

COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE

Minute of Meeting of the Community Safety Committee held in the Hay Room, First Floor, Dewar's Centre, Glover Street, Perth on Wednesday 14 January 2015 at 2.00pm.

Present: Councillors J Coburn, H Anderson (substituting for Councillor G Laing), J Giacobazzi, E Maclachlan, A MacLellan, A Munro, C Shiers, L Simpson, A Stewart, H Stewart and M Williamson.

In attendance: J Walker, Executive Director (Housing and Community Care); J Gilruth, M Notman and R Ross (all Housing and Community Care); J Dixon (The Environment Service); Chief Superintendent E Smith and Chief Inspector M Whitford (both Police Scotland); Group Manager R Middlemiss, Station Manager E Baird and Station Manager S Symon (all Scottish Fire and Rescue Service); C Flynn and L Brown (both Chief Executive's Service).

Also in Attendance: Councillor J Kellas, B Malone, Chief Executive, E Oswald, MAPPA Coordinator (Tayside).

Apologies for Absence: Councillors R Brock, D Pover and G Laing.

Councillor Coburn, Vice-Convener, Presiding.

11. WELCOME

The Vice-Convener welcomed all those present to the meeting. Apologies for absence were noted as above.

12. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest made in terms of the Councillors' Code of Conduct.

13. MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minute of meeting of the Community Safety Committee of 5 November 2014 (Arts. 724-735) was submitted, approved as a correct record and authorised for signature.

14. PERTH AND KINROSS COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP – COMMUNITY SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENT GROUP

(i) Minute of Meeting of Community Safety and Environment Group of 15 August 2014

The minute of meeting of the Community Safety and Environment Group of 15 August 2015 was submitted and noted.

(ii) Minute of Special Meeting of the Community Safety and Environment Group of 2 October 2014

The minute of special meeting of the Community Safety and Environment Group of 2 October 2014 was submitted and noted.

(iii) Update on the Community Safety and Environment Group

There was submitted and noted a briefing report by the Depute Director (Housing and Community Care) (15/5) providing a summary of recent business considered by the Community Planning – Community Safety and Environment Group on 21 November 2014.

15. ARRANGEMENTS FOR MANAGING HIGH RISK OFFENDERS – MULTI-AGENCY PUBLIC PROTECTION ARRANGEMENTS (MAPPA) ANNUAL REPORT 2013-2014

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Environment) (15/6) providing a summary of the sixth Annual Report on arrangements for managing high risk of harm offenders across Tayside for the period 1 April 2013 to 31 March 2014.

Resolved:

The contents of Report 15/6 and the MAPPA Annual Report 2014-15 appended be noted.

16. SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT STRATEGY TO ERADICATE VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND GIRLS

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Housing and Community Care) (15/7): (1) advising of “Equally Safe”, a Scottish Government strategy for the prevention and eradication of violence against women and girls, and (2) detailing proposals for governance and implementation in Perth and Kinross.

Resolved:

- (i) It be noted that the local authority role in implementing the Equally Safe Strategy is entrusted to the Perth and Kinross Violence Against Women Partnership as it develops and takes forward a local Action Plan which reflects the priorities in the national strategy.
- (ii) The Executive Director (Housing and Community Care) be instructed to bring a further report to the Community Safety Committee on the key elements of the Action Plan as it emerges.

17. COMMUNITY PAYBACK ORDERS ANNUAL REPORT

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Housing and Community Care) (15/8) providing an update for the period 2013/14 on the operation of Community Payback Orders in Perth and Kinross which are managed and delivered by the Community Safety Service, specifically the Public Protection Team and the Unpaid Work Team in accordance with the requirements of the Criminal Justice and Licensing (Scotland) Act 2010.

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Resolved:

- (i) The work being undertaken by the Public Protection and Unpaid Work Teams in respect of Community Payback Orders in Perth and Kinross, as detailed in Report 15/8, be approved.
- (ii) The Executive Director (Housing and Community Care) be instructed to submit a further report to the Committee in twelve months' time on the activity and performance of Community Payback Orders, including information on the number of offenders no longer residing in Perth and Kinross who complete or default on their community service.

B MALONE AND COUNCILLOR KELLAS LEFT THE MEETING AT THIS POINT.

