

**CHARNWOOD COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP  
WEDNESDAY, 29TH SEPTEMBER 2021 AT 1:30PM  
ON MICROSOFT TEAMS  
AGENDA**

<b>Present:</b>	Councillor Leigh Harper-Davies	Charnwood Borough Council
	Matt Allingham	Leicestershire Police
	Matthew Oswin	Leicestershire Police
	Maddie Clay	Leicestershire and Rutland Probation Trust
	Ant Dales	Loughborough University
	Mandeep Ruprai	Turning Point
	Ioni Ashford	Loughborough BID
	Anita Chavda	Leicestershire County Council
	Eileen Mallon	Charnwood Borough Council
	Peter Oliver	Charnwood Borough Council
	Tim McCabe	Charnwood Borough Council
	Allison Fadesco	Charnwood Borough Council
	Andrew Staton	Charnwood Borough Council
	Claire Westrup	Charnwood Borough Council
	Sally Watson (minutes)	Charnwood Borough Council

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from the following:

Julie Robinson	Charnwood Borough Council
Rob Kitson	Leicestershire Fire and Rescue Service
Hazel Sandal	Violence Reduction Network
Steve McCue	West Leicestershire CCG

2. APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIR

No formal decision was made with regards to the appointment of the Vice-Chair of the Community Safety Partnership for the remainder of 2021/22.

3. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 20th May 2021 were approved.

4. ACTION LOG

Updates from the actions of the meeting held on 20th May 2021 were reviewed and updates were provided as follows:

**COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP****ACTION LOG****20TH MAY 2021**

<b>Meeting Date</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Complete By</b>
200521 Item 7	<p>Matt Allingham to liaise with Tim McCabe and colleagues in data management and the OPCC in order to provide comparable data for 3 years on performance.</p> <p><i>Complete – it was highlighted that the process of recording data had changed. The data presented was comparable to periods pre-covid.</i></p> <p><i>A quarterly comparison against previous years was requested.</i></p>	M Allingham/Tim McCabe
200521 Item 7	<p>Steve McCue to liaise with the VRN to identify correlations between mental health conditions and violent crime as reported, and to understand the use of ambulance and Paramedic services in violent crime reporting.</p> <p><i>No update was provided.</i></p>	S McCue
200521 Item 13	<p>Maddie Clay of the Probation Services reports information on what the Probation Services provides at the next meeting of the CSP, in anticipation that there could be some partnership working to assist with the Ex-Offenders Charter supported by the OPCC.</p> <p><i>This would be provided later in the meeting.</i></p>	Maddie Clay
200521 Item 13	<p>Sajan Devshi enquire about the evaluation of the Warwick Way and Dishley area Safer Streets programme and feedback to Tim McCabe as soon as possible.</p> <p><i>No update was provided.</i></p>	S Devshi
200521 Item 14	<p>Police and Crime Commissioner, Rupert Matthews be invited to a future meeting of the CSP.</p> <p><i>Complete – the PCC was able to attend the meeting of the CSP in February 2022.</i></p>	Clerk
200521 Item 15	<p>An update on the CSP review be added to the forward programme for the next meeting.</p> <p><i>Complete – an update would be provided later in the meeting.</i></p>	Clerk

**AGREED**

1. That Matt Allingham to liaise with colleagues in data management and the OPCC in order to provide comparable quarterly data for 3 years on performance.

2. Chair to circulate letter through the Clerk emphasizing the importance of representation at meetings to relevant partners.

*An agenda variance was requested, and it was agreed that the Leicestershire County Council update would take place earlier in the meeting.*

12. LEICESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL UPDATE (A. Chavda)

An update regarding Leicestershire County Council matters that impact on Charnwood was provided. The following summarises the discussion:

- i. The CSP had contributed heavily on the LLR Community Triggers Policy and it was considered to be a more robust approach.
- ii. The satisfaction rate of hate crime victims in Charnwood was 70.8%. It was suggested that this information be tracked and incorporated into performance statistics.
- iii. The ASB Sentinel Co-Ordinator would be responsible for ensuring effective co-operation between districts and take ownership of Sentinel across the organisations. In addition the post holder would also lead on the work involving SOG. The funding for this post was provided across nine partners including district councils and the Police.
- iv. The Partnership had been invited to join the Hate Strategic Group and members of the group were encouraged to nominate themselves to represent the Partnership at these meetings.

