

DRAFT NOTES

Date:		Wednesday 11 th March 2015		
Time:		10-12		
Venue:		Chelmsford City Council Chamber		
Chairman:		Nicola Beach - Chief Execut	ive, Braintree District Council	
Attendees:	Nicol	a Beach (Chair)	Braintree District Council	
		nnah Hancock (Vice-	Office of the Police Commissioner	
	chair	,	(OPCC)	
	Jo Jacobs (Notes) Essex County Council (EC		Essex County Council (ECC)	
	Resh taking	hma Madhi (Shadowing note		
		Archer	Essex Community Rehabilitation	
Alex			Company (ECRC)	
		Bamber	ECRC	
		Gardner	ECC	
	Cllr K	ay Twitchen,	ECC	
			Chelmsford Community Safety	
		cer Clarke	Partnership (CSP) also	
			representing Maldon CSP	
	DCI 7	Tom Simmons	Essex Police	
Penny Rogers NHS		NHS		
		Matthew Horne	Kent and Essex Police	
	Ch. S	Supt. Luke Collison	Essex Police	
		Myddleton	OPCC	
	Cllr J	o McPherson	Rochford Essex Criminal Justice Board Colchester Matt Rochford CSP Tendring CSP ECVS ECRC ECRC	
	Carol	ine Launder		
		nie Rundle		
		am Browne on behalf of Matt ood-White		
	Lean	ne Thornton		
	Tracy	/ Rundle		
	Jane	Dewitt		
	Heler	na Goodwin		
		Sary Waller		
		ine Wiggins	Epping Forest CSP	
		Paula Mason Basildon CSP		
	David Messam National Probation Service Shirley Kennerson National Probation Service Gwanwyn Mason OPCC			
	Jasor	n Read	YOT	



Donna Finch	Essex Fire and Rescue
Danny Gatehouse	Essex Fire and Rescue

Apologies:	Gaynor Bradley	Uttlesford CSP	
	Lindsay Whitehouse	OPCC	
	Helen Carter	HM Prison Service	
	Adam Eckley	Essex Fire and Rescue	
	Bob Penny	Colchester CSP	
	Melanie Rundle	Colchester CSP	
	Peter Kay	Youth Offending ECC	
	Ben Hughes	ECC	
	Dipti Patel	Southend	
	Simon Ford	Southend	
	Matt Harwood-White	Rochford CSP	
	Tracey Parry	Braintree CSP	
	Cllr Linda McWilliams	Tendring CSP	

Item	Discussion	Action
1.	Welcome and Apologies – Nicola Beach Apologies noted and introductions made.	
2.	Declarations of Pecuniary or other interests None received	
3.	Minutes of the last meeting – 10-12-2014 Approved for accuracy. No matters arising.	
4	Updates on key projects and issues or major changes to legislation or organisations a) Transforming Rehabilitation: Essex Community Rehabilitation Company (ECRC) Purpose: further update following the award of the contract to Sodexo Justice Services in partnership with Nacro Mary Archer, Chief Executive of the ECRC, gave a presentation to the meeting on progress to date, key principles of how the ECRC will operate and continue to work in partnership (e.g. with Family	



Solutions), offenders with a sentence under 12 months will now be managed by the ECRC and there is a financial performance regime underpinning the contract. Mary's slides will be circulated.

Jo Jacobs

b) DHR Thematic Review

Purpose: update on review and next steps

Nicola referred to the report circulated with the agenda. The report draws out the common themes of work across the DHRs reviewed. The full report has not been circulated yet as it is being finalised and the recommendations require context and action plans. Paul Bedwell and Val Billings are working on this. Susannah outlined options re, resources needed to ensure that work on themes and shared learning is taken forward. This will be discussed further.; There was some discussion about options re, a central resource to support councils in carrying out DHRs. At the next SE meeting, more details on the report, recommendations and resources will be **presented.** The point was also made about the commitment of organisations and agencies to taking forward DHR actions and recommendations.

Paul Bedwell/Susannah Hancock

c) DHR Action plan

Purpose: to update on progress to date

It was noted that many of the actions have been completed.

d) CSP funding Criteria

Purpose: to update SE on proposals

Greg confirmed that the CSP funding formula and allocations for 15/16 have been circulated to all CSPs.

There is also going to be a Community Safety Development Fund (to replace the NIF fund) which will be a more flexible pot that the CSPs and VCS partners can bid from.



There will also be an addendum to the PCC's Police crime plan for 15/16 to expand the domestic abuse priorities to include other hidden harms such as child sexual exploitation and human trafficking. A new fund (circa £100k) is being established to help CSPs work in these areas, likely to be on a bid basis and joint proposals from consortiums would be welcome. Details in relation to this fund will be circulated to CSPs shortly.

