

ORKNEY COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP MEETING

Friday 5th December 2014 at 2.00pm in MacGillivray Room, Kirkwall Library

MINUTES

Present:

Jon Humphreys	Chair, OCSP, Service Manager, Criminal Justice, OHAC
Gill Learmonth	Secretary, OCSP, OIC
Peter Diamond	Head of Schools, OIC
Malcolm Russell	Safety and Contingency Manager, OIC
Gary Foubister	Trading Standards Manager, OIC
Councillor Andrew Drever	Chair, Road Safety Forum, OIC
Joanna Murray	Community Safety Officer, Police Scotland
Liz Melvin	Housing Services Manager, OHAL
Debbie Sutherland	Y People
Ely Fraser	Environmental Technical Officer, OIC
Angela Green	Manager, Victim Support
Stephen Fraser	Station Manager, SFRS
Brian Archibald	Head of Transportation and Amenities, OIC
Suzanne Baird	Health Promotions Manager, NHSO

1. Welcome and Apologies

Jon Humphreys welcomed the group and everyone present introduced themselves.

Apologies were received or assumed from: Dawn Sherwood (OIC), Gillian Morrison (OIC), Moyra Gordon (SCRA), Marie O'Sullivan (OIC), Sue Foard (PFS), Caroline Sinclair (OIC), Sally Inkster (OHAL), Sandra Paton (Woman's Aid), Andrew Fuller (SAS), Bill Innes (OIC), Craig Smith (SEPA), Frances Troup (OIC), Ian Lindsey (MCA), Joan Mackie (OIPDL), Karen Greaves (OIC), Malcolm MacLeod (NHS), Mike Craigie (AA), Shona Reid (OIC), Sue Ward (Age Concern Orkney), Anna Whelan (OIC), Ernie Skea (OIC), Gail Anderson (VAO), David Brown (OIC), Gordon Deans (Police Scotland), Graham Bevan (OIC), Karen Walter (OIC), Katie Spence (NHSO), Marie Love (OIC), Maureen Spence (OIC), Yvonne Scott (OIC).

2. Minutes of Meeting held 13th May 2014

a) Accuracy

Minutes agreed and accepted as accurate.

b) Matters arising not covered on agenda

i. MARAC – Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conference

MARAC is now up and running and there have been 4-5 meetings to date.

3. Scottish Community Safety Network (SCSN)

At the last meeting, it was agreed that we would continue membership of the SCSN. Andrew Price, National Development Officer, has been in touch a few times since our last meeting on developments for the Community Safety Report. We continue to receive the SCSN newsletter, which Jon distributes.

The Annual National Community Safety Conference will take place 2-3 March 2015. As members, we have been offered 2 free places.

Action/Decision: Jon to send details of Conference with Minutes and look in to further possible funding for travel. If anyone is interested in attending, please register interest via email to Jon.

4. OCSP Annual Action Plan 2014-2015, progress against identified priorities

a) Driving Ambition Programme

Andrew reported that the programme went well this year and is planned again for next September. Evaluation questions to be reviewed for next time to ensure participants fully understand what is being asked. The venue (KGS) worked well with good IT systems in place, few small issues around transfer between rooms. Stromness Academy attends the event every two years, S5/6 will be invited next year.

Action/Decision: An update to be provided by Andrew after the next event

b) Water Safety Research

An MA student carried out research and presented a report on Water Safety in Orkney earlier this year.

A recent Scottish Water Safety Network meeting was held with teleconference link set up. There were some technical issues with the link and it was felt that more could be gained by these meetings if attendance was in person.

Previously, there may have been some confusion around responsibility for marine and fresh waters when it comes to safety and rescue. Brian explained that harbours are refreshing their risk assessment and will be covering marine areas. A report looking at fresh water will be taken forward and produced by then end of the current year. The possibility of signage will also be looked at for some areas.

Malcolm explained to the group that any event occurring around water should be risk assessed, and providing appropriate measures are put in place to reduce risk, there shouldn't be an issue with an event taking place.

Action/Decision: A meeting to be arranged between Blue light services to put a plan together for fresh water areas.

c) Emergency Strategic Co-ordination

Orkney Local Emergency Coordinating Group (OLECG) have met recently to look at exercises and updating plans. Exercises have taken place over the last year including Flotta and the Airport with one involving a cruise liner being planned for the future.

Action/Decision: Les Donaldson, Emergency Planning Officer, to update the group at the next meeting.

d) "Respect" Domestic Abuse Perpetrator Programme

New Criminal Justice Social Worker, Morgan Garrett, is fully trained on the alternative “Caledonian” domestic abuse programme, with significant experience of delivery of the programme in Ayrshire. She has indicated that an adaptation of this groupwork programme to a 1:1 version suitable for Orkney may be viable, so options around this will be reviewed in the New Year. .

Action/Decision: Jon to provide update at next meeting.

e) Community Alcohol Action Plan

The CAAP Stakeholder event took place on Tuesday 28th October with a wide representation of people present. Presentations from a variety of settings covering topics such as alcohol and mental health, alcohol and crime, health (primary care, hospital and public health) as well as families affected by alcohol were delivered to set the scene. The afternoon covered discussions and next steps to take to develop a community alcohol action plan.

Action/Decision: A full report from the event will be prepared and shared with the CSP in due course.

f) “Legal High” (New Psychoactive Substances or NPS) Training

Uptake of NPS training has remained high - to date (since July 2013) - 117 people have undertaken the NPS training locally. Future works for 2015 include teacher training in Stromness Academy and all the Junior Highs (KGS yet to be confirmed). Information points at parents evenings at Stromness Academy and delivery to groups such as Papdale Hostel and Y People Supported Accommodation.

