

COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE

Minute of Meeting of the Community Safety Committee held in the Council Chambers, Fourth Floor, Council Building, 2 High Street, Perth on Thursday 30 January 2014 at 10am.

Present: Councillors D Pover, R Brock, J Giacomazzi, G Laing, E MacLachlan, A MacLellan, W Robertson (substituting for Councillor L Simpson), A Stewart, H Stewart, B Vaughan (Substituting for Councillor C Shiers) and M Williamson.

In attendance: J Walker, Executive Director (Housing and Community Care); J Dixon, J Gilruth, J Irons and N Rogerson (all Housing and Community Care); C Flynn and L Brown (both Chief Executive's Service).

Also in Attendance: Chief Superintendent H Macpherson, Chief Inspector M Whitford and Inspector F McManus (all Police Scotland); Area Manager D Stapley and Group Manager R Middlemiss (both Scottish Fire and Rescue Service).

Apologies for Absence: Councillors Coburn, Munro, Shiers and Simpson.

Councillor Pover, Convener, Presiding.

48. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES/SUBSTITUTES

The Convener welcomed all those present to the meeting. Apologies for absence and substitutes were noted as above.

49. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest made in terms of the Councillors' Code of Conduct.

50. MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minute of meeting of the Community Safety Committee of 4 December 2013 (Arts. 699-707) was submitted, approved as a correct record and authorised for signature.

51. PERTH AND KINROSS COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP – COMMUNITY SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENT GROUP

(i) Verbal Update by Executive Lead Officer

The Executive Director (Housing and Community Care) provided a verbal update on the establishment and progress of the Perth and Kinross Community Planning Partnership – Community Safety and Environment Group. The Executive Director advised that in future the minutes of meetings of the Group, once approved, would be submitted to the Committee for noting.

52. THE DEVELOPMENT OF MENTORING SERVICES FOR ADULTS AT RISK OF OFFENDING WITHIN PERTH AND KINROSS

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Housing and Community Care) (14/26) advising of the work undertaken to date in Perth and Kinross to establish Mentoring Services designed to support desistance from offending.

Resolved:

- (i) The work undertaken to date to establish Mentoring Services within Perth and Kinross designed to support desistance from offending be endorsed.
- (ii) The Executive Director (Housing and Community Care) be instructed to submit a report to the Committee in twelve months' time on the progress of the project and the core elements of an exit strategy.

53. POLICE AND FIRE REFORM: LOCAL SCRUTINY AND ENGAGEMENT

(i) Consultation on the development of a Local Fire and Rescue Plan 2014-2017

There was submitted a report by Area Manager Stapley, Local Senior Officer, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, (14/27) advising of the development of priorities and objectives for inclusion within the Perth and Kinross Local Fire and Rescue Plan for the period 2014-2017, including details of the proposed consultation and engagement process.

Following discussion of the Report 14/27 and having heard from Area Manager Stapley the Committee:

Resolved:

The development of a Perth and Kinross Local Fire and Rescue Plan for the period 2014-2017 and the programme of local community engagement and consultation as detailed in Report 14/27 be noted.

(ii) Police Scotland Local Policing Plan 2014-2017

There was submitted a report by Chief Superintendent Macpherson, Police Scotland "D" Division (Tayside), (14/28) providing an update on the ongoing consultation to identify priorities and objectives for the Perth and Kinross Local Policing Plan 2014-2017.

Following discussion of Report 14/28 and having heard from Chief Superintendent Macpherson the Committee:-

Resolved:

The development of a Perth and Kinross Local Policing Plan for the period 2014-2017 and the programme of local community engagement and consultation as detailed in Report 14/28 be noted.

(iii) Perth and Kinross Local Policing Area Performance Results from 1 April to 30 November 2013

There was submitted a report by Chief Superintendent Macpherson, Police Scotland 'D' Division (Tayside) (14/29) providing an update on the local policing area performance results in recorded crime and detection rates for violent crime (Group 1); sexual offences (Group 2); dishonesty (Group 3) and vandalism, fire-raising and malicious mischief (Group 4) for the period 1 April to 30 November 2013.

Following discussion of the performance report and having heard from Chief Superintendent Macpherson, the Committee:-

Resolved:

The local policing area performance results for Perth and Kinross for the period 1 April to 30 November 2013 as detailed in Report 14/29 be noted.

(v) Operational Report Part 1

There was submitted a report by Chief Inspector Whitford, Perth and Kinross Local Policing Area Community Policing Division (14/30) advising of operational matters of interest within the Perth and Kinross Local Policing area in relation to the "Centresafe" model of policing which had been successfully trialled in Perth city centre and was to be rolled out to the major towns in Perth and Kinross.

Following discussion and having heard from Chief Inspector Whitford, the Committee:-

Resolved:

The content of the Operational Report be noted.

COUNCILLOR ROBERTSON LEFT THE MEETING AT THIS POINT.

IT WAS RECOMMENDED THAT THE PUBLIC AND PRESS SHOULD BE EXCLUDED DURING CONSIDERATION OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN ORDER TO AVOID THE DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION WHICH IS EXEMPT IN TERMS OF SCHEDULE 7A TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 1973.

54. Scottish Fire and Rescue Operational Report Part 2

The Committee received and noted a verbal report from R Middlemiss, Group Manager (Perth and Kinross), of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service on operational matters of interest in the Perth and Kinross area which were not to be made publically available.

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