



North Ayrshire
Community Planning Partnership

Safer North Ayrshire Partnership

Monday 14 June 2021, 2-3.30pm
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DRAFT SAFER NORTH AYRSHIRE PARTNERSHIP MINUTES

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Present

North Ayrshire Council

Cllr Jim Montgomerie (**Chair**)

Cllr Anthea Dickson – Elected Member

Janeine Barrett - Senior Manager, Homelessness and Community Safety

Shelagh Campbell - Team Manager, Homelessness and Community Safety

Jacqui Greenlees- Community Planning Officer

David MacRitchie - Senior Manager, Criminal Justice Services

Annie Torrance- Manager, CJA

Russell McCutcheon- Executive Director, Place

TACT

Barbara Hastings – Chief Executive, TACT

Kaileigh Brown- Officer, TACT

Police Scotland

CI Brian Shaw (**Vice Chair**)

Sgt Andy Hogg

Scottish Fire and Rescue Services

Colin Clark, LALO

Apologies for Absence

Yvonne Baulk, Head of Physical Environment

Kevin Paterson - Station Officer, Coastguard

Brenda Walker - Lead Officer, Adult Protection

Scott McKenzie - Senior Manager, Protective Services

1. Welcome and Apologies

The Chair welcomed the group and apologies were noted.

2. **Minutes from Meeting held on 7 December 2020**

The minutes from the meeting held on 7 December 2020 were approved. JB updated that she spoke to Comms re Fraud prevention. A press release was circulated across social media. Also spoke to Comms team around a Comms representative on the SNAP. It was agreed this would be Bruce Jackson.

3. **Draft Local Police Plan**

Derek Frew updated on the draft Local Police Plan for 2021-23 to align with Police corporate planning cycle. Assessed most common crime types in North Ayrshire while also taking cognisance of the national priorities. An EqIA has taken place as well as the Public Health Inequalities Checklist- the first of its type in Ayrshire. Great discussion at this meeting. Key discussion was around incorporating The Care Review Promise and a focus on mental health as well as reference to partnership plans. The SNAP Strategy broadly aligns with the focus of the draft Local Police Plan, aside from the inclusion of human trafficking in the SNAP Strategy, due to the local focus of the local plan. Visited the Locality Partnerships as well as Community Planning Partners and will go to PFRC for final sign off.

JB thanked Derek for his input and agreed that it aligns well with the SNAP Strategy. JB is keen to ensure that the SNAP monitoring framework which is in development also aligns with the Local Police Plan. Derek welcomes comments from the SNAP by email if there are any further points.

4. **COVID Response Update**

Opportunity for partners to update on any new activity or ask questions/ make points in relation to Covid response.

AD commented on a backlog of cases going through the court system. Community Justice Scotland have estimated it will be up to 35% above capacity without additional resource. How might this effect other services- for example effects on housing locally and nationally. JB highlighted that Housing First is being expanded, with another 20 at least planned for this year. Early prison discharges were dealt with effectively this year. Services are planning to counteract the additional resource that will be required in future. Community Confidence is important- how best will the SNAP do that? For example, working with Comms and Justice Services. DMcR highlighted Community Orders impact more than Justice Services alone- mental health, housing, addiction services also impacted for example. Reassurance is key for the community that work is underway.

ACTION: Speak to Comms about how we put out a shared message re public confidence and what we are doing. Speak to DMcR and BS.

BS input from a Police Scotland perspective- undertaking surveys on a monthly basis and throughout the 11 months of the Covid pandemic. These have reflected well on local police services. North Ayrshire has seen slightly more challenges with Covid enforcement than East and South Ayrshire, with more fixed penalty notices being issued. Work is underway between partners on the SNAP to identify wider support for residents in this respect.

CC updated that two new members of staff have been taken on that move across the area to support SFRS staff. Community Action Team are available. Were supporting food and prescription deliveries and similar

wok is taking place with East Ayrshire. Trained community staff with vans available if it will be of use to partners. Please get in touch with CC with any questions.

AT also commented on community confidence. Provided reassurance that CJA are looking at a Communications and Engagement Strategy- this is something that national guidance is being developed on also.

