

WAVERLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE - COMMUNITY WELLBEING
- 11 SEPTEMBER 2018

(To be read in conjunction with the Agenda for the Meeting)

Present

Cllr Andy MacLeod (Chairman)
Cllr Liz Wheatley (Vice Chairman)
Cllr David Else
Cllr Val Henry

Cllr Anna James
Cllr Denis Leigh
Cllr Sam Pritchard
Cllr Ross Welland

Cllr Patricia Ellis (Substitute)

Apologies

Cllr Mike Hodge

14. MINUTES (Agenda item 1.)

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 26 June were confirmed as a correct record and signed.

15. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTES (Agenda item 2.)

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Mike Hodge. Councillor Patricia Ellis was in attendance as a substitute.

16. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS (Agenda item 3.)

There were no declarations of interests in connection with items on the agenda.

17. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC (Agenda item 4.)

There were no questions.

18. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS (Agenda item 5.)

There were no questions.

19. COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP (SAFER WAVERLEY) (Agenda item 6.)
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The Committee received a presentation from Superintendent Graham Barnett on the Safer Waverley Partnership (SWP). The presentation is attached to these minutes.

Supt. Barnett provided the background to the SWP and advised of the statutory partners which were members of it. The structure of the SWP was quite complex with a number of other sub-groups dealing with different matters. The priorities for the SWP from 2018-2021 are noted below:

- Focus on threat, harm, risk and vulnerability -
 - Domestic Abuse
 - Child Exploitation
 - Serious Organised Crime
 - Prevention of terrorism
 - Supporting Vulnerable Victims
- Identifying and tackling crime and ASB hotspots and perpetrators; and
- Improving engagement with out public to help make our communities stronger.

The Committee noted the challenges facing the police, particularly with diminishing funding reserves. They had to deal with an increasing number of domestic homicide reviews, of which, were costing the force a lot both in time and resources. All partners had been required to put in more funding for these and they were looking at other funding streams to help.

The Chairman raised the current issue of cash machines being stolen from shops and if this was the result of closures of police stations and under resourcing. Supt. Barnett recognised this as a concern as there had been a few instances in the Borough recently. However, even in the rural areas, such as the recent incident in Cranleigh, there were a number of police cars present to try and catch the perpetrators, not specifically on the scene, but around the neighbouring roads to try and locate them within 2minutes of it being reported at 3am. And, although there were not specific police stations, they had co-located with others, such as at the fire station in Farnham. It was recognised that they did need to do more to reassure members of the public though that there was police presence across the whole borough.

20. WAVERLEY TRAINING SERVICES (Agenda item 7.)

The Committee received a presentation from Adele Sullivan on the positive steps being taken by Waverley Training Services since its last inspection. She explained that the WTS business had grown over the last few years, particularly as it now operated as a lead provider with the ESFA for sub-contractor services in the area. In light of the apprenticeship levy, there was also a good opportunity to develop the direct apprenticeship programme.

The Committee congratulated the service on its recent good assessment but asked about the management and governance arrangements. It was noted that this was an area to improve upon and a new governance structure had been put in place.

Councillor Patricia Ellis advised that she had attended an awards event at Waverley Training Services and had spoken to a number of young people. It was heartening to see them achieve qualifications that, if they had not had the opportunity with Waverley Training Services possibly wouldn't have done in mainstream education. Kelvin Mills advised that there were now performance targets for the Service, and something Ofsted did not recognise was that they took more vulnerable young people from other providers that wouldn't normally take.

The Committee was advised that the Service would be moving to the Memorial Hall in the next month and that part of the business plan was to look into ways to further

promote the service using means such as social media to increase the number of learners.

21. OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY ANNUAL REPORT (Agenda item 8.)

The Committee received a report reflecting on the progress of the new overview and scrutiny arrangements during the first full year of the Committee cycle. It included a summary of the work undertaken by the Committees, an analysis of the O&S Survey and reflections by Members and officers taking part in the O&S work. The annual scrutiny report was an opportunity for all those involved in the new committees to reflect on the first year, to consider what had worked well, where there were lessons to be drawn and where further improvements could be made.

The Committee noted the main pieces of work it had undertaken over the course of the year. This included, the major indepth review of the factors affecting health inequalities in Waverley which resulted in a number of actions both for the Council and health organisations.

The Committee welcomed the report and noted that officers would be looking at ways to increase public involvement and interest in scrutiny. It was felt that meetings should continue in Committee Room 1 which worked better than the formality of the Chamber. Members felt more satisfied with the new arrangements for overview and scrutiny.

22. CORPORATE PERFORMANCE REPORT Q1 (APRIL-JUNE 2018) (Agenda item 9.)

The Committee received the quarterly corporate performance report which had been updated since the previous meeting. The new report included a broader range of performance measures and provided a more comprehensive picture of the Council's overall performance.

