



The Safer Rotherham
PARTNERSHIP

Safer Rotherham Partnership (SRP) Board
Monday 09 April 2018 at 3.00pm
Meeting Room 2, Wing B – 4th Floor, Riverside House

Present

Cllr Emma Hoddinott (Chair)	RMBC Cabinet – Lead Member for Community Safety
Cllr Alan Atkin	South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Authority
Steve Adams	Group Manager for Rotherham South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service
Sam Barstow	RMBC Head of Service, Community Safety, Resilience and Emergency Planning
Helena Bland (Minutes)	RMBC Community Safety/Anti-Social Behaviour Unit
Stephen Carroll	Deputy Director, South Yorkshire Community Rehabilitation Company
Supt Stephen Chapman	South Yorkshire Police
Malc Chiddey	RMBC Public Health Specialist
Samantha Housley	Operations Manager, Victim Support South Yorkshire
Shafiq Hussain	Director of Partnerships, Services and Programmes, Voluntary Action Rotherham
Sharon Kemp	RMBC Chief Executive
Linda Mayhew	Business Manager, South Yorkshire Criminal Justice Board and on behalf of the Office of Police and Crime Commissioner
Ruth Nutbrown	Assistant Chief Officer, NHS Rotherham Clinical Commissioning Group
Ch Supt Rob O'Dell	South Yorkshire Police
Steve Parry	RMBC Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour Manager
Vicky Schofield	RMBC Head of Service First Response, Children and Young People's Service
Tom Smith	RMBC Assistant Director, Community Safety and Streetscene

Apologies

Sally Adegbembo	Head of Probation for National Probation Service in Doncaster and Rotherham
Lee Berry	South Yorkshire Police
Amanda Cullen	Director, South Yorkshire Community Rehabilitation Company
Chris Edwards	Chief Officer, NHS Rotherham Clinical Commissioning Group
Leigh Garbett	National Community Manager for FORTEM
Commissioner Mary Ney	RMBC
David McWilliams	RMBC Assistant Director, Early Help and Children's Services
Steve Preston	National Community Operations Director for FORTEM
Terri Roche	RMBC Director, Public Health
Richard Smith	RMBC Interim Assistant Director for Adult Services
Ian Thomas	RMBC Strategic Director, Children and Young People's Services
Damien Wilson	RMBC Strategic Director, Regeneration and Environment Services
Cheryl Wynn	Partnership and Project Officer, Office of Police and Crime Commissioner

1. Introductions and Apologies

1.1 Introductions were made around the table and apologies noted as detailed above

2. Members Declaration of Interest

2.1 There were no declarations of interest

3. Minutes of the SRP Board meeting held on 05 February 2018

3.1 The minutes of the SRP Board meeting held on 05 February 2018 were agreed as a true and accurate record of proceedings subject to the following note;

At the February's Board meeting Linda Mayhew had been in attendance for South Yorkshire Criminal Justice Board and on behalf of the Office of Police and Crime Commissioner

4. Matters arising from SRP Board meeting held on 05 February 2018

4.1 Please refer to action schedule

5. Health Check update

5.1 A report along with accompanying appendices on the Health Check conducted by Blackburn and Darwen Council in May 2017 were circulated to Board members prior to the meeting on behalf of Sam Barstow, Community Safety, Resilience and Emergency Planning

5.2 It was explained 29 areas of recommendation/learning had been identified for the Partnership by Blackburn and Darwen Council. In October 2017, this Board were presented with a report to address the recommendations which focused on 5 key areas. Since October a range of activity has taken place the majority of which had been completed but there were some areas where further work is necessary

5.3 Comments were invited and the following points were raised around;

- resources/joint commissioning – being clear on priorities earlier in order to allocate funding and a mapping of resources from services and how these can be utilised to meet the priorities
- end dates of current commissioned contracts
- community safety issues within the voluntary/community sector and operational engagement within SRP

Agreed: 1) That the information is noted

2) **Action:** Sam Barstow to request priority leads to carry out a mapping exercise on what work is being commissioned by services and to identify any gaps in provision in order to have an informed decision going forward

