

COM-PÀIRTEACHAS NAN EILEAN SIAR



OUTER HEBRIDES PARTNERSHIP

COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP

Minute of Meeting
23 September 2008

Present

Harry Miller (Chair)	Sustainable Communities, CnES
Maria Macdonald	Sustainable Communities, CnES
Sharon Evans	Sustainable Communities, CnES
Alison Ross	Social Work, CnES
Ian Macpherson	Safetywise
Roddy Mackay	Northern Constabulary
Kenny Macleannan	Technical Services, CnES
Wendy Ingledew	Health Promotion, NHS Western Isles
Carl Taylor	Marine & Coastguard Agency
Tony Pendle	Hebridean Housing Partnership
Charlie Nicolson	Chair, Community Safety Partnership

Apologies

Donald Macleod	Education Department, CnES & Chair of ADAT
Neil Macleod	Sustainable Communities, CnES
Gavin Lawson	Corporate Services, CnES
	Fire Service

Minute of Last Meetings

Approved.

Matters Arising

None.

Welcome

Harry Miller welcomed the group. Harry Miller then gave a special welcome to Charlie Nicolson, Charlie will be the new Chair of the Community Safety Partnership.

Updates

Interview - Interviews for the new Policy Officer will take place on 7th October 2008.

CCTV – a final copy of the agreement paper for the take over of the CCTV system has been passed to the board of Directors Group.

Westview Grove Camera – The group discussed the possibility of this camera coming part of the town scheme. Harry Miller will need to look at funding for this.

Community Environmental Officers – Malcolm Macdonald, Annie Maclachlan-Sammons & Donald Macleod are the new Community Environment Officers. Harry expressed his thanks to Joan Macaulay and Angus Smith for the work they did as Community Wardens and he was happy to hear that they have since found employment in other departments within the Council.

Vandalism Action Team

VAT Pack for Schools - Sgt Roddy Mackay informed the Partnership that the Vandalism Action Team are in the final stages of completing this pack and are arranging an launch in the Stornoway Primary School. Maria took a copy of the CD Rom to an ASBOF meeting and reported back that all there were very impressed with the idea.

ROSPA Evaluation – Harry Miller informed the group that Willie Wills had done an evaluation on the Island on his last visit, however he is now in America and the evaluation feedback has not been passed back to the partnership. Harry Miller is trying his best to get someone from ROSPA to look in to this.

Momentum Project

Kenny Maclennan informed the Partnership that he has written to the Chief Executive informing him of the need of funding to keep this programme running. It was informed to Kenny Maclennan that it is up to the Transport Section to fine the money to run this programme. Kenny Maclennan will look in to what funding is available from Transport. Harry will look into what the Community Safety budgets hold once he receives notice of what the budget is for this year. Charlie Nicolson asked what the actual cost would be to run this programme each year. Kenny Maclennan informed that to run the service to its best would cost £5,000. Alison Ross indicated that she could look in to the Youth Justice funding to see if they could offer some support to this service. Charlie Nicolson Suggested that the partnership call a meeting to get all groups together and ask for a meeting with the Chief Executive, CPP and members and hold a meeting to discuss funding for this programme.

Also mentioned was private funding for this service from local businesses, garages etc. This is a possibility to look into.

Cashback for Communities

Harry Miller explained that the Cabinet Secretary for Justice announced in 2007 that the Scottish Government will use the funds recovered from Criminals under the proceeds of Crime Act in a positive way to expand young people's horizons and increase the opportunities they have to develop their interests and skills in an enjoyable, fulfilling and supported way.

Billy Mackenzie from the Scottish Government met with Harry Miller and with Sport & Health officers to explain what the Cashback for Communities is for and how it can be used on the Island. There will be a second meeting with Billy Mackenzie and at this meeting there will be a chance to bid for funding for projects. Harry Miller asked that if anyone from the Partnership should wish to attend the next meeting with Billy to let him know.

Charlie Nicolson asked if there had been any surveys done to find out what activities young people would like to be involved in as not all young people would like to be involved with sport. Charlie Nicolson indicated that there will need to be options for young people interested in sport but also options for the young people who are not interested in taking up a sporting activity. Charlie Nicolson also asked if the Momentum project could fall in to this category & it was thought it could be a possibility to look into.

Role as Thematic Group

Harry Miller informed the group that there have been changes in funding in the Local Authority, CPP reviewed their structure. It is important that this forum take forward Community Safety and it was agreed that the Community Safety Partnership are a key group for Community Safety.

National Intelligence Model

Harry Miller introduced the group to the NIM, he explained that joint working is required. It has been made clear that a move to the NIM will be a great success. This plan had to go to the CPP first and was received well there and it was indicated that the partnership should move forward with the NIM.

Sergeant Roddy Mackay showed the group a presentation on the NIM – (8 slides)

It will be up to the new policy officer to develop the NIM, both the Policy officer and the Community Safety Support Officer will collate information for this. Sergeant Roddy Mackay also said that he will be able to help with this once he has a Community Safety Officer in post.

Harry Miller also mentioned that the members list of the Partnership will need to be reassessed.

Instead of minutes there will be an action log.

ASB Update

Antisocial Behaviour Officers Forum – Maria Macdonald attended the latest, the most recent of which (10th September).

Caseload Update – there are 30 active cases and 6 ABC's are presently in use at the moment.

There are no ASBO's or CRASBO's.

The majority of cases are neighbour disputes and a lot are down to alcohol abuse. Maria Macdonald continues to hold weekly meetings with the Police and HHP to discuss cases and clients.

Publicity

Alcohol Awareness Week – Sharon Evans informed the group that she has worked together with An Lanntair and will be holding an alcohol awareness quiz in an Lanntair and to support this event will also have a display there and in the foyer of the Council Offices. In aid of this event An Lanntair are also changing their wine lists to show the amount of Alcohol in each bottle / glass and are holding a special offer for Alcohol Awareness week on their non-alcoholic Beer and will sell it at a very low price of 95p per bottle.

AOCB

Safetywise - Ian Macpherson informed the Partnership that Safetywise are focusing on "Old Person's Day on the 1st October in the Town Hall" and on Child Safety Week.

Student Involvement – Charlie Nicolson asked if the Partnership could look into two young people joining the Partnership so that the Partnership can have the views of the younger generation on board. Harry will speak to Neil Macleod from Community Education regarding this.

Date of the Next Meeting

To be arranged.