

**Safer Lewisham Partnership Board****March 22<sup>nd</sup> 2016****Room 4, Civic Suite, 2pm – 4pm****Attendees:**

Cllr Janet Daby (Chair)	Cabinet Member for Community Safety
Steve Bullock	Mayor of Lewisham
Barry Quirk	Chief Executive, LBL
Kate Halpin	Borough Commander, MPS
Selina Bolingbroke	Strategic Advisor, Goldsmiths, University of London
Becky Canning	Assistant Chief Officer, London Probation Trust
Tony Nickson	Voluntary Action Lewisham
Tayo Prince	Safer Neighbourhood Board Chair

**Advisors:**

Gary Connors	Crime Reduction Service Manager LBL
Fergus Downie	Serious Violence Manager, LBL
Geeta Subramanian- Mooney	Head of Crime Reduction & Supporting People, LBL
Ralph Wilkinson	Head of Public Services LBL
Sara Williams	Executive Director Children's Services, LBL

**Invited:**

Sally Devito	Station Manager, London Fire Brigade
Liam Duffy	Prevent Officer, LBL
James Cook	Borough Resilience Forum, LBL
Jeff Endean	Housing Strategy & Programmes Manager, LBL
James Lee	Prevention & Inclusion Service Manager, LBL
Abigail Lock	Superintendent, MPS
Tara McGovern	Superintendent, MPS
Jane Miller	Joint Deputy Director of Public Health, LBL
Charlotte Smith	Senior Business Support Officer, LBL
James Weston	Inspector, MPS

**Apologies:**

Danny Ruta	Director of Public Health
Keeley Smith	Borough Commander, London Fire Brigade
Warwick Tomsett	Head of CYP Commissioning and Integrated Services, LBL

**1. Introductions and Apologies**

Cllr Janet Daby welcomed everyone to the meeting. The Mayor asked the MPS colleagues to provide an update on any action taken in response to recent terrorist activity. Kate Halpin confirmed that the alert remained 'severe' and that extra patrols were taking place at transport hubs.

**2. Minutes and Matters Arising**

The minutes were agreed.

### **3. Strategic Needs Assessment and Safer Lewisham Annual Plan**

Geeta Subramanium Mooney presented the Strategic Needs Assessment providing key contextual information, specifically referencing the Young Review, the 6 borough resettlement consortia for young offenders, the new ATHENA service, work to raise awareness of FGM and the Navigate initiative.

Geeta highlighted the key performance data and explained that there had been a rise in knife crime with injury among under 25s, an increase in drug dealing, domestic violence with injury, commercial robbery and hate crime. Geeta also referred to an increase in motor vehicle crime and public order offences (28%) and a decrease in the number of anti-social behaviour orders (10%) and under reporting in relation to violence against women and girls. Geeta explained that Lewisham's performance is in line with the MOPAC targets.

Geeta proposed the priorities for the 2016/17 annual plan:

- Peer on peer abuse
- Violence against women and girls
- Organised crime
- Hate crime

Comments on the presentation included:

- An expectation that the MOPAC priorities will change following the Mayoral election.
- Views on the reasons why crime among young people is increasing.
- The need for a strategic approach to tackling FGM.

The Board agreed to the priorities. Geeta invited members to forward any further comments to her and confirmed that the plan would be implemented from April 2016.

### **4. Violence with Injury: Domestic Abuse Lewisham Profile**

Gary Connors presented the analysis of violence with injury cases, highlighting a rise in violence with injury incidents across the board and a rise in calls to the police over the last 12 months. Gary explained that although there had been an increase, this was at a lower rate than in other boroughs. Gary explained the difficulties in gathering data and recommended a deep dive into some cases to improve the analysis.

James Weston highlighted the work that the MPS has developed with hospitals to share data on domestic violence cases.

### **5. Navigate Project – Online Safety**

Liam Duffy provided an overview of the Navigate project which started in February 2015 following a series of high profile cases related to the use of social media. Navigate aims to raise awareness of the risks involved in using social media with young people. It also aims to develop a better understanding of how young people are using social media.

Two events took place in November 2015 and using a peer led approach, considered:

- Gangs and how they use social media

- How social media is used by terrorist groups
- The dangers of explicit images being circulated online
- How young people can be digital leaders / champions

Liam confirmed that information has been provided for secondary schools. Geeta explained the potential for the project to expand further but the aspiration for this to be embedded in the voluntary sector.

Comments included:

- Young people with learning disabilities are particularly vulnerable.
- Primary schools may welcome becoming involved in the project.
- Training for parents and teachers would be valuable.

#### **Action**

- Tony Nickson agree to consider the potential for the voluntary sector to become involved in the Navigate project and report back to the Board.

### **6. Performance Summary**

- (a) Fergus Downie gave an overview of key performance data. In addition to the violence with injury already discussed, Fergus highlighted a reduction in the number of robberies and theft of motor vehicles.
- (b) James Lee gave an overview of performance data related to drugs and substance misuse. James highlighted concerns regarding:
  - The potential increase in waiting times for people with drugs and substance misuse issues to receive treatment.
  - The impact of budget reductions, for example in Public Health
 James explained that a new national Drugs Strategy was expected to be produced this year.
- (c) Tanya Edwards highlighted performance data relating to the Youth Offending Service.

### **7. Policing and Community Practice – Action Research Project Proposal**

Superintendent Abigail Lock introduced herself to the Safer Lewisham Partnership Board. Abigail outlined that she is required to develop a partnership project as part of her training. Her proposal is to develop a project in relation to Hate Crime with a specific focus on disability. The SLP responded positively to this proposal.

### **8. Partner Updates**

Sally Devito reported two incidents:

- A 60 year old male died following a fire at Phoenix housing property on Downham Way on 3<sup>rd</sup> March.
- A 69 year old male died in Manley Court nursing home on 13<sup>th</sup> March following a fire in an outdoor smoking shelter.

Investigations into both incidents are ongoing and reviews will be undertaken by the Safeguarding Adults Board.

### **9 AOB**

None

**10. Dates of future meetings** - 28<sup>th</sup> June 2016 – 2pm – 4pm