3) **Action:** Shafiq Hussain to contact the voluntary/community agencies regarding operational engagement and feedback on the recent SRP priority setting event

4) The commissioning process is to be an agenda item for the June's Board

6. Multi-Agency Meeting Review update

6.1 A report and a number of supplementary appendices on the multi-agency meeting structures had been circulated to Board members prior to the meeting on behalf of Sam Barstow, Community Safety, Resilience and Emergency Planning and contained the following recommendations:

That

- The SRP Board approve the proposed multi-agency meeting structures
- The SRP Board seeks to review the structure at an appropriate interval, either 6 or 12months

6.2 A review of the Case Identification Meetings (CIMs) has been ongoing since January 2017. A brief overview was given on the updates that have taken place. It was noted that additional work had taken place on a Ward level regarding concerns raised by elected members; these had now been addressed

6.3 It was highlighted that the vulnerable adult referral mechanism (VARM) is crucial for vulnerable people and will sit as part of the regular structured process. Going forward the VARM will become the community multi-agency risk assessment conference (MARAC) and will deal with victim, offender and location. The community MARACs are being used nationally and are being explored by various partners across South Yorkshire.

6.4 It is anticipated that the Ward meetings will commence by the end of April/early May 2018 with a review of the meetings taking place after a 3 month period. Subject to approval (today) of the new priorities the new structure will link in to the building stronger communities

Agreed: 1) That the information is noted

2) Approval was given by the Board to the recommendations as detailed with an amendment that the Ward level meetings be reviewed after 3 months and a full review of the overall structure at 6 months

3) **Action:** Sam Barstow to review the issue of engagement and to make sure commitment is provided from the partner agencies. The Board are to be informed of any gaps/concerns

7. SRP Priority Setting Event update

7.1 A report on the draft priorities 2018/19 and a number of appendices for the approval of the SRP Board had been circulated to Board members prior to the meeting on behalf of Sam Barstow, Community Safety, Resilience and Emergency Planning and contained the following recommendations:

That

- The SRP Board agrees the Priorities, Objective Area and Outcomes for year 2018/19, contained in section 11 of the report
- The SRP Board agrees the Priorities for a period of three years (2012 to 2021) and reviews the objective areas in the line with the annual Joint Strategic Intelligence Assessment (JSIA)
- Objective leads are appointed from the remaining statutory partners not yet represented within the priority or objective area leads
- The grant funding framework, attached as appendix E, is approved for release

7.2 Members were reminded that agreement had been given in October 2017 for changes around the priority setting process which included a broader data set, wider consultation and greater engagement with the voluntary/community sector organisations. Evidence base was provided from Police and Council data and 2 consultation events took place (with young people and elected members). A final priority setting event was held in March 2018 which led to the following 5 suggested priority areas;

- Protecting vulnerable children
- Protecting vulnerable adults
- Building confident and cohesive communities
- Domestic abuse and other related offences
- Criminal damage, anti-social behaviour and arson

7.3 At the meeting Board members had made it clear that in protecting vulnerable children child sexual exploitation is a sub section and that clear reference is required. Anti-social behaviour will be a sub section of building confident and cohesive communities. Objective areas and

outcomes along with some priority leads were suggested for the priority areas. Further support was requested from partner organisations in terms of priority leads and gaps regarding objective leads

7.4 It was observed sexual offences had been a priority last year was not ranked as a priority action going forward. A suggestion was made for further work take place in order to see what the current demands/levels and concerns are around these offences. Members were made aware that for child rape and sexual abuse this sits firmly under statutory safeguarding functions. From further discussions it was decided that sexual offences be captured priority area for protecting vulnerable adults and protecting vulnerable children

7.5 Modern slavery is not mentioned or featured as priority. To obtain a better understanding of what the issues are both nationally and locally around modern slavery it was requested that a paper be provided for June's Board meeting

Agreed: 1) That the information is noted

2) That approval is given by the Board to the recommendations as detailed above with the exception of the grant funding framework which is to be differed until the questions under the multi-agency pending review around commissioning

