

East Lothian Partnership

EAST LOTHIAN COMMUNITY JUSTICE
Local Outcome Improvement Plan 2017-2020



COMMUNITIES
VALUES, BELIEFS AND THINKING
ACCOUNTABILITY **SUPPORT**
HEALTH EFFECTIVE INTERVENTIONS
INCLUSION LIFE CHANCES
EARLY INTERVENTION **HOUSING**
LEARNING EMOTIONAL WELLBEING
EVIDENCE VICTIMS PARTNERS
EMPLOYMENT **RESPECT** OPPORTUNITY
REINTEGRATION

**MINUTE OF THE MEETING OF
EAST LOTHIAN COUNCIL COMMUNITY JUSTICE PARTNERSHIP**

2pm, Tuesday 30th October 2018, John Muir House, Haddington

Partnership Members Present:

CI Steven Duncan, Police Scotland (Chair)
Lynn Black, Community Liaison Officer, Police Scotland
Fiona Duncan, CSWO and Service Manager, Adults' Statutory Services (Chair RRB)
Andrea Hall, Skills Development Scotland
Susan Dudley, Children's Services
David Abernethy, Governor, Edinburgh Prison
Julie Morton, Criminal Justice Team
Derek McDonald, Police Scotland
Philip Conaglen, Public Health Consultant, NHS Lothian
David Girrity, Scottish Fire & Rescue Service
James Coutts, Housing ELC
Linda McNeill, STRiVE (representing Eliot Stark)
Sharon Saunders, Head of Communities & Partnerships, ELC (Chair ASB Oversight Committee)

In Attendance:

Lynda Ballantyne, ELC (Minute Taker)

Apologies:

Judith Tait, Head of Children & Adult Services, EL H&SCP
Laura Baxter, Victim Support Scotland
Councillor Fiona O'Donnell, ELC
Marion Ellison, QMU

Item No.		Action by
	<p>Before commencing with business of meeting, Steven asked Fiona to provide a brief overview of the Community Justice Partnership and the journey to date.</p> <p>Fiona reported that the CJP in East Lothian was formed in 2016, the Reducing Reoffending Group had been established last year and had held 3 meetings, there was still a lot of work to be done around drive and direction to take this group forward. Fiona further reported that Community Justice Scotland was not fully established yet and currently there was not a great deal of guidance available.</p>	
1.	<p>Action note from last meeting accepted.</p> <p>Matters Arising:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communications Team – c/f item to next meeting • Home Detention Curfew – Fiona advised that work was in progress/ongoing – c/f item to next meeting • Connect Group – Fiona liaised with Connect Manager and invites issued to H&SCP Managers, work ongoing – c/f to next meeting • Annual Report – (to be completed by September). Report submitted to CJS on 29 September 2018; action complete. • Self-Evaluation – to be discussed at this meeting • Query around whether the minutes of this meeting would be submitted to ELP Governance Group. Clarification to be sought on this. • Sharon Saunders designation to be updated on ToR before being submitted to Governance Group. 	
2.	<p>Taking Stock – 12 months on</p> <p>Julie Morton shared presentation – Taking Stock (attached to this minute for information) advising that she had been asked to prepare the Annual Report for submission before the end of September. Confirming that CJS would now compile a report for the whole of Scotland to be submitted to the Scottish Government.</p> <p>Following Julie’s presentation, a discussion was held around the content of the presentation.</p> <p>Steven asked if there had been any update on the role of the Co-ordinator; Fiona confirmed that currently in receipt of £50k funding from Scottish Government until end of March 2019, discussions had taken place to possibly share the role with Midlothian Council but this was not feasible.</p> <p>ACTION – Judith to take forward possibility of funding/recruiting into this post.</p> <p>Steven advised that the CSP had agreed to look at 3 clearly defined areas over the next 12 months and asked whether this group should go down the same route? Julie confirmed that although the terms of reference were set, they were not specific so could look at what need to do before the end of the financial year to build something</p>	JT