**AGREED:** That the satisfaction rate of hate crime victims be incorporated into performance statistics.

5. CSP REVIEW UPDATE

An update on the CSP review was provided. The following summarises the key points and discussion:

- i. Workstreams identified as part of the review included data recording and management, internal operations at Charnwood Borough Council and case management. This ensured that the end-to-end process was being reviewed and that residents would see improvements as a result of the review.
- ii. The work involved in the CSP review was progressing well to and was anticipated to be complete in early 2022.
- iii. It was highlighted that one of the key findings at this stage in the review was that some partners were unsure of the role of the CSP and how their organisation was incorporated within the Partnership. It was recognised that the purpose of the Partnership should be better established and communicated.
- iv. It was recognised that the Partnership was not currently working to maximum effect as some partners were not fully engaged.

## 6. PERFORMANCE UPDATE (M. Oswin/ A. Fadesco)

A presentation detailing Charnwood performance figures was provided. The following summarises the key points:

- i. Increases in crime against the same period in 2020/21 (April-June) included total crime (+21%), shoplifting (+39%), robbery (+91%), cycle theft (+195%), violence against the person with injury (+32%), public place serious violence (+118.7%) and hate crime (+62%).
- ii. Crime reductions against the same period in 2020/21 (April-June) included residential burglary (-8%), business/community burglary (-36%), theft from motor vehicle (-53%), theft of motor vehicle (-21%), anti-social behaviour- STORM data (-31.3%) and anti-social behaviour – Sentinel (-3.2%).
- iii. Loughborough Town Centre had the highest number of crimes, followed by Loughborough East and Syston and Thurmaston and surrounding villages.
- iv. Anstey had an 89% increase in crime against the same period in 2020/21 (April-June). Public Order Offences were the most common crimes. It was considered that the increase in crime could be due to Covid-19 lockdown restrictions being removed. In addition, in one instance, the same crime was reported by a number of victims that were present at the scene.
- v. Rape offences had increased by 100%. One of the potential reasons for this increase was considered to be due to the development of an online system allowing sexual offences to be recorded anonymously, increasing reporting. This system did not allow Police to identify victims or perpetrators, or to make enquiries.
- vi. On seven occasions, a victim had reported a sexual assault and later withdrew, claiming that the assault had not occurred. These reports would be filed with no further action.
- vii. On a few occasions, a third party has reported a sexual assault on behalf of a victim that did not want to engage with the Police.
- viii. The sharp increase in cycle theft (+195%) was considered to be the result of an organised group and also due to the easing of Covid-19 lockdown restrictions. Members of the organised group had been identified and charged. Covert teams had also been deployed to focus on this issue.
- ix. Domestic incidents had increased by 16.5%. Stalking and harassment was the most common crime amongst these incidents.
- x. It was highlighted that the Falcon Centre was planning to recruit a community engagement officer to work within the Town Centre. The role would include helping individuals under the influence of drugs through outreach work. Funding arrangements to facilitate this role were being considered.

- xi. The areas with the highest increase in anti-social behaviour – STORM data were Shepshed, Sileby and Loughborough Town Centre.
- xii. There was a significant disparity between anti-social behaviour recorded on STORM and anti-social behaviour recorded on Sentinel. This was considered to be due to the STORM system being available only to the Police and the Sentinel system being available to a variety of organisations.
- xiii. Key actions highlighted to improve crime statistics were identified as;
  - Implementing supportive measures to assist with the effectiveness of the LCDG and LEDG
  - Multiagency refocus on the Charnwood CSP Drugs Strategy
  - Analysis in respect of violent offences, Hate related offences and sexual offences.
  - Reviewing student related ASB case recording/ management process
  - Increasing partnership focus on Operation Lexical
  - Enhancing training for ASB practitioners within the CSP
- xiv. The effective partnership working involved in data reporting and overcoming issues was highlighted and it was recognised that the work of the partnership had continued to make positive changes to the community.
- xv. It was requested that Performance updates including information on a three-year comparison on violence statistics in order for the Partnership to develop a better understanding of trends and possible opportunities to work more closely with the Violence Reduction Network.

## **AGREED**

1. That supportive measures were implemented to assist with the effectiveness of the LCDG and LEDG.
2. That a multiagency refocus on the Charnwood CSP Drugs Strategy be undertaken.
3. That analysis in respect of violent offences, hate related offences and sexual offences continue to be undertaken.
4. That a review of student related ASB case recording/ management processes be undertaken

5. That the partnership increases focus on Operation Lexical
6. That training for ASB practitioners was enhanced within the CSP.
7. That Performance Updates including information on a three-year comparison on violence statistics.

