

**CHARNWOOD COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP  
THURSDAY, 20 OCTOBER 2022  
MEETING ROOM 1, CHARNWOOD BOROUGH COUNCIL OFFICES  
AGENDA**

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| <b>Present:</b> | <p>Councillor Leigh Harper-Davies<br/>David Stokes<br/>Alice Forfar<br/>Ant Dales<br/>Angela Knowles<br/>Ioni Ashford<br/>Rob Kitson<br/>Lindsay Widdowson (via MS Teams)<br/>Alan Twells<br/>Giuseppe Vassallo<br/>Allison Fadesco<br/>Claire Westrup<br/>Sally Watson (minutes)</p> | <p>Charnwood Borough Council<br/>Leicestershire Police<br/>Leicestershire Police<br/>Loughborough University<br/>Turning Point<br/>Loughborough BID<br/>Leicestershire Fire and Rescue Service<br/>NHS<br/>Charnwood Borough Council<br/>Charnwood Borough Council<br/>Charnwood Borough Council<br/>Charnwood Borough Council<br/>Charnwood Borough Council</p> |
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**1 APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIR**

It was agreed that the Vice-Chair of the Community Safety Partnership be agreed at a later meeting.

*Post meeting note: Inspector David Stokes expressed an interest in becoming Vice-Chair of the CSP for 2022/23. This would be voted on at the next meeting.*

**2 APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from the following:

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| Verity Graham    | Charnwood Borough Council     |
| Tim McCabe       | Charnwood Borough Council     |
| Andrew Staton    | Charnwood Borough Council     |
| Maddie Clay      | Leicestershire Probation      |
| Gurjit Samra-Rai | Leicestershire County Council |
| Grace Strong     | Violence Reduction Network    |
| Peter Singleton  | Turning Point                 |

**3 MINUTES**

There were no minutes to approve.

**4 ACTION LOG**

Updates on the actions of previous meetings were reviewed and updates were provided as follows:

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ACTION LOG  
20TH OCTOBER 2022**

| <b>Meeting Date</b> | <b>Action</b>   | <b>Complete By</b>          |
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| 200521<br>Item 13   | <p>Representative from OPCC enquire about the evaluation of the Warwick Way and Dishley area Safer Streets programme and feedback to Tim McCabe as soon as possible.</p> <p><i>The evaluation was undertaken by the Home Office and information had not yet been shared with the OPCC.</i></p>  | OPCC                        |
| 290921<br>Item 8    | <p>That ways to identify reoffending data for Charnwood be investigated.</p> <p><i>No update provided.</i></p>  | M Clay                      |
| 290921<br>Item 8    | <p>That T McCabe, M Oswin and M Clay meet outside of the meeting in order to discuss the process of preparing licensing conditions for individuals leaving the prison service.</p> <p><i>This was ongoing. There was a need to identify a single point of contact. Partners should be working together more effectively on this. Chair agreed to liaise with partner organisations on this issue. Inspector D Stokes has now replaced M Oswin and stated commitment to working with partners on this so that his officers were aware of Licence conditions of individuals.</i></p> <p><i>Action reassigned to Chair.</i></p>  | Chair                       |
| 100222<br>Item9     | <p>That Grace Strong and Julie Robinson discuss this outside of the meeting to identify appropriate individuals to participate in smaller group discussion to develop service level agreements.</p> <p>Grace Strong provided the following update via email:</p> <p><i>The action relates to the support that the VRN team will be providing to CSPs over the next 12 months to implement the new SV duty. Three CSPs, including Charnwood, will be offered enhanced support particularly in relation to data analysis. Grace was due to meet with Julie Robinson prior to her departure so this meeting needs to be picked back up with Alan Twells.</i></p> <p><i>Action reassigned to Grace Strong/Alan Twells</i></p> | A Twells/G Strong           |
| 100222<br>Item 5a   | <p>That a meeting take place with partners to develop a plan to progress option 1 set out in the report.</p> <p><i>This was featured on the agenda and can be closed.</i></p>   | All partners                |
| 100222<br>Item 5a   | <p>That documentation on community triggers be circulated to partnership members to increase knowledge and understanding of the process.</p> <p><i>This information had been circulated although it was recognised that new partners were present t the meeting and so the information could be circulated again. This item can be closed.</i></p>  | T. McCabe<br><br>Completed. |