18. JOINT PUBLIC HEALTH PROTECTION PLAN

There was submitted a report by the Depute Director (Environment) (15/9): (1) seeking approval of the final draft of the Tayside Joint Public Health Protection Plan for 2014/15. The Plan provided an overview of health protection priorities, provision and preparedness within Tayside and was prepared by NHS Tayside in consultation with Angus, Dundee City and Perth and Kinross Councils.

Resolved:

- (i) The Tayside Joint Public Health Protection Plan for 2014/15, as appended to Report 15/9, be approved.
- (ii) The commitment of Perth and Kinross Council to work with NHS Tayside, Dundee City and Angus Councils to address the agreed priorities identified within the Plan appended to Report 15/9 be approved.

19. REGULATORY SERVICES IN THE ENVIRONMENT SERVICE

There was submitted a report by the Depute Director (Environment) (15/10) on the community safety activities carried out by the Environment Service's Regulatory Services during 2013/14 and detailing the key areas for development in 2014/15.

Resolved:

- (i) The activities of the Environment Service's Regulatory Services in protecting communities within Perth and Kinross, as detailed in Report 15/10, be endorsed.
- (ii) The key areas for development in 2014/15, as detailed in Report 15/10, be noted.

**20. POLICE SCOTLAND AND SCOTTISH FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE:
LOCAL SCRUTINY AND ENGAGEMENT**

- (i) **Scottish Fire and Rescue Service Local Service Delivery – Interim Activity Report**

There was submitted a report by Group Manager R Middlemiss, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, (15/11) providing an update on the interim activity of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service in local service

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delivery within the Local Fire and Rescue Service Plan for Perth and Kinross.

In response to questions from the Committee on Report 15/11, Group Manager Middlemiss provided further information on: (1) the Safe Drive Stay Alive Community Engagement Event for young drivers aged between 17 and 25 years which had taken place at Bell's Sport Centre, Perth on 25 and 26 November 2014; and (2) the community engagement and partnership safety initiatives which had been implemented prior to Bonfire Night, 5 November 2014.

Resolved:

The interim activity of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service in local service delivery in Perth and Kinross for the period 1 October to 31 December 2014 as detailed in Appendix 1 to Report 14/473, be noted.

(ii) Police Scotland - Perth and Kinross Local Policing Area Interim Update – 1 October to 31 December 2014

There was submitted a report by Chief Superintendent Smith, Police Scotland 'D' Division (Tayside) (15/12) providing an interim update on the performance results and work which had taken place within the Perth and Kinross policing area for the period 1 October to 31 December 2014 in the priority areas of: (1) serious and organised crime; (2) public protection and safety; (3) road safety; (antisocial behaviour); (4) major events and planning; (5) theft, housebreaking and scams, and (6) community engagement.

The Chief Superintendent provided the Committee with further details on proposals to restructure the territorial command area within Tayside Division and to introduce a new shift pattern for uniformed officers. The new arrangements will provide a greater number of available front line officers at times of peak demand and a larger proportion of frontline uniformed officers within Community Policing Teams.

Resolved:

- (i) The interim update on local policing area performance results for Perth and Kinross for the period 1 October to 31 December 2014, as detailed in the Appendix to Report 15/12, be noted.
- (ii) The proposal to introduce a new policing model in Tayside which will lead to an increase in Community Policing Officers be noted.

COUNCILLOR SHIERS LEFT THE MEETING AT THIS POINT.

IT WAS RECOMMENDED THAT THE PUBLIC AND PRESS SHOULD BE EXCLUDED DURING CONSIDERATION OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN ORDER TO AVOID THE DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION WHICH IS EXEMPT IN TERMS OF SCHEDULE 7A TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 1973.

21. SCOTTISH FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE – LOCAL SCRUTINY AND ENGAGEMENT – OPERATIONAL UPDATE FOR PERTH AND KINROSS

The Committee received and noted a presentation by Group Manager Middlemiss of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service on operational matters of interest in the Perth and Kinross area and which were not to be made publically available.

22. POLICE SCOTLAND – LOCAL SCRUTINY AND ENGAGEMENT – OPERATIONAL UPDATE FOR PERTH AND KINROSS

The Committee received and noted a verbal report from Chief Superintendent Smith, Police Scotland, “D” Division, Tayside, on operational matters of interest in the Perth and Kinross area which were not to be made publically available.

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