Action/Decision: To avoid confusion, the title of this action will be changed to New Psychoactive Substances Training. Katie to provide update at next meeting.

g) E-Safety

Pilot work is complete and rollout in hand. To be taken forward with parent groups and incorporated in to Child Protection Step 2 training.

Community Learning and Development have set up some Internet safety meetings with parents led by Peter Nicol, CEOP ambassador, which complements the work ongoing in schools

h) Dogs Against Drugs

Police Scotland were successful in securing money from the 'reduction of supply of drugs' funding specification that was recently advertised by the OADP (a total of £35k). This will go towards set up and launch of a drugs dog for Orkney. Match funding is hoped to be secured and once set up the initiative will move to form a charitable status.

The dog will be a permanent (so long as funding is secured) deployment for Orkney, working to detect drugs across the County and also undertaking promotional and education work within the schools and across the community.

Action/Decision: Update for next meeting.

5. Youth Justice Update

As Moyra Gordon had been unable to attend, Jon Humphreys provided some information. The Scottish Children's Reporter Association (SCRA) provides a monthly list of names of any young person who has committed 3, 4 or 5 offences within the previous 6 months. There has been a blank return over the last 6 months in Orkney, which indicates an exceptionally low level of Youth Offending, even though historically youth offending has been low in Orkney. Jo Murray from the Police indicated that anecdotally, these low levels seem to be borne out by their recent experience.

Action/Decision: Further update to be provided at next meeting.

6. Safe Islander

Update provided by Ely Fraser.

The sixth Safe Islander event in Orkney was held on 4th September 2014. There were two major changes this year. For the first time, Safe Islander was held in the new Kirkwall Grammar School and it was delivered over one day instead of two.

Approximately 185 S1 pupils attended from 4 schools:

- Stromness Academy
- Kirkwall Grammar School
- Stronsay Junior High School (S1 and S2 pupils)
- Westray Junior High School (S1 and S2 pupils)

There were 8 different stations to visit with a variety of scenarios that presented real-life risks and dangers. Participants identified hazards and were given advice on how best to deal with challenging situations.

Participating agencies:

- Casey Construction (building site safety)
- Scottish Agricultural College (farm safety)
- Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (fire safety)
- Police Scotland (e-safety)
- Scottish and Southern Energy (safety around electricity)
- Royal National Lifeboat Institution (sea safety)
- Orkney Drugs and Alcohol Partnership (alcohol issues)
- Scottish Environment Protection Agency (safety in a flood)

We welcomed the Scottish Environment Protection Agency for the first time. A facilitator travelled to Orkney from Stirling and presented a scenario that was based around keeping safe in a flood.

Stagecoach generously provided transport for Stromness Academy pupils to travel to Kirkwall.

Lunches were sponsored by Orkney Islands Council through support by Education.

The new venue and timescale brought about some additional challenges which will be addressed prior to next year's event. A short questionnaire indicated that participating agencies are happy with a one day event and KGS as a venue.

The continued support of everyone that took part in or contributed to this event is very much appreciated.

7. Road Safety Forum Update

The last meeting was held on Tuesday.

Bus safety was discussed in relation to pick up/drop off procedures. Driver training will be undertaken and a press release will be issued.

After a fatality on the Harray Road, the Harray & Sandwick Community Council felt that signage/markings may not be up to standard. This had been reviewed with Kenny Roy of OIC Roads Dept and the RSF agreed with Kenny's recommendations, that no additional signage/markings be installed.

Inconsiderate and dangerous parking was raised in relation to Papdale primary school where people are parking on Double Yellow lines and crossing place. This had been raised by the parent council asking for assistance/advice. The PC are to send out a newsletter in hope that it can be addressed without official intervention, however Police have made it clear that ticketing will be issued for repeat offenders.

The new Drink Driving limit came in to force today, posters are being sources and Police will be doing a press release. Most pubs have opted in to the designated driver scheme where free soft drinks are offered.

Action/Decision: Andrew to send minutes to Jon to circulate to members

8. Revisions to Membership / Distribution List for of OCSP

Les Donaldson – change of role/email address noted

Suzanne to provide details for the new NHS Resilience Officer

Suggestions made to add Luke Fraser (Housing) and Hayley Green (Buildings and Facilities)

Action/Decision: Gill to send updated list around members to check

9. Media Issues

Gary Foubister drew attention to the Call Blocker Project – OIC has fitted 20 “Truecall” blockers.

Action/Decision: Please send names of individuals who may benefit from this equipment to Gary.

10. AOCB

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A letter has been sent to the landowner. Suggestion of wooden barriers to be replicated across the car park area and signage options to be investigated.

Action/Decision: Jon to follow up

Suicide Prevention/Support Booklets

Local booklets are being produced in response to the suicide incidents earlier this year. They will provide local information and will be distributed alongside national SAMH booklets. A small first-round publication is aimed before Christmas, with another one in the new year. The ChooseLife Programme will also be running a campaign locally at the beginning of the year.

Action/Decision: Gill to send PDF versions of booklets to the group. Please email any comments to gillian.learmonth@orkney.gov.uk or kara.leslie@orkney.gov.uk and these can be considered for the next publication.

11. Date of next meeting

Thursday 26th March 2015 @ 2pm, Venue tbc

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