5. Partners Update

BH updated that this would be her last meeting. KB will be attending instead as a new joint leader focusing on third sector interface work of TACT. KBs team are carrying out health checks to find out what the priorities are for organisations. Still many concerns about the vulnerable people that smaller organisations support- people don't necessarily know where to go for help. Still lots of volunteers in the community that want to help- developing a way to make this approach more coordinated across the CPP. Met with AT to discuss Positive Steps. Current engagement with community takes place through the Peoples Panel, but is there any additional ways this could take place? Something that captures the key work taking place around Covid. KB setting a new platform on how to engage across the sector- could also link in with Comms to help circulate. Would need to be focused, could also build on the current Community Book approach. The SNAP thanked Barbara for all her work and input to the SNAP and wished her well.

ACTION: Speak to Comms re promotion of services and collation of views on basis of COVID and service access - more discussion off table

DMcR updated in relation to child protection and justice. Unpaid work has been suspended and meetings taking place mostly virtually. All on the child protection register is visited on a weekly basis. Child protection numbers continue to rise- 6% over the last year. A lot of the harm may still be hidden and will only become apparent when Covid restrictions are relaxed. Information about the work of MAPPA was shared to address issues in the community.

AT updated for CJA. Attended the CPSOG to update on the CJ strategic needs assessment on the new CJOIP. Asked partners at the SNAP to complete surveys on how to shape the CJ Partnership. These will be sent out over the next few weeks. JB highlighted that the monitoring framework is being developed and asked that CJA think about how to align the new CJA with SNAP Strategy and monitoring framework in order to make sure partners are reporting the same data.

6. Violence Against Women Update

JB updated on the VAW partnership. Key work around multi-agency risk assessment conference. Working group is now underway to scope out this work. Will update at a future meeting. Continuing to implement the joint COSLA and IS framework. Specsavers have been piloting a safe space in Three Towns which has been successful and is now being expanded to other localities. Tenant Domestic Abuse Policy is being further developed- speaking to other local authorities that have similar policies to put the framework in place. Will update on this at a future meeting.

7. Prevention First

Embedded in to work daily. More staff working from home but joint initiatives to address challenges are still being developed.

BS provided a brief snapshot of Police data. Seen reductions in many areas. Hate Crime has reduced by 16-17% and detection rate has increased. Crimes of dishonesty- there has been an increase in robbery and fraud during the pandemic however there has been a decrease in shoplifting. Housebreaking has decreased over the past five years. Car crime however has increased over the past year. Violent crime has reduced- lowest level of serious assaults ever so far this year. Drug supply detections have increased on the past year. Antisocial behaviour has increased due to Covid breaches being counted under antisocial behaviour. Calls have increased by 29%. Deliberate fire settings from Police data perspective have also significantly reduced. Road casualties have reduced from 133 to 71 over the past year. Domestic abuse levels have also reduced this year; however it is recognised that there could be under reporting due to Covid. Also seen a significant increase in bail breach detections.

In terms of the 98% increase in fraud, partners took place in the national Take Five campaign and circulated information across Ayrshire. The trend in fraud is now reducing.

8. SNAP Strategy Update

This was approved in December and the document is with procurement to be designed to align with LOIP and Council Plan. Chairs foreword is completed and was shared with the SNAP. Partners were asked to get back with any comments by Wednesday. The framework is being developed and will change the way SNAP meetings look moving forward- they will forward the framework and link in with the strategy.

ACTION: Plan a half day focus group to finalise the framework with the SNAP. JG will action this.

9. Areas of focus or concern

BS highlighted that Safer Shores is underway again- the first meeting took place last week. Also preparing for release of lockdown- planning how to integrate with licence premises and the night-time economy, linking with town centre action plans. Campus Officers are still within schools, schools will be returning soon and Campus Officers will be there to support this.

10. Community Planning Partnership Update

JG updated briefly on the attached Community Planning update report. Locality Partnership priorities are currently being refreshed and this will be updated at a future meeting. Additionally, a paper is being prepared for North Ayrshire Council Executive Leadership Team and Community Planning Senior Officers Group in relation to the Safer North Ayrshire Partnership that will suggest inclusion of representatives from Communities and Education on the group, as well as regular inputs from young people

11. AOB – partners area for discussion/action

BS highlighted that plans in place to support football events that are coming up.

Date of next meeting: Monday 15 June 2021, 2pm via Teams