



SAFERMK PARTNERSHIP

**Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 21 January 2016
in the Council Chamber, at Milton Keynes Council Civic Offices @ 2.04pm**

PRESENT:

Councillor O'Neill (Non-Voting Chair)

Representatives of SaferMK Partnership Board with Voting Rights:

Duncan Sharkey	Corporate Director - Place (Deputy for Carole Mills [Chief Executive – Milton Keynes Council])
Neil Boustred	Area Manager, Buckinghamshire Fire & Rescue Service
Supt. Gez Chiariello	LPA Commander, Thames Valley Police
Matthew Webb	NHS - Chief Officer (Acting), Milton Keynes, Clinical Commissioning Group
Sue Cooke	Assistant Chief Officer for National Probation Service (Oxon & Bucks LDU and Thames Valley Prisons)
S Czajewski	Head of Operations (North), Thames Valley Community Rehabilitation Company

Co-opted members to SaferMK Partnership without Voting Rights:

Parish Councillor Philip Ayles	Representative for the Rural Parish Councils
Parish Councillor David Livingstone	Representative for the Urban Parish Councils
Muriel Scott	Director of Public Health, Milton Keynes Council
Tim Marren	Chief Executive, Community Action:MK
A Blessing	(Policy Advisor [Partnerships & Commissioning]), Representative for the Police and Crime Commissioner

Observer:

Councillor Brunning	Milton Keynes Council
Councillor Eastman	Milton Keynes Council

Officers:

Jane Reed	Service Director (Housing & Community), Milton Keynes Council
J O'Ryan	Chief Inspector, Thames Valley Police /Chair of the Business Management Group
Colin Wilderspin	Head of Community Safety, SaferMK/Milton Keynes Council
Lee Westlake	Head of Service Youth Justice, SaferMK/Milton Keynes Council
Steve Conway	Senior Community Safety Research Analyst, Milton Keynes Council

Helen Craddock

Business Manager, Milton Keynes
Safeguarding Children Board, Milton Keynes
Council

Tina Milner

Committee Manager, Milton Keynes Council

Others Present:

Councillor A Webb

Calum Bell

Sophie Ward

Laura Chapman

P McEleney

3 Members of public

Milton Keynes Council

Service Delivery Manager (Milton Keynes),
Buckinghamshire Fire & Rescue Service

Secretarial Assistant, Community Safety,
Milton Keynes Council

Chair (MK City Centre Management)

MK News

Apologies:

Carole Mills

Chief Executive, Milton Keynes Council

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CHAIR WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

The Chair welcomed partners and representatives to the meeting.

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MINUTES

RESOLVED –

That the Minutes of the meeting of the SaferMK Partnership held on 1 October 2015 be approved and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

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BUSINESS MANAGEMENT GROUP UPDATE

The Partnership considered an update in respect of the Business Management Group report, action plans and key topics.

The Partnership heard from the Chair, Business Management Group that as indicated at the Partnership meeting held on 1 October 2015, action plans had been developed for each priority area by the various Task and Finish Groups (TFGs). He reminded the Partnership that it was important going forwards to ensure there was sufficient representation from partner organisations at each of the Task and Finish Group meetings.

The Partnership also received oral updates from each of the designated priority leads. Councillor O'Neill (Chair) commented that if the priority leads required further help or assistance, the Head of Community Safety be informed, so to aid the respective Task and Finish Groups in achieving the priorities aims and ambitions.

The Head of Community Safety informed the Partnership, that a survey on the new format, and data provided in the Business Management Group action plans would be circulated to Board members and partners for comments and feedback. The outcome of the survey and

comparative data would be shared with the Partnership at a future meeting.

The Partnership noted that the Anti-Social Behaviour action plan would be incorporated within the Business Management Group's update.

RESOLVED –

1. That the report and oral update from the Chair of the Business Management Group and designated Business Management Group leads be noted.
2. That the need to have appropriate representation on Task and Finish Groups when required be supported.
3. That the designated leads be supported in delivering the specific Partnership priorities and statutory obligations.
4. That the Anti-Social Behaviour action plan, as part of the statutory requirements of the Partnership, be presented at the next SaferMK meeting on 14 April 2016.

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OVERVIEW – LOCAL DELIVERY OF THE PREVENT AGENDA

The Partnership received a report and presentation on the local delivery of the Prevent agenda.