	<p>achievable. Steven suggested other opportunities may be available around engagement and working with Community Councils to put plans in place for future arrangements and have joined up thinking.</p> <p>Discussion held re the possible opportunities available.</p> <p>Steven summed up discussion that key issues and joint working were important moving forward. Fiona confirmed that this group could task RR Group to undertake tasks going forward.</p>	
3.	<p>Mapping Our Resources Discussed data that is currently compiled by NHS/Statutory Services.</p> <p>Linda McNeill advised that STRiVE held an on-line directory of registered charities in East Lothian and suggested that Members of this group should have a look at the directory and encourage other organisations to sign up to it. http://strive.me.uk/find-organisations/</p> <p>ACTION – Members to view the database and encourage orgs to sign up.</p>	All
4.	<p>TRANSFORM Presentation Derek McDonald, Police Scotland gave a verbal presentation/update on the work being undertaken in East Lothian through TRANSFORM and shared 3 case studies, outlining the challenges being faced by these individuals. On concluding Derek advised that: it was difficult to measure the success (taking small successes); the group did work well together with more joined up working but that the main challenges would be conflict of interest and overcoming existing procedures and outcome. A general discussion took place regarding the programme undertaken in East Lothian and what more can be done to help these individuals to stay on a positive route,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussed Housing/ASB and what could be done to overcome barriers; James outlined the problems facing Housing Services and concerns if individuals cease to engage; • Discussed feelings that the TRANSFORM Group had little authority and that members were often 'wearing 2 hats' (right people but without level of authority). • Discussed how to measure successes, Philip suggested it might be useful to look at a comparator group to demonstrate success. Also talked about looking at costs of re-offending for those who did not engage with the programme and subsequently re-offended. <p>Steven thanked Derek for his overview of the Programme, commenting on the valuable discussions held thereafter.</p>	
5.	<p>Youth Justice Funding Susan provided an update on Early Effective Intervention (EEI) advising that Scottish Government has offered £25k to develop a whole system approach, East Lothian's bid was submitted today (30/10/18). Susan outlined the approach; wished to take a whole system approach to look at ways to improve. Hoped to use monies to</p>	

	<p>employ a p/t Senior Practitioner to take on CP work to release D Fenwick to undertake EEI work with 15+ team. Immediate plan is to develop quicker links/comms with local police, schools and ABS Team. Still developing the programme but hope to have 2 workers undertaking group work involving LAAC Nurse and MELDAP as required. Hope to reduce the no's coming to the attention of ASB Team/Police. Susan further advised that in Year 2 hope to develop Restorative Justice.</p> <p>Discussed work connecting into CSP Priority – Getting it Right for Teens, Susan confirmed that it would connect in as not just looking at offending behaviours. It was agreed that the work of the EEI should report to this Group and the Children's Strategic Partnership. Sharon advised Susan to connect with Fiona Robertson (CSP Project Sponsor for Getting it Right for Teens). Also discussed the importance of early intervention (i.e. truancy) and support from CAMHS, Sharon advised MELDAP looking to introduce a Youth Substance Misuse Service and advised Susan to discuss further with Martin Bonnar, MELDAP.</p> <p>Steven thanked Susan for her informative update on the funding.</p>	
<p>6.</p>	<p>Developing our Approach to Self-Evaluation</p> <p>Fiona advised that the Care Inspectorate would be undertaking Community Justice and Criminal Justice services within other LA's and there was a chance that EL might be chosen for a CJ Inspection. Further advised that it might be useful to pick 1 or 2 headlines and do some work to see where currently placed. Sharon suggested using localised SE against 9 indicators, working on the most critical initially?</p> <p>Following discussion it was agreed that it would be useful to arrange a workshop in early 2019 for either AM or PM (4 hours).</p> <p>Sharon reported that Judith had advised look at CI Self Evaluation Framework No's 6.2; 8.1 and 9.1 and asked everyone to have a think about these in advance of the workshop.</p> <p>ACTION - Lynda to look at potential dates for workshops</p>	<p>All</p> <p>Lynda</p>
<p>7.</p>	<p>A.O.B</p> <p>David updated the Group on draft guidance being issued today regarding the Home Detention Curfew advising that it would likely have significant impact for many organisations. The new guidance would be shared once available.</p> <p>Dr Marion Ellison had shared invite to Public Sociology Colloquium Event taking place at QMU on 7th November.</p> <p>Steven highlighted that he felt the development of specific workstreams would help drive business. Philip suggested the need for a Strategic Needs Assessment, however, it was acknowledged that in the absence of relevant data that would be difficult. Further</p>	

	discussions to take place around this. He asked if anyone had any suggestions on what this group should focus on. Fiona advised that the RRG lacked some direction and that this group should keep them focused and could take on certain tasks.	
8.	Date of Next Meeting To be confirmed	