## 7. DELIVERY GROUP UPDATES

### a) Strategic Group (T. McCabe)

An update including a funding update incorporating the Partnership Locality Fund for 2021/22 was provided. The following summarises the discussion:

It was recognised that drug misuse was a significant issue in the Borough and particularly in Loughborough.

A perceived increase in drug use could potentially be due to the issue becoming more prevalent than in the past and that there were not necessarily increasing numbers of individuals taking drugs.

### b) JAG Delivery Group (M. Allingham)

An update on the JAG including quarterly action plan updates was provided. The following summarises the discussion:

An outcome-focussed CSP plan would be drafted in the coming months and would include aspects of the Hate Strategy and serious violence.

It was suggested that before each meeting of the CSP the action plan would be reviewed by members of group managing the JAG and the Chair.

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## 8. LEICESTERSHIRE PROBATION SERVICE (M.Clay)

A update on the work of the probation service was provided. The following summarises the discussion:

- i. It was highlighted that there was little information available on reoffending rates within the Borough. The data available to the Probation Service was not Borough-based and so it was difficult to analyse on this basis. It was suggested that ways to identify reoffending data for Charnwood be investigated.
- ii. It was advised that liaising with the Probation Service to identify the Offender Manager could benefit the preparation of licensing conditions of individuals leaving prison. It was agreed that T McCabe, M Oswin

and M Clay meet outside of the meeting in order to discuss this process.

## **AGREED**

1. That ways to identify reoffending data for Charnwood be investigated.
2. That T McCabe, M Oswin and M Clay meet outside of the meeting in order to discuss the process of preparing licensing conditions for individuals leaving the prison service.

### 9. VIOLENCE REDUCTION NETWORK (H.Sandal)

There was no update provided on the work of the VRN at the meeting.

*Post meeting note:*

*An update was provided following the meeting:*

- *There was an increase between April-June, with a peak in June.*
- *From July to date this has decreased to more normal levels.*
- *This pattern has been consistent across the LLR and is not unique to Charnwood, it also aligns to Covid-19 restrictions lifting earlier in the year.*
- *The most prevalent offence is Assault Causing Actual Bodily Harm, which due to Home Office Recording Standards can incorporate low level injuries.*
- *Loughborough Town is consistently where there is higher prevalence which is an on-going trend, though it must be noted the offence volumes are relatively low.*
- *Charnwood CSP are supporting the new Community Mentoring Project, which is currently being commissioned. The project is being funded through the VRN, OPCC, City and Charnwood and an invite has been sent to Charnwood to participate in the interviews of potential providers.*

### 10. TURNING POINT (M. Ruprai)

An update detailing substance misuses trends was provided. The following summarises the discussion:

The Harm Reduction Support Officer at the Falcon Centre was responsible for engaging individuals into treatment. The frequency and nature of outreach work was not clear and it was advised that liaising with colleagues at the

Falcon Centre would be beneficial in order to develop a better understanding of the role.

11. LOUGHBOROUGH STUDENTS STREET SUPPORT SCHEME AND LOUGHBOROUGH UNIVERSITY UPDATE (A. Dales)

An update regarding Loughborough University matters including the Student Street Support scheme was provided. The following summarises the discussion:

- i. The start of the new academic year had begun and students were required to undertake testing for Covid-19 prior to moving onto and around campus and then again once they have arrived in Loughborough. Students were not able to move into or around campus if they test positive. Testing was repeated again after three days and then weekly.
- ii. Fresher's events had gone ahead as planned with no issues.
- iii. There had been a number of noise complaints during Fresher's Week, but there had been fewer than in previous years. Partnership working with the Council and the Student Street Support Scheme was due to continue in order to overcome any issues relating to student ASB. An external company was being used in order to recruit students to work on the scheme. This was to improve the impact of the project and to ensure there were sufficient number of volunteers available to support the scheme.

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An update regarding Leicestershire County Council matters that impact on Charnwood was provided earlier in the meeting.

13. POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER UPDATE

There was no update provided on the work of the OPCC at the meeting.

14. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

15. FORWARD PROGRAMME AND MEETING DATES FOR 2021/22

A report to enable the Partnership to consider and manage its forward programme of work was provided.

It was highlighted that the Police and Crime Commissioner Crime Plan would be beneficial for the CSP to review. It was suggested that this be added to the forward programme of work for the CSP in order to ensure the CSP Plan is aligned to the Police and Crime Commissioner Crime Plan.

**AGREED** that the PCC Crime Plan be reviewed by the CSP at the next available meeting.



Previously agreed further meeting dates for 2021/22 are as follows:

Thursday 10th February 2022

The meetings will commence at 10.00 am and venues will be confirmed.