An update on the CSP review and the draft Terms of Reference was provided. The following summarises the discussion:

- i. It was highlighted that a revised Terms of Reference was being drafted following the CSP review. Membership and aims remained the same and a good attendance at meetings was beneficial to the partnership overall. The draft Terms of Reference, the Partnership Strategic Assessment and the Community Safety Partnership Plan would be circulated prior to the next meeting of the CSP in January 2023.
- ii. It was advised that the Terms of Reference should be flexible and not overly specific. This would support the work of the CSP because a restrictive Terms of Reference would mean that partners were unnecessarily confined to particular courses of action.
- iii. It was recognised that the Community Safety Partnership was a strong and influential voice in Charnwood and it was suggested that this be used where appropriate in order to overcome issues.
- iv. There was a discussion around suicide prevention and the group discussed partnership working initiatives which could help to reduce the number of attempted suicides in the Borough. The number of attempted suicides was considered to be significant by the partnership and there was a need to reduce this. It was suggested that there was often a specific cause associated with suicide attempt cases, such as poor mental health or substance misuse. The partnership was not aware of what was being done to reduce suicide attempts, although it was suspected that work was being done by other groups. There was a suggestion that a representative from a mental health service within Charnwood be invited to attend meetings of the CSP in order to increase the information available to the CSP. Lindsay Widdowson agreed to identify an appropriate delegate from a mental health service to attend CSP meetings.
- v. The significant role of the Fire Service and the Police as first responders in suicide prevention cases was discussed. It was suggested that representatives from these partner agencies attend the Charnwood Health and Wellbeing Partnership meetings. Lindsay Widdowson agreed to liaise with partners and the Chair of the Charnwood Health and Wellbeing Partnership.
- vi. Turning Point was undertaking a pilot on 'dual diagnosis' clients (clients with multiple issues such as substance misuse and mental health problems). The pilot was funded until March 2023, at which point Turning Point hoped the pilot would be extended or additional funding could be secured, although this was not a certainty. It was agreed that an update be provided to subsequent meetings on the pilot being undertaken.

## **AGREED**

1. That the information be noted.

2. That an update on the 'Dual Diagnosis' pilot being undertaken by Turning Point be provided at subsequent meetings of the CSP.
3. That Lindsay Widdowson identify an appropriate delegate from a mental health service to attend CSP meetings in order to increase the information available to CSP and to allow them to support the work being undertaken.
4. That Lindsay Widdowson arrange for Rob Kitson and Insp Dave Stokes to attend the Charnwood Health and Wellbeing Partnership.

## 6 2022/23 PERFORMANCE (Insp Dave Stokes)

A presentation detailing Charnwood performance figures was provided. The following summarises the discussion:

- i. The followings crime types had increased in comparison to the same period in 2021/22; Total Crime (+4.9%), Burglary – Residential (+14.7%), Burglary – Business and Community (+109.8%), Theft from Motor Vehicle (+73.8%), Theft of Motor Vehicle (+76.2%) and Anti-Social Behaviour Incidents – Storm Data (+0.2%).
- ii. The following crime types had decreased in comparison to the same period in 2021/22; Robbery (-11.1%), Cycle Theft (-20%), Violence Against the Person with Injury (-10.6%) and Sentinel Reports for Anti-Social Behaviour Incidents (-59.6% mainly due to a change in types of ASB recorded through Sentinel)
- iii. The new NPA Commander, Insp Dave Stokes was now in post and was keen to work on the reduction in crime figures. There were plans in place in order to encourage the reduction in crime, including the intention of creating a bespoke proactive team in Charnwood, further crime analysis actions being undertaken and better use of CCTV systems in place in the area.
- iv. The Burglary – Residential increase was considered to be due to the end of lock down periods as there were fewer people at home and therefore fewer deterrents.
- v. It was anticipated that crime figures may increase over the coming months due to the current cost of living crisis. The Police were prepared for this and would be working to proactively overcome this.
- vi. There had recently been a National County Lines Intensification Week which had been successful in Charnwood. It was highlighted that in Charnwood there would be greater significance placed on overcoming crime associated with County Lines in the future. This work is ongoing and will not just be targeted for specific weeks.
- vii. There was a discussion around anti-social behaviour in and around pubs in the Town Centre. There was currently an intensive education programme aimed at the staff in specific venues which had been

affected by anti-social behaviour, in order to support them to overcome issues in the future.