The Partnership heard from the Head of Community Safety that Prevent came into effect under Section 26 of the Counter-Terrorism & Security Act 2015 on 1 July 2015. The key challenges for the Partnership would be to ensure that Prevent was covered in policy and procedures, all safeguarding documentation for children and adults, and that with the co-operation of the Partnership, an action plan on Prevent be put together.

It was reported that there was a requirement for all partner organisations to ensure that all appropriate frontline staff and contractors, working for the respective partner organisations, had a good understanding of Prevent.

The LPA Commander (Thames Valley Police) reassured the Partnership that there was nothing to suggest that anything was going on in Milton Keynes to be concerned about, but it was right that the Partnership looked at strategies with a multi-agency approach.

RESOLVED –

1. That the oral update from the Chair of the Prevent Group be noted.
2. That the action plan and relevant requirements to deliver the action plan be agreed.

3. That the document 'Advice for Parents and Carers' be agreed and be disseminated wider.
4. That the Head of Community Safety be requested to circulate the Prevent presentation to the Partnership.

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SAFER NEIGHBOURHOODS GROUP UPDATE

The Partnership received a report and oral update on the Safer Neighbourhoods Group.

The Partnership heard from Councillor Brunning, Chair (Safer Neighbourhoods Group) that there were still a number of opportunities and challenges ahead to support local neighbourhoods and communities, even though Safer Neighbourhood Groups had evolved dramatically over the years, not just in Milton Keynes, but nationally. The changes had come about due to a variety of reasons that included a reduction of funding arrangements, lack of administration support, Policing, local accountability and support for residents and communities.

It was reported that Safer Neighbourhood Groups would continue to exist, albeit in a new and different format. Additionally, by working in partnership through SaferMK, communities within the Borough could help to further reduce the crime rate and anti-social behaviour, whilst also looking to see any community safety concerns reduced. As a consequence of the changes, Safer Neighbourhoods Group Terms of Reference would be looked at and any future reporting would be provided via the Business Management Group.

The Corporate Director – Place informed the Partnership that unfortunately the Council was not in a position to support all Safer Neighbourhood Groups, but he would look into alternative options of support including skill sets provided in the voluntary sector to help with the provision of additional support to Councillor Brunning.

RESOLVED –

1. That the presentation from the Chair of the Safer Neighbourhood Group be noted.
2. That the presentation and supporting document that outlines the current opportunities available in Milton Keynes and a number of proposals be explored by the Safer Neighbourhood Group, and the process and support for a wider coordination of activity be endorsed.
3. That suitable and appropriate support be provided of both the Safer Neighbourhoods Group be agreed.
4. That the Safer Neighbourhoods Group report into the Business Management Group.

5. That the draft Terms of Reference be agreed and suitable membership be requested from the constituent organisations.

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JOINT HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD STRATEGY 2015/18

The Partnership considered a report and received a presentation on the Joint Health and Wellbeing Board's Strategy 2015/18 from the Director of Public Health.

The Partnership heard that the aim of working together with SaferMK Partnership was pivotal in supporting the Strategy through the reduction of crime and to look at improving community safety issues. The Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB) underwent a Peer Development Review in December 2015 that involved cross mapping outcomes, which would be captured in the Strategy.

The Partnership heard that the Head of Community Safety provided an informative presentation on Domestic Violence to a Starting Well Group meeting, in which 3 representatives from the Council's Youth Parliament were in attendance. One of the outcomes from the presentation was to look at how best to communicate more effectively with senior/6th Form schools in respect of Domestic Violence.

The Partnership noted the various opportunities in which the Health and Wellbeing Board and SaferMK could add more value by partner organisations working closer together in various areas across the Strategies, to help bring about change, whilst also looking to make a difference for people living and working in Milton Keynes.

The Director of Public Health would take up Councillor Webb's concern around the plight of obesity in schools and apparent lack of physical education provision that appeared to be failing children in education, with the Corporate Director – People.