The new format presented quarterly performance updates for each service area on the following:

- Key performance indicators
- Progress of service plan actions
- Progress of Internal Audit recommendations
- Complaints
- Workforce data
- Finance

It was intended that future reports would also include the status of corporate projects. This would take account of the recent O&S recommendations on project management, which were being incorporated into a new suite of consistent project documentation.

The Committee noted the report and commented that there appeared to be an error on the complaints statistics which officers would amend. Members asked if trend data could be included but it was noted that this data did not always tell the full story and for some indicators was not particularly useful. They would be reported on an exception basis.


23. FORWARD PROGRAMME (Agenda item 10.)

The Committee received and noted the forward programme. The Leisure and loneliness reports would move to November from September. Councillor Liz Wheatley mentioned whether or not they could have a report on the Community Meals service. This crossed two committees but they could have a report back at a future meeting.

Chairman



The Safer Waverley Partnership (SWP)



Kelvin Mills
T/Superintendent Graham Barnett




BACKGROUND TO COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIPS (CSPs)

- **Crime and Disorder Act 1998 – statutory duty for agencies to work in partnership to tackle crime and disorder – led to the creation of Community Safety Partnerships (CSP)**
- **CSP in Waverley is known as The Safer Waverley Partnership (SWP)**




BACKGROUND TO COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIPS (CSPs)

- **Legislative changes have given CSPs a range of new responsibilities, e.g. the reduction of re-offending, consideration of impact on the victim, a responsibility to undertake Domestic Homicide Reviews**
- **Duty for CSPs to undertake frequent assessments of crime and disorder and produce rolling 3 year Partnership Plans**
- **Requirement for Local Authority to scrutinise its local CSP**



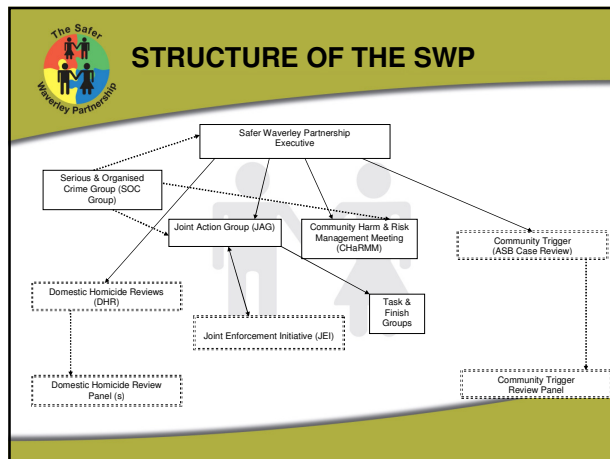

STATUTORY PARTNERS

- **Surrey Police**
- **Waverley Borough Council**
- **Surrey County Council**
- **Guildford & Waverley and North East Hampshire & Farnham CCGs**
- **Surrey Fire and Rescue Service**
- **Surrey Police Authority**
- **Surrey & Sussex Probation Trust**




SWP GROUPS

- Safer Waverley Partnership (SWP) Executive
- Joint Action Group (JAG)
- Community Harm and Risk Management Meeting (CHaRMM)
- Serious & Organised Crime Group (SOC)


SWP EXECUTIVE

- Provide strategic direction – overview of crime and ASB levels
- Agree Partnership priorities and associated Action Plan
- Oversee budget
- Manage Domestic Homicide Reviews
- Manage Community Triggers




JOINT ACTION GROUP (JAG)

- Tackle problem locations – set up 'task and finish groups' when required
- Monitor licensed premises – traffic light system
- Consider mobile CCTV requests
- Joint enforcement action




COMMUNITY HARM AND RISK MANAGEMENT MEETING (CHaRMM)

- Discuss problem individuals and families
- Put in place risk management plans to address behaviour of perpetrator and reduce impact on victims
- Case manage Community Triggers




SERIOUS & ORGANISED CRIME GROUP (SOC)

- Prevent, identify and disrupt SOC in Waverley
- Intelligence led
- Manage and review the local SOC profile and SOC action plan
- Links into JAG and CHaRMM




SWP PRIORITIES 2018-21

- Focus on threat, harm, risk and vulnerability
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 - Child Exploitation
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 - Prevention of terrorism
 - Supporting Vulnerable Victims




SWP PRIORITIES 2018-21

- Identifying and tackling crime and ASB hotspots and perpetrators
 - Community Harm and Risk Management Meeting (CHaRMM)
 - Joint Action Group (JAG)




SWP PRIORITIES 2018-21

- **Improving engagement with our public to help make our communities stronger**
- Community Engagement – awareness campaigns
- Engagement with elected members – O&S committee



PARTNERSHIP ACTIVITY

- **Domestic Homicide Reviews**
- **SOC – SOC group, training, intelligence submissions**
- **Review of JAG and CHaRMM – focuses on victim, links to SOC and Child Sexual Exploitation.**
- **Community Triggers**
- **Awareness raising**



CHALLENGES

- **Diminished funding reserves**
- **Domestic Homicide Reviews**
- **Community Triggers**
- **Organisation reforms**