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MEETING OF CAUSEWAY COAST & GLENS POLICING & COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP MEETING held in Cloonavin and

Via MS Teams held

on Thursday 1st Sept 2022 at 2pm

In the Chair: Alderman Adrian McQuillan(C),

Present

Elected Members: Mayor Ivor Wallace (R), Ald George Duddy (C), Councillor Oliver McMullan (R), Councillor Sandra Hunter(R), Councillor Leanne Peacock(R), Councillor Brenda Chivers(R), Leanne Abernethy, Lee Kane, Sam McGregor(R), Neal Jagoe (R), Patricia McQuillan(R), Caroline White (R).

In Attendance:

Statutory Agencies: Natasha Stewart (Housing Executive) (R) and Chief Inspector Louise Cummings (PSNI)

Officers Present: J Welsh (Head of Service, Community and Culture) (C), M Lemon (PCSP Officer) (C), Z Curry (Business Support Officer) (R), S Fol (Business Support Admin) (C) and ICT Support (C).

Guest Speaker: Sharon Burnett - Causeway & Mid-Ulster Women's Aid (C).

Apologies: Derek McDonald, Cllr Ashleen Schenning, Cllr Darryl Wilson, Steven Chambers, Adele Tomb, Deidre Bradley (EANI), Superintendent Jeremy Lindsay (PSNI), Chief Inspector Sinead McIlldowney (PSNI), Erin Higgins (YJA) and Jonny Donaghy.

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

The Chair welcomed everyone to the September meeting. The Chair stated that on behalf of the PCSP Partnership sympathy is extended to J. Donaghy following the recent family bereavement.

2. APOLOGIES

A roll call was taken and apologies were noted as above.

3. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

The following Conflicts of Interest were noted:

Ald. G. Duddy declared a conflict of interest with item 8.2 as a recipient of PCSP Grants.

L. Abernethy declared a conflict of interest with item 8.2 as a recipient of PCSP Grants.

Ald. A. McQuillan declared a conflict of interest with item 8.2 as a recipient of PCSP Grants.

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4. PRESENTATION FROM SHARON BURNETT- INSIGHT OF WORK CARRIED OUT BY CAUSEWAY & MID-ULSTER WOMEN'S AID USING PCSP FUNDING

S. Burnett gave a presentation Teenage Healthy Relationship Programme for teenagers across the district. S. Burnett stated how the Women's Aid appreciate the support PCSP has given via this grant which helped fund additional hours of support and has been extremely beneficial.

The Chair thanked S. Burnett for attending. A discussion took place and some of the following points were raised.

- Ald McQuillan raised a question in relation to the geographical spread of the fourteen schools and if the programme was hitting all areas
S. Burnett confirmed that it did cover the Causeway Coast and Glens Borough.
- Cllr McMullan asked how the Glens area are catered for as the majority of children go to St. Killians. PCSP Officer confirmed that the Mid & East Antrim Council also provide the same programme and will confirm this to Cllr McMullan.
- L. Kane asked if there were any new trends or surprises coming up from the sessions. S Burnett advised that young people were keyed into the issues relating to consent and it was good to see real interest in this area.
- L. Kane enquired about how this data can be used in relation to the Relationship and Sexualities Education. S. Burnett advised that this is a larger piece of work and would be keen to push Education Authority to carry out.
- Clnsp Cummings asked if there were any signs of a misogynistic approach because of influencers via social media. S. Burnett assured her that there was no sign of this in schools and that it would be good if this was addressed from an early age.

5. MINUTES OF PCSP PARTNERSHIP BOARD MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 7TH JULY 2022 (ITEM 5 ATTACHED)

Minutes of PCSP Board meeting held on 7th July 2022 were approved as a true and accurate record.

Proposed by S. McGregor

Seconded by Ald. G. Duddy

6.UPDATE BY STATUTORY PARTNERS

NIHE had provided report 6.1.

Ald G. Duddy good to have the breakdown regarding the live cases of ASB in the area. He asked if it possible to know the areas of the ASB. NIHE advised that the ongoing cases related to neighbourhood disputes and will clarify where the live cases are in the borough. Cllr. McMullan asked for an update regarding checking postal drops. NIHE advised that these are reported via the local office and will check with the local office.

