

Minute of Meeting Safer & Stronger Renfrewshire Thematic Board

Date	Time	Venue
Wednesday, 23 March 2016	10:00	CMR 1, Council Headquarters, Renfrewshire House, Cotton Street, Paisley, PA1 1AN

PRESENT

Councillors Williams (Renfrewshire Council); S Miller (Engage Renfrewshire); K Philips (Renfrewshire Health & Social Care Partnership); O Reid and Y Farquhar (both Renfrewshire Council).

IN ATTENDANCE

D Dagon (Barnardo's); B McEwan, P Sale and T Irvine (All Renfrewshire Council); L King (Scottish Children's Reporters Administration); R Duncan (Scottish Fire and Rescue Service); M Gallacher and F Capaldi (Police Scotland); C Prentice (Victim Support Renfrewshire); and A Cumberland (West College Scotland).

APOLOGIES

S Cruikshank (Forum for Empowering Communities); J Hunter (North Strathclyde Criminal Justice Authority); R Kennedy (Police Scotland); K Stewart (Procurator Fiscal's Office); S MacDougall, D Hawthorn, F Carlin, D Mair and A Conboy (All Renfrewshire Council); L King (Scottish Children's Reporters Administration); P Nelis (Scottish Fire and Rescue); C Prentice (Victim Support Renfrewshire); and A Dick (West College Scotland).

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest intimated prior to the commencement of the meeting.

1 **MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

There was submitted the Minute of the meeting of the Safer & Stronger Renfrewshire Thematic Board held on 3 February, 2016.

It was noted that in relation to Item 3(a) - Review of Strategic Police Priorities, the consultation period had been extended to 29 April 2016.

DECIDED: That the Minute be approved.

2 **ROLLING ACTION LOG**

The Rolling Action Log was submitted for approval.

S&S.02.09.15(5) - UPDATE ON YEAR 1 PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

Y Farquhar intimated that this action was now complete and could be removed from the action log.

DECIDED:

(a) That action S&S.02.09.15(5) be removed from the Action Log; and

(b) That the Action Log be approved.

3 **RENFREWSHIRE ACTION TO ADDRESS CHILD EXPLOITATION AND THE WORK OF THE SAFER CHOICES MISSING SERVICE**

A presentation was given by B McEwan, F Capaldi and D Dagon relative to child sexual exploitation and the work of the Safer Choices Missing service.

The presentation defined child exploitation; identified vulnerability and risk; highlighted the vulnerability factors and risk indicators; detailed the routes into child sexual exploitation; summarised the Rotherham Report and how Renfrewshire responded to the report; indicated key points for Renfrewshire and the service delivery within Renfrewshire; detailed the strategies used to protect young people and the strategic governance that was in place to assist.

DECIDED: That the presentation be noted.

4 **STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT OF SAFER & STRONGER ACTION PLAN**

There was submitted a report by the Director of Community Resources, Renfrewshire Council which provided an update on the recent review of the governance arrangements for public protection in Renfrewshire and highlighted the implications for the Safer & Stronger Thematic Board in terms of the development of the Safer & Stronger Action Plan.

DECIDED:

- a) That the review of governance arrangements for public protection in Renfrewshire be noted;
- b) That the implications arising from the review for the Renfrewshire Safer & Stronger Thematic Board be noted; and
- c) That a future work plan which reflected the work programme arising from the review and the associated strategic priorities for Renfrewshire be agreed.

5 PUBLIC PROTECTION UPDATE

There was submitted a report by the Head of Public Protection, Community Resources, Renfrewshire Council which provided an update on progress across a number of key areas of work overseen by the Community Safety and Public Protection Steering Group, including Counter Terrorism – Prevent; Development of the Daily Tasking process; Development of the Renfrewshire Community Safety Partnership Hub; and Information Sharing Protocol (ISP) for Public Protection. A copy of the agreed terms of reference for the Community Safety and Public Protection Steering Group was attached as Appendix 1 and the recently issued Scottish Local Authorities Counter Terrorism Strategy Prevent Code of Practice was attached as Appendix 2.

DECIDED:

- (a) That the overall progress contained within this report be noted; and
- (b) That Terms of Reference contained within Appendix 1 for the Community Safety and Public Protection Steering Group as previously approved be noted.

6 DEVELOPING A NATIONAL MISSING PERSONS STRATEGY: PROVISION OF RETURN INTERVIEWS

There was submitted a report by the Director of Children's Services relative to the National Missing Persons Steering Group which was currently developing good practice guidance to support the provision of return interviews across Scotland. Each Community Planning Partnership had been asked to co-ordinate a survey response to gather information about current practice and a copy of Renfrewshire CPP's response was attached as an appendix to the report.

DECIDED: That the Community Planning Partnership response to the Provision of Return Interviews survey be noted.

7 SAFE KIDS VIP EVENT 2016

There was submitted a report by the Director of Community Resources which provided an update on the Safe Kids 2016 event which was delivered from 7–11 March and 14-7 March 2016, with workshop sessions being run twice per day at the Paisley 2021 Stadium (formerly the St Mirren Stadium).

The report indicated that the Safe Kids event was a unique learning programme, coordinated by Community Resources, which had been running in Renfrewshire for over 10 years and delivered educational messages relating to a range of safety issues to

every Primary 6 pupil in Renfrewshire. Messages were delivered by Community Safety partners via short ten minute workshops.

DECIDED: That the report be noted.

8 CHOICES FOR LIFE EVENT

There was submitted a report by Police Scotland which provided an update on the Choices for Life, Paisley Event, 2016 to take place on 23 March, 2016 at the Paisley 2021 Stadium (formerly St Mirren's Stadium).

The report advised that Choices for Life was an innovative diversionary and educational initiative aimed at raising awareness amongst young people, aged 11-18, about the dangers of substance use and misuse in relation to smoking, alcohol and drugs. It also offered online safety advice on how to deal with negative peer pressure. The Choices for Life brand and associated products had been designed in conjunction with young people throughout Scotland as well as partners in Young Scot, as well as Health and Education. The program was supported by Police Scotland, with Force engagement facilitated by the Specialist Crime Division, Safer Communities.

DECIDED: That the report be noted.

9 COMMUNITY SAFETY UPDATE

There was submitted an update report by the Director of Community Resources, Renfrewshire Council on progress to deliver a range of initiatives linked to environmental enforcement and improvement activities; protecting vulnerable residents; building safer communities; diversionary activities; and the development of the integrated control room and CCTV.

DECIDED: That the report be noted.

10 RENFREWSHIRE PUBLIC SERVICES PANEL 2015 REPORT

There was submitted a report by the Director of Community Resources providing an overview of results from the winter 2015/16 Renfrewshire Public Services Panel survey which consulted panel members on council services, anti-social behaviour, community pay back orders, empowering communities and adult protection. The report also provided a summary analysis on the issues which impacted on the Safer and Stronger Renfrewshire outcomes.

DECIDED: That the report be noted.