3) **Action:** Ruth Nutbrown to look at the possibility of a senior representative from the Health service to become a priority lead

4) **Action:** Steve Adams to look at the possibility of a senior representative from the Fire service becoming a priority lead

5) **Action:** Sam Barstow to discuss with Vicky Schofield the priority lead for protecting vulnerable children

6) **Action:** Sam Barstow to place sexual offences under each objective area for protecting vulnerable adults and vulnerable children

7) **Action:** Sam Barstow to present a paper on the Modern slavery; this to be an agenda item for June's Board meeting

8. Performance

➤ Performance update

8.1 A copy of the SRP annual report had been circulated to Board members prior to the meeting on behalf of Supt Chapman

8.2 Board members were taken through the key points:

- Total crime trend in Rotherham – over a 5 year period overall reported crime in Rotherham has remained steady up to July 2016. From July 2016 Force wide a significant increase can be seen and is due to the Crime Data Integrity review (a more accurate way of recording crime). A decrease in overall crime can be seen from December 2017
- Total incidents in Rotherham over a 4 year period have decreased – incidents reported to SY Police have reduced by 4% over the last twelve months
- Total crime for a Rotherham has increased by 20%. The Force wide the figure is higher at 51%
- Overall satisfaction rates for Rotherham are comparable with the Force at 79%. This ranks Rotherham twenty five out of forty two forces
- Priority 1: Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE) – for Rotherham there has been an increase of 17% in total CSE cases; the Force has increased by 21%
- Priority 2: Building Confident and Cohesive Communities – for Rotherham there has been an increase in Hate Crime of 33% and hate incidents has reduced by 47% compared to Force wide figures of 41% and 45% respectively. Work is taking place around outcome rates

- Priority 3: Reducing the Threat of Domestic Abuse (DA) and Harm to victims – the total DA crimes in Rotherham have increased by 28% in the last year. Across the Force this is higher at 53%. The satisfaction rate for Rotherham is down significantly compared to the Force. Further work is required to ascertain an explanation
- Priority 4: Reducing and Managing Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) and Criminal Damage – for total ASB Rotherham is down by 27%; Force is down 25%. It is hoped the new multi-agency structure will help to improve this
- Priority 5: Reducing Violent Crime and Sexual Offences – violence against the person is up 42% compared with 39% Force wide. This is around the violence without injury where the recording of crime has changed. There has been an increase in sexual offences

8.4 Board members again noted the lack of up to date data relating to outcomes, which is a critical area of business. South Yorkshire Police noted the concerns and explained that significant work is on-going to resolve the issue, which is impacting the whole force.

➤ **SRP Budget update**

8.3 At February's meeting the Board sought clarity to whether some of the remaining underspend be carried over into the next financial year. The Office of Police and Crime Commissioner have agreed to the request. An amount of £4,700.00 is to be added to the financial year 2018/19

8.4 A full evaluation of projects for 2017/18 will be provided for June's Board meeting

Agreed: That the information is noted

9. Priority Lead updates

9.1 The Priority Theme Group updates had been circulated to Board members prior to the meeting

9.2 Members were drawn to the key issues for the SRP Board:

- Effective commencement of Building Confident and Cohesive communities work
- Positive reductions in ASB potentially linked to PSPO
- Successful DA Peer review
- Sexual violence arrest rates are low
- CSE workshop to revise strategy and action – offer of presentation
- DA – Progressing delivery of 'single front door' within RMBC. Arrest rates are low

Agreed: That the information is noted

10. Items to escalate to other Boards

10.1 There were no items for escalation to other Boards

11. Any Other Business

11.1 There no other items of business for discussion

12. Future meeting date

12.1 SRP Board meeting – Monday 11 June 2018 at 3.00pm, Meeting Room 2, Wing B – 4th Floor, Riverside House, Rotherham S60 1AE

12.2 Agenda items for June are meeting:

- SRP Annual report
- Commissioning process
- Bradford peer review update on domestic abuse front door service
- Modern Slavery paper