

# East Lothian Partnership

## ACTION NOTE OF THE MEETING OF THE SAFE & VIBRANT COMMUNITIES PARTNERSHIP

Monday 23 November 2015, 2-4pm, Saltire Rooms, East Lothian Council, John Muir House,  
Haddington EH41 3HA

### Partnership Members Present:

Monica Patterson, Chair, Depute Chief Executive – Partnerships and Community Services, East Lothian Council (MP)
Councillor Jim Gillies, East Lothian Council (JG)
Councillor Peter MacKenzie, East Lothian Council (PM)
Fiona Young, Chief Officer, Lothian & Borders Community Justice Authority (FY)
Dean Mack, East and Midlothian Manager, Scottish Fire & Rescue Service (DM)
David Rose, Committee Member, Association of East Lothian Community Councils (DR)
Linda McNeill, Depute Chief Executive, STRiVE (LM)
Julie Hayward, East Lothian Tenants and Residents Partnership (JH)

### Others Present:

Temp Chief Inspector Matt Paden, Police Scotland (MPa)
Claire Goodwin, Policy Officer, East Lothian Council (CG)
Patsy King, Development Officer, East Lothian Council (PK)
Alistair Perry, Local Senior Officer, Scottish Fire & Rescue Service (AP)
Paolo Vestri, Service Manager Corporate Policy & Improvement, East Lothian Council (PV)
Wendy McGuire, Team Leader Economic Development and Strategic Investment (WMc)

### Partnership Members Apologies:

Councillor Tim Day, East Lothian Council
Chief Superintendent Gill Imery, Police Scotland
Philip Conaglen, Consultant in Public Health, NHS Lothian

### WELCOME/APOLOGIES – as above

- 1. ACTION NOTE OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:** The Action Note of the S&VCP of 28th September 2015 was approved
- 2. MATTERS ARISING –** None
- 3. ROLE AND REMIT OF SAFE & VIBRANT COMMUNITIES PARTNERSHIP:**  
Paolo Vestri spoke to the report

### **Decision on the Recommendations/Action**

The S&VCP members agreed to the following recommendations:

2.1 – That the S&VCP agree a future role and remit and report this to East Lothian Partnership for endorsement - **Agreed**

#### **Actions**

- The S&VCP role and remit as outlined in the report was agreed to, although the need for further discussion was noted – **PV**
- A workshop session has been set up for Friday the 15<sup>th</sup> January to take forward development of the Volunteer Strategy – further details to be confirmed – **LM / CG**

## **4. ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT 2014/15 – OUTCOMES 7, 8, 9 AND 10**

Paolo Vestri spoke to the report

### **Decision on the Recommendations/Action**

The S&VCP members agreed to:

2.1 Approve the Performance Report for Outcomes 7-10, 2014/15 - **Agreed**

2.2 Assess the Risks and Opportunities for this Partnership for 2015/16 making use of the Performance Report results – **Agreed**

#### **Actions**

- Report to March S&VCP on the work being developed by the Fire & Rescue Service in partnership with other organisations – **DM / AP**
- Look at incorporating additional reducing reoffending indicators into the performance framework – consider specific personal outcomes with reference to the national framework that is under development – **CG**
- Review current indicators for road safety – **CG / AS**
- Continue work to develop new indicators in relation to outcome 8 (natural environments) – **CG**
- Review current indicators for outcome 9 (housing) – **CG / WM**

#### **Notes**

- Matt Paden identified that crime / antisocial behaviour data is used by the Tasking and Coordinating Group to target partner organisations' activity
- Changes to arrangements for Community Justice were identified as both a risk and an opportunity
- The increasing focus of Fire & Rescue Service on prevention and working in partnership with partners and communities was identified as an opportunity
- Matt Paden noted the importance of ongoing monitoring of hate crime figures
- Risk was identified in relation to being able to deliver the additional 10,050 houses identified in the Local Development Plan

## 5a. OUTCOME 10 – COMMUNITY JUSTICE REDESIGN UPDATE

Paolo Vestri spoke to the report

### Decision on the Recommendations/Action

Partnership members were asked to:

2.1 Note that East Lothian Partnership agreed to the S&VCP taking on the role on 'Reducing Reoffending Board' from 2016/17 onwards (as a 'Shadow Board' in the initial year) – **Agreed**

2.2. Agree to take the necessary steps to enable the S&VCP to assume the role of 'Reducing Reoffending Board' – to include accepting the remit outlined in paragraph 10.8 of appendix 1 below and extending the current S&VCP membership as necessary – **Agreed**

2.3 Agree to the necessary steps required to establish a Reducing Reoffending Group with a remit as outlined in paragraph 10.7 of appendix 1 – **Agreed**

2.4 Not the appointment of a Policy Officer (Community Justice) to take forward the transition to the new Community Justice arrangements – **Agreed**

### Actions

- Transition Plan to be submitted to the Scottish Government by the end of January – **PV / CG**
- Draft Transition Plan to be submitted to the January meeting of East Lothian Partnership for sign off and will also be circulated electronically to S&VCP members – **PV / CG**
- Representatives from relevant organisations not already represented on the S&VCP will be invited to become members – **CG**

### Notes

- Community Justice Scotland Bill is on track for completion by May 2016
- S&VCP meetings could potentially be split into two halves, with Reducing Reoffending covered in the first half of the meeting
- More detailed discussion and partner involvement will take place in relation to producing a Reducing Reoffending Plan that will be submitted towards the end of 2016
- Lothian & Borders CJA Area Plan will cover the period up to March 2017

## 5b. OUTCOME 7 – ROAD SAFETY WORKING GROUP MINUTES

### Notes

- Draft Road Safety Plan has been developed and will be circulated to the Road Safety Working Group for comment – the draft will then come to the March meeting of the S&VCP

**6a. OUTCOME 9 – EVERYONE IN EAST LOTHIAN HAS ACCESS TO QUALITY SUSTAINABLE HOUSING**

Wendy McGuire spoke to the report

**Actions**

- None

**Notes**

- The Strategic Housing Investment Plan (SHIP) outlines how partners will deliver the required housing over a five year period
- Increasing the supply of affordable housing is a key priority – recent research led by the Council looked at options for delivering more mid market rental properties without Council subsidy
- A discounted housing for sale model has been approved for a site in North Berwick for January 2016

**9. AOB**

None

**NEXT MEETING: Monday 21st March 2016, 2-4pm, Saltire Rooms, Haddington**