EANI report 6.2, previously circulated. Ald. G. Duddy enquired if it was possible to find out what funding is available in the Heights area/West Bann.

L. Abernethy stated that if the PCSP have not received written reports from the Statutory Agencies prior to the meeting then a verbal update should be provided.

L. Abernethy also suggested that it would also be beneficial to know who is attending the meetings from respective statutory partner agencies.

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7. POLICING COMMITTEE

CInsp Louise Cummings gave an update on report item 7 relating to recent quarter figures in relation to Drugs and ASB.

A discussion took place and some of the following points were raised.

- Ald. A. McQuillan asked if more information was being provided by the community to the police and if we can get permanent longer term Neighbourhood Inspectors. There are three new officers starting however, these are temporary. S McGregor enquired who the NPT Inspector is in Limavady. CI Cummings confirmed that it is D. Roxburgh.
- Cllr. B. Chivers raised the issue of ASB in Coolessan area in Limavady and asked if there was any chance of getting more patrols out especially at weekends. CI Cummings advised that she would speak to the Superintendent about this and that this was concerning. Cllr B. Chivers also raised an issue regarding parking at the Integrated School, Roe Mill Road and CI Cummings advised about getting crew to drive by Ritter Road regarding this.
- L. Abernethy stated that it had made a real difference having the NPT back out in Ballymoney resulting in a reduction in paramilitary activities, adding that teams are underestimated. CI Cummings confirmed that teams are stretched and wants to see policing teams out on foot gathering intelligence. Possibly looking at getting electric bikes. CI Cummings putting forward to have "Street briefings" with a neighbourhood focus for engagement opportunities in the area.
- Ald G. Duddy raised concern over what is posted on Facebook. It is alleged that prescription drugs are an issue but have heard very little about ASB in the Heights area. Reported incidents of ASB in Weavers Court area and Killowen Play Park. Figures in Heights area are 3 years old but need to be up to date. It is good to see a reduction in ASB in Coleraine. Ald Duddy would like up to date figures to go out and would be interested in getting feedback on this. CI Cummings said incidents had heightened between April-June 22 and is hoping to see face to face connections again and get these meetings going.
- L. Kane thanked the officers for their engagement at the Lammas fair. About 2000 PCSP goodie bags were given out and he thanked Melissa for facilitating this. Good feedback was received regarding these bags.
- L. Abernethy raised concerns that some Community Groups create issues when it is time for funding, with no back up or statistics relating to these concerns.
- Cllr McMullan raised concerned that he has met the NHW co-ordinator, and they have never had a call from Neighbourhood Policing Teams in the Glens. C I Cummings will request that NH Neighbourhood Policing contact Cllr McMullan.

8. PCSP ACTION PLAN 21/22

8.1 PCSP Project Working Group Terms of Reference. (Previously Circulated)

"Persons may be co-opted to the working group who are not members of the PCSP. Any person so co-opted may not vote on any matter."

It was agreed to remove this point from the Terms of Reference. If advise is required, the Working Group can invite the relevant agency/person to the meeting.

Proposed by Ald. G. Duddy

Seconded by L. Abernethy

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8.2 PCSP Grants

Melissa advised that only two applications for grants had been received despite being widely advertised. If the two applications are successful, will leave £26,500 available plus the £999 grants are open until January.

The various options were discussed.

It was agreed to support Option B2

“Open a large grant of £2,500 with the same guidelines as the small grants but asking one or two more questions but not as complicated as the previous £5,000 application form. (Scoring panel’s recommendation if the larger grants are to open)”

Proposed by L. Kane

Seconded by L. Abernethy

All agreed that Grants Scoring Panel will have a discussion and open this up starting in October and that the Scoring Panel can make necessary changes to the Application.

For information –

8.3 Rural and Urban Crime Prevention.

9. Correspondence (Item 9 For Noting)

No queries regarding the correspondence

10. DATE OF PCSP MEETINGS

Ald McQuillan thanked all who had attended the meeting.

The next meeting of Causeway Coast and Glens PCSP will be held on Thursday 6th October 2022 at 2pm.

DATE	TIME	MEETING
Thursday 3 rd Nov 2022	2pm	PCSP
Thursday 1 st Dec 2022	2pm	PCSP