providing family connected network to provide care and support to each other through regular family network meetings. • Family network meetings will be held from the assessment stage and will help families to develop family led plans which will help children to safely stay within family network. • CM concluded by saying that they will be setting up a Partnership Board to identify new opportunities.
7.2	<p><u>Ukrainian Family update</u> – Ewelina Sorbjan</p> <p>EW updated on the programme of Homes for Ukrainians which is Government led.</p>
8.	Funding Update.
8.1	<p><u>PFCC funding return</u> – Michelle Cunningham</p> <p>This was shared by MC for noting</p>
9.	Future Agenda Items
	As per table below.
10.	Any other business.
	None noted.
	Meeting closed at 4:40pm.

Meeting Dates	Items for Discussion
2pm to 4:30pm	
September 2022	P3 Violence and Vulnerability P4 Counter Extremism and Terrorism Community Drugs Partnership
December 2022	