RESOLVED –

1. That the presentation and oral update from the Director of Public Health be noted.
2. That a Task and Finish Group be set up, consisting of the Chair, the Business Manager (Milton Keynes Safeguarding Board), the Head of Service Delivery (Buckinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service), the Chief Executive (Community Action:MK) and Chief Inspector J O'Ryan, to look at synergies/cross workings with the Board and how best the Health and Wellbeing Board's Strategy can be delivered and the SaferMK Partnership Priorities better supported.
3. That the outcomes and requirements from the Task and Finish Group's review be reported back to a future meeting of the Health and Wellbeing Board and the SaferMK Partnership.

PUBLIC PLACE CCTV REVIEW

The Partnership received a report and presentation on Public Place Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) Review from the Head of Community Safety.

The Partnership heard that the Review undertaken by Thames Valley Police for the Thames Valley region presented a number of challenges and outcomes for Milton Keynes, particularly due to the varying operational differences, financial contributions and staffing levels of the Thames Valley Police force. To aid and oversee the next steps and development aims of the Review, a Partnership CCTV Group would be set up to. It was reported that CCTV was broadly seen as a useful tool for the Partnership, particularly in the prevention/detection of crime, identification of drink-driving and welfare issues.

It was also reported that the Review had created opportunities for Milton Keynes and that Thames Valley Police was carrying out individual studies and was also looking at the next financial year in respect of CCTV coverage and funding for Thames Valley.

RESOLVED –

1. That the presentation on the current status of the Thames Valley Police CCTV review be noted.
2. That the establishment of a Partnership CCTV group to oversee CCTV, consisting of the Council's Corporate Director – Place and Head of Community Safety and the Deputy Local Police Area Commander and the Partnership and Performance Inspector from Thames Valley Police, be supported.
3. That the development and implementation of a hub model which would further establish the opportunity to explore additional income streams to ensure future operation and investment of the system be supported.

PURPLE FLAG SCHEME

The Partnership received a report on the Purple Flag Scheme.

The Partnership heard from the Secretarial Assistant (Community Safety) and the Chair (MK City Centre Management), that support from the Partnership would be required to aid with the application process for the Scheme, and that the official deadline for applications was 14 October 2016. All successful applicants would go through a renewal process every 12 months as part of a 24 month cycle.

It was reported that there were 61 towns around the country had been successful in signing up to the Scheme. The Scheme included 5 key themes to help develop and manage successful centres at night, namely:

- Wellbeing – per capita crime and ASB rates that are at least average and show an improving trend, taking both residents and visitors into account.
- Movement – some form of late night public transport provision.
- Appeal – late night offer that is broader than youth-oriented and alcohol based activity.
- Place – a diversity of land uses. A convenient and attractive destination at night with low fear of crime and community safety concerns.
- Policy Envelope – a momentum of collaboration between sectors, agencies, service providers and policy makers.

The Partnership also heard that feedback on the Scheme would be provided via the Business Management Group.

RESOLVED –

1. That senior support be provided by the Service Delivery Manager - Milton Keynes (Buckinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service) in order to commit time and resources to the application process entry.
2. That the development of the action plan be supported.
3. That the application funding process be agreed.
4. That regular updates, via the Business Management Group, be provided to the Partnership.

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PARTNER UPDATES

The Partnership received a briefing paper from the representative from the Police and Crime Commissioner (Policy Advisor [Partnerships & Commissioning]), and an oral update from the Service Delivery Manager – Milton Keynes (Buckinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service).

RESOLVED –

1. That the briefing report on the Police and Crime Review 2015, provided by the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner, be noted.
2. That the oral update from the Service Delivery Manager – Milton Keynes (Buckinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service) be noted.

SMK39 REVIEW OF PARTNERSHIP

The Partnership heard from the Chair and Councillor Brunning, who suggested that all Board members, partners and partner organisations take the opportunity to think about how best SaferMK Partnership could energise itself more with an ever changing Borough and the local community beyond 2016.

RESOLVED –

That the Head of Community Safety be requested to liaise with the Chair and to circulate a short survey/questionnaire to the Partnership and partners on how the SaferMK Partnership could become a more vibrant group, and the findings be provided to the next meeting in April 2016.

SMK40 FORWARD PLAN 2016/17

The Head of Community Safety provided a brief update on the Forward Plan 2016/17 and was requested to include the Review of the Partnership, to be presented at the next SaferMK meeting.

RESOLVED –

That the Head of Community Safety be requested to update the Forward Plan to include Review of the SaferMK Partnership.

THE CHAIR CLOSED THE MEETING AT 4.09 PM