Hidden Harm: In relation to the debate on funding and ensuring the money is targeted at the right areas tackling the right issues, there was a discussion on the need for CSPs to have more detailed local profiles. This will support evidence base decision-making. This profile needs to cover crime type and trends but also hidden harms and information on gangs (a later agenda item). Health data from A/E departments, inside and outside of Greater Essex (e.g. London), is required too. Susannah confirmed that work had been done on A/E data but the sharing and accuracy appears to be patchy.

It was agreed that a Task and Finish Group is set up to review local profiles and evidence base required and A/E data sharing and report back at the next meeting. This was agreed with Greg Myddelton (OPCC) taking the lead, with a paper coming back to the next SE meeting

e) Essex Community Messaging (ECM)
 Purpose: an update on this countywide initiative

Action - Circulate presentation with group.

Ch. Supt. Luke Collison gave a comprehensive presentation on the ECM which is used as a tool to get targeted and localised information out very quickly to the community. ECM went live in Nov 2014 and 4,000 people have joined; the aim is to increase this to 100,000 people over time. Neighbourhood Watch have been fully involved in the project. It was confirmed that Trading Standards information will be integrated

Greg Myddelton

Jo Jacobs



into the system, Essex Fire and Rescue Service are using it now. It was also suggested that a direct link to Crime Stoppers would be useful in messages. SE members were asked to promote the scheme as widely as possible and it was noted that schools and parish councils should be included.

All SE Members

f) Gangs Strategy

Purpose: to update SE on emerging gang related issues and the Police's strategy and approach

ACC Horne presented to the group the police's approach and strategy to gangs. It was noted that this is a sensitive issue and the presentation will not be circulated more widely at this stage. The link to drug markets and the exploitation and harm that gangs present to girls was also noted. The issue of local profiled information was also discussed and sharing this and the 'live' strategy through a secure cloud based system. There was a discussion on the need to establish a pan Essex Board to oversee the gang's strategy development and delivery. ACC Horne is reviewing options but likely this will be linked to the Essex criminal justice board in some way (a subcommittee) but as a dedicated board including partners from Safer Essex to take forward the work. This was supported by those at the meeting who felt that a dedicated board in the first year at least was important.

Other information including the strategy and peer review reports will be circulated in due course.

g) Mental Health Street Triage Initiative Purpose: to provide an update on the project

DCI Tom Simmons and Penny Rogers (NHS Safeguarding) presented the results of the project which to date have been very positive with a significant reduction in the number of

ACC Matthew Horne



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	people detained. The slides will be circulated. It was noted that early intervention in this way not only delivers better outcomes for people, but also makes significant savings in the health system. The project is being extended to seven days a week with longer term funding being secured	Jo Jacobs Tom Simons / Susannah Hancock
h)	Voluntary and community sector engagement Purpose: to discuss how the VCS is represented at SE meetings and how engagement can be increased	
	Susannah and Tracey led a discussion on the VCS representation at SE. It was raised that part of the role of CSPs should be to act as communicators at the 'grass roots' level to local VCS and we need to check this is happening. Tracey explained the history behind VCS representation on Safer Essex and how Essex CVS is the representative body whose job it is to feed back to local CVS groups. Issues we should focus on are improving communication both ways (from SE to CVS and from CVS groups back into SE).	
	Nicola raised the issue of publishing SE agendas and minutes which will help with communication and openness to other organisations (see below).	
	Susannah and Tracey agreed to lead discussions on on wider engagement in the VCS and report back to SE with some recommendations. This could include an annual conference, more effective dissemination of information, as well as recognition that CSPs have an important role to play as they should also have CVS reps on their CSP boards. A suggestion of podcast use was also made.	Susannah Hancock/Tracey Rundle
5 Feed	back from other Boards or networks	
Dome	estic Abuse Board feedback	



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	Update on IDVA review and new contract arrangements The new provider from the1 st April is Safer Places and it was suggested that we invite the Chief Executive of Safer Places to give a presentation to SE at a later date.	Nicola Beach			
6	Publishing of Safer Essex agenda and notes Action re circulate information with minutes. It was agreed to publish SE agendas and minutes providing no sensitive information is released and both names and organisations are added to the minutes so attendance list is clearer. It was agreed that the PCC's website would be a good place to publish and this would start with this meeting. ACTION - JJ add organisations to notes.	Nicola Beach/Susannah Hancock			
	 Items suggested for future meetings are: Drugs testing on arrest – Spencer Clarke Volunteer police cadet programme – Gwanwyn Mason Evidence base and A/E data (task and finish group review) – Greg Myddleton Safer Places presentation on their work 	Nicola Beach			
7	Future meeting dates and venue for 2015 All 2015 meetings will be held in the Council Chamber at Chelmsford City Council Offices, dates and times below; 10-12 - 24th June 2015 10-12 - 23rd September 2015 10-12 - 9th December 2015				
8	Forward Plan 24th June 2015 Presentation from Nick Alston, PCC on priorities for 2015/16 (confirmed)				

