



Cambridgeshire Police & Crime Commissioner

BUSINESS CO-ORDINATION BOARD

MINUTES

Date:	Tuesday 22 October 2013	
Time:	11:00	
Location:	South Cambridgeshire Hall	
Members:	Sir Graham Bright	Police and Crime Commissioner
	Brian Ashton	Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner
	Simon Parr	Chief Constable
	Niki Howard	Chief Finance Officer (Constabulary)
	Dorothy Gregson	Chief Executive
	Colin Luscombe	Head of Estates and Facilities Management (Constabulary)
In Attendance:	Cristina Strood	Head of Policy and Performance
	Anna Horne	Head of Engagement and Communications
	Eve Landon	Policy Officer

Welcome and Apologies

Apologies were received from DCC Alec Wood, ACC Mark Hopkins and Supt. Melanie Dales.

1. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

2. Approval of the minutes from the last meeting held on 25 September 2013

The minutes of the meeting held on 25 September were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

3. Transforming Rehabilitation

It was reported that work was underway to understand how BeNCH could have a joined up approach to the management of offenders. In order to progress this a joint high level offender strategy was being progressed; underpinned by a joint needs assessment.

It was important to consider the impact of rehabilitation changes on other services such as the NHS, social care and the existing One Project. The Board would like to see the savings as societal and not just Criminal Justice related.

Progress was being made with Social Finance who had presented to BeNCH in terms of potential co-commissioning arrangements. This would be discussed further at the Finance Sub-Group.

Resolved:

- (i) *Potential Co-Commissioning arrangements to be discussed at FSG.*
- (ii) *Report back to the Board on developments.*

4. Update on Collaboration

HMIC had recently completed an inspection on the Strategic Policing Requirement. The only area for improvement raised was co-ordination of tasking across local policing, Joint Protective Services and ERSOU.

In terms of on-going collaboration, it was noted that cost savings needed to be closely monitored and brought to the Board's attention.

Cambridgeshire had taken the lead on JPS. The Section 22 is being developed to provide the underpinning governance for this lead force arrangement. It was noted an internal audit was being undertaken to inform robust governance.

Resolved:

- (i) *Section 22A Agreement to be developed*

5. Operational Update

It was noted that:

- crime remained lower than a year ago although there had been a recent increase in crime on a month by month basis.
- Cambridgeshire had seen more improvement than its peers
- Violent crime had gone down
- There was a low level of street robbery,
- Internet crime and low level fraud were at risk of increasing therefore the Constabulary were working on this.

Underreporting of crime, such as shop theft, was discussed. The Constabulary were working with stores to put preventative measures in place and enable appropriate reporting.

In terms of Child Sexual Exploitation cases it was emphasised that appropriate support must be provided to victims and this message had been passed out to the entire force.

Op Endeavour, the enforcement phase of Op Pheasant, had identified 80 vulnerable victims of exploitation by rogue landlords and unlicensed gangmasters. As a result of close multi-agency work many of the victims had received support back into appropriate employment and accommodation. The Commissioner showed desire to meet with Mike Winters to discuss this work.

Resolved:

- (i) *Sir Graham to meet with Mike Winters to discuss Op Pheasant/ Endeavour.*

6. Speeding

The Commissioner welcomed the comprehensive nature of the report, which provided evidence of how seriously the Constabulary took this issue. It was noted that speeding was the most common issue that members of the public raise with the Commissioner. The challenges around enforcing 20mph speed limits were discussed. It was noted that reducing speeding was not just about enforcement. It is important for communities to be supportive to prevent speeding; speed watch provided a means of deterrent not control, as did appropriate transport infrastructure works.

Resolved:

- (i) To note the report.

7. Update on Commissioner Engagement

The report provided evidence of the positive impact of the Outreach Worker's programme of engagement; demonstrating high levels of engagement with the public. It was also noted that monthly surgeries, as well as recent street surgeries, held by the Commissioner were proving helpful. New initiatives including the work with Sainsbury's were noted.

Resolved:

- (i) To note the report

8. To review the minutes of the Finance subgroup meeting held on 26 September 2013

The effective management of the budget was discussed, including the appropriate levels of underspend as the year end was approaching with a reduced budget for 2014/15.

Resolved:

- (i) To note the report

9. To review the minutes of the FEB meeting held on 03 September

The discussion on the future of Bayard Place was considered and the issue referred to FSG.

Resolved:

- (i) To note the report

10. Quarterly Performance Report

Work was being undertaken to ensure that Special Constables were more closely aligned with Regular Police Officers, examples of this being the integration of Specials into neighbourhood teams and more specialist roles. The intention remains to increase the number of Special Constables to 300 by April 2014, in line with the Police and Crime Plan target. This increase should be achieved by January 2014 as there would be an intake in September, November 2013 and January 2014. The

