

## **DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL**

### **SAFER AND STRONGER COMMUNITIES OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

At a Meeting of **Safer and Stronger Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee** held in **Committee Room 2, County Hall, Durham** on **Monday 9 January 2017** at **9.30 am**

#### **Present:**

**Councillor D Boyes (Chairman)**

#### **Members of the Committee:**

Councillors J Armstrong, J Charlton, S Forster, J Gray, C Hampson, N Martin, T Nearney, K Shaw, P Stradling, F Tinsley, J Turnbull and C Wilson

#### **Co-opted Employees/Officers:**

Chief Fire Officer S Errington and Chief Superintendent A Green

#### **1 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors M Hodgson, J Maitland, Mr A J Cooke and Mr J Welch.

#### **2 Substitute Members**

No notification of Substitute Members had been received.

#### **3 Minutes**

The Minutes of the meeting held 31 October 2016 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

The Overview and Scrutiny Officer, Jonathan Slee noted that in reference to the Road Safety, the response from the Committee had been circulated to the Chair of the Road Casualty Reduction Partnership and the Portfolio Holder.

#### **4 Declarations of Interest**

There were no Declarations of Interest.

#### **5 Any items from Co-opted Members or Interested Parties**

Mr S Errington, Co-opted Member and Chief Fire Officer, County Durham and Darlington Fire and Rescue Service had submitted a report, set out at Item 8, relating to the Fire Authority's Integrated Risk Management Plan (IRMP) Action Plan 2017/18 Consultation.

## **6 Media Relations**

The Overview and Scrutiny Officer referred Members to the recent prominent articles and news stories relating to the remit of the Safer and Stronger Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee (for copy see file of minutes). The articles included: the damage alcohol was doing to police and paramedic resources, linking to the work of the Committee's Working Group and activities such as Dry January; the additional 33 20mph zones, linking to the work of the 20mph Working Group and update report on the agenda; the rise of "ransomware", an element of the Cyber Crime item on the agenda; and the Fire Service looking to recruit new Fire Fighters, linking to the report on the IRMP at Item 8.

### **Resolved:**

That the presentation be noted.

## **7 Cyber Crime**

The Chairman introduced Detective Inspector (DI) Audra Fawcett, Durham Constabulary and the Strategic Manager – Policy, Planning and Partnerships, Andrea Petty to give a presentation to Members in respect of Cyber Crime (for copy see file of minutes).

DI A Fawcett noted that a brief video would be shown, highlighting the ease that personal details could be gathered from an individual's internet presence. The video showed several people believing a "psychic" knew personal details about them, before revealing a team of "hackers" working behind the scenes to sift through that person's digital life.

DI A Fawcett reminded Members that whatever you put online could be used and exploited so it was important to be careful what details you gave. Members noted two types of Cyber Crime: cyber dependent, where a computer was used to carry out a crime to attack another computer or network such as hacking or denial of service attacks; and cyber enabled or facilitated, traditional crimes where a computer is used instead or in addition to the offence, such as fraud, theft, harassment and public order (trolling).

It was explained that the National Crime Agency (NCA) had noted the scale was large and growing, with 2 million computer misuse and 3.8 million fraud offences committed in the year ending March 2016.

It was highlighted that the crimes were far from victimless, rather the victims simply suffering at a distance from the offender and around 80% of Cyber Crimes could be defended against. It was mentioned that emerging threats included schools being targeted with ransomware, where a computer was locked and the information only released once a sum of money had been transferred to the attacker.

Members noted the national "4P's" approach:

- Pursue – offenders
- Prevent – people becoming involved in or remaining in Cyber Crime
- Protect – the public/organisations from becoming victims of Cyber Crime
- Prepare – for the consequences when Cyber Crime incidents occur

It was explained that “cyber-hygiene” was important and consistent messages needed to regularly repeated to help educate the public as to the importance of making themselves as safe as possible, especially young people, in terms of allowing connections to wifi and releasing personal information, such as bank details. It was added that in the cases of preparing for the consequences of Cyber Crime, it was an extra financial burden in terms of regular backups of data being made, and this can often be an issue for small and medium sized businesses (SMEs).

Members noted two quotes:

“Every crime will involve some element of digital technology, regardless of crime type” – National Police Chief