

The East and Mid Devon Community Safety Partnership

A Partnership between East & Mid Devon District Councils, Devon & Cornwall Police, Devon County Council, NEW Devon Clinical Commissioning Group, Devon & Cornwall Probation Trust, and Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue Service.



EAST & MID DEVON COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP STEERING GROUP MEETING On Thursday 18 November 2015 Exe Room, Phoenix House, Tiverton

Present:

Kevin Finan	MDDC (Chair)
Gerry Moore	Community Safety Officer, East Devon
Julia Ryder	Community Safety Officer, Mid Devon
Donna Braund	D&C Police
Graham Rooms	DSFRS
Sam De Reya	D&C Police
Margaret Squires	MDDC
Stuart Hughes	DCC
Laura Maksymczuk	Community Safety Support Officer (minutes)

1.	<p>Introduction and Apologies</p> <p>Kevin welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were received from Gill Unstead, Janet Rendle, Anne Payne, Lisa Rutter, Caroline Rae, Andrew Ennis, Steve Gazzard, Calendula Bowen, Simon Perkins, Lucy Hextall and Clive Eginton.</p>
2.	<p>Minutes from meeting on 24 September 2015</p> <p>The minutes of the East & Mid Devon CSP Steering Group meeting on 24 September 2015 were agreed as a true record.</p> <p>Matters Arising</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Page 1, Item 2 – CPN Appeal – Gerry advised that this case will go to a full hearing in the next couple of weeks. • Page 2, Item 3 – Early Help – Laura has passed on email details for the coordinators to Donna. Unfortunately the Mid Devon EH Chair was unable to attend this meeting as previously planned. Action: Laura to invite the East & Mid Early Help Coordinators to attend the next CSP meeting, and to ask for RAG data to be sent to Donna Braund. • Page 2, Item 4 – CSP Chair – see Item 3. • Page 3, Item 5 – CSP review – see Item 5. • Page 3, Item 6 – Strategic Assessment Project Plan – no comments were received. • Page 3, Item 6 – Modern Slavery and CSE – documents were circulated with the minutes of the last meeting. • Page 4, Item 7 – Dog bites in East Devon – these are included in the police violence with injury figures. This has been explored further following the discussion at the last meeting. There are no trends but are down to a series of one-off incidents. The figures now include dog bites occurring on private property which is giving the police a better picture of incidents. • Page 4, Item 8 – Prevent – Gerry advised that Teignbridge Learning Partnership will be delivering WRAP training for EDDC staff. Some of the £10K funding provided to each District by the Home Office will be used by SDP to fund Babcock to undertake WRAP training to teachers and other school staff. Julia reported that

	<p>MDDC Learning and Development team have already delivered this to Cullompton Community College and will do so at Tiverton High School next week. EDDC are also planning to provide staff with safeguarding cards with helpline numbers on.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Page 5, Item 9 – CRC – Laura did invite Simon Perkins to give an update at this meeting but unfortunately he was unable to attend.
<p>3.</p>	<p>CSP Chair</p> <p>Gerry reported that he has contacted Steve Gazzard, who is currently unsure if he will remain an EDDC councillor. If he does Steve will be happy to continue as deputy Chair. Donna has volunteered to Chair the CSP. This was unanimously agreed by the group. Sam may take over as the Exeter CSP Chair so this would be a useful link. Representation at the SDP Board and Peninsula CSP Chairs meetings were raised by Julia and Gerry and it was agreed that Donna or Sam will attend these on behalf of the CSP.</p>
<p>4.</p>	<p>Update on Performance and Crime</p> <p>No crime data was available for this meeting.</p> <p>Donna gave the group an overview of the current trends which are that crime is stable across the area, with increases in both Sexual Offences and Domestic Abuse. This is because more reporting is taking place, which is what the police want to see and fits in with the police focus on victims. The positive outcome data for Domestic Abuse is 34% for Exmouth, 32% for Rural East Devon and 26% for Mid Devon with a 30% target rate. Outcome rates for sexual offences are not as high but this is due to an increase in reporting, particularly of historic cases which are difficult to evidence. The SODAT team are continually building expertise, sharing best practise, and establishing better relationships with the courts.</p> <p>Violence with and without injury – work was completed across the Local Policing Area of Exeter, East & Mid Devon over the summer. There is no direct correlation to ENTE (evening and night time economy) and those offences that occurred in licensed premises were not Domestic Abuse related. There are regular ENTE operations being run in Exmouth and some specific operations have taken place to address issues in Sidmouth and Cullompton. Bridport in Dorset experienced the same burglaries that Sidmouth did and as a result both Forces will now be having regular joint meetings to discuss cross border crime.</p> <p>Sam explained that Devon & Cornwall Police will be working with Dorset Police in an alliance and that the firearms, traffic and dog sections are already up and running, along with some back office functions. The Intelligence function will merge in the future.</p>
<p>5.</p>	<p>CSP Review</p> <p>A paper on the possible merger of the CSP with Exeter CSP was circulated by Gerry and Julia. There is also an option to have joint CSP Steering Group meetings, rather than a full merger. There has not been any communication with Exeter CSP about what they would like to do. Keith was planning to do this but then left his post. Elected members have also not been consulted as yet as we are in the very early stages of discussions. Members of the group expressed concerns about a full merger with Exeter as we are a very rural area and this could be overlooked, and also in terms of potentially losing funding.</p> <p>Graham suggested that we need to look at why attendance at this meeting has reduced and how we can increase this again. Donna as Chair will write out to members to encourage them to attend and also to consider the merger options. Action: Donna, Gerry and Julia to liaise and put together an options paper for consultation by CSP members, and review membership of the group. It was agreed to make this the focus of the January meeting. Action: Sam to look at how a full merger with Exeter could</p>

	<p>work while still safeguarding the rural areas in East & Mid. Stuart raised the issue that the CSP meetings often clash with other meetings. Julia advised that we have now reduced the meetings down to quarterly and have released dates in advance to help people attend. Action: Laura to send CSP dates to Nicola Channon for inclusion on County diary.</p> <p>CSP Scrutiny Panel arrangements It would seem that there are not that many issues that the Panel have raised to scrutinise. The idea is to scrutinise the operation of the CSP rather than individual agencies. Many of the Scrutiny Panel members don't attend the CSP to see what we are doing. The Panel have cancelled the last two meetings as there have been no agenda items to discuss or not enough members to attend. This issue is the same for other CSPs in Devon too. South Devon & Dartmoor CSP have an annual presentation to Scrutiny and we could do this at our Annual Conference, with a follow up meeting. Action: Gerry and Julia to liaise with Donna to write and put these options to the CSP Scrutiny Panel and also to inform them of possible CSP merger options.</p>
6.	<p>CSP Action Plans These reflect the work of the CSP but are not an exhaustive list of activities. Other agencies are welcome to include information on these. Kevin suggested revisiting the Action Plans when know what we will be doing with Exeter CSP.</p>
7.	<p>CSO reports Julia and Gerry highlighted items from their reports to the group.</p>
8.	<p>Any Other Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Graham asked if a date has been set for the CSP Conference. Wednesday 6 April has been booked. This will be a longer event with an afternoon session and will be held at Broadclyst Victory Hall.
	<p>Date of next meeting Thursday 14 January 2016 at 10.00am in the Committee Room at The Knowle, Sidmouth</p>

To add items to the next agenda please contact Laura Maksymczuk, Community Safety Support Officer, tel: 01884 234997 or email: communitysafety@middevon.gov.uk