**AGREED** that the information be noted.

7 CSP STRATEGIC GROUP UPDATE (Alan Twells)

An update on CSP Strategic Groups matters was provided and the information in the report was outlined.

**AGREED** that the information be noted.

8 CSP DELIVERY GROUPS UPDATE (Insp Dave Stokes)

An update on CSP Delivery Groups matters was provided and the information within the report was outlined.

**AGREED** that the information be noted.

9 LOUGHBOROUGH BID UPDATE (Ioni Ashford)

An update on the Loughborough BID matters was provided. The following summarises the discussion:

- i. It had been identified that businesses would benefit from proactively preventing crime, rather than experiencing crime and then reacting. It was suggested that Giuseppe Vassallo and Ioni Ashford liaise regarding training available to local businesses to prevent crime.

**AGREED**

1. That the information be noted.
2. That Giuseppe Vassallo and Ioni Ashford liaise regarding training available to local businesses to prevent crime.

10 LEICESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL UPDATE (Gurjit Samra-Rai)

An update on Leicestershire County Council matters was submitted.

**AGREED** that the information be noted.

11 LEICESTERSHIRE PROBATION SERVICE UPDATE (Maddie Clay)

An update on Leicestershire Probation Service was submitted.

**AGREED** that the information be noted.

12 TURNING POINT UPDATE (Peter Singleton)

An update on Turning Point matters was provided. The following summarises the discussion:

- i. The number of clients with alcohol dependency had increased significantly and was continuing to increase month on month.
- ii. Drug-related deaths were lower than the national average.

**AGREED** that the information be noted.

13 VIOLENCE REDUCTION NETWORK UPDATE (Grace Strong)

There was no update provided by the Violence Reduction Network.

14 LOUGHBOROUGH STUDENTS STREET SUPPORT SCHEME AND LOUGHBOROUGH UNIVERSITY UPDATE (Ant Dales)

An update on Loughborough Students Street Support Scheme and Loughborough University matters was provided. The following summarises the discussion:

- i. Dates for the Student Street Support Scheme had been set out for the upcoming year.
- ii. Weekly ASB meetings with Charnwood Borough Council were continuing.
- iii. Spiking incidents had decreased from the previous year.
- iv. Proactive measures were being undertaken in order to reduce anti-social behaviour.

**AGREED** that the information be noted.

15 POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER UPDATE (Sajan Devshi)

There was no update provided by the OPCC.

16 LEICESTERSHIRE FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE UPDATE (Rob Kitson)

An update on Leicestershire Fire and Rescue matters was provided. The following summarises the discussion:

- i. Leicestershire Fire and Rescue Service were planning to issue 'Winter Warming Packs' over the winter months in order to support vulnerable

residents during the cost of living crisis. Any possibility of match funding was welcomed. It was highlighted that whilst this initiative would be beneficial to members of the community, it was not associated with crime and therefore the CSP was not able to provide match funding. It was suggested that Rob Kitson liaise with Verity Graham at Charnwood Borough Council in order to identify possibilities of support through match funding.

- ii. It was highlighted that much of the work being undertaken by Leicestershire Fire and Rescue Service was in line with the CSP Plan and that it would be beneficial to include details of this work in the plan.

**AGREED** that the information be noted.

17 NHS UPDATE (Lindsay Widdowson)

An update on health matters was provided. The following summarises the discussion:

- i. The Charnwood Health and Wellbeing Partnership had recently been formally established. It was recognised that the work of this group could be beneficial to the CSP.
- ii. A Charnwood Health and Wellbeing Plan was being established to identify the main focus of work and a workshop was being planned to facilitate this.

**AGREED** that the information be noted.

18 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Chair stated that any 'hot topics' should be identified within the reports submitted by members of the partnership. 'Hot topics' were described as being specific areas of interest which would not usually be covered by the CSP as a formality. When a hot topic was identified within a report, the CSP could then determine actions to be agreed.

19 FORWARD PROGRAMME

A report to enable the Partnership to consider and manage its forward programme of work was provided.

**AGREED** that the 'hot topics' item on the forward programme be removed as these issues would be dealt with through reporting from partners.

Upcoming meetings;

26th January 2023 at 10am  
20th April 2023 at 10am  
13th July 2023 at 10am

12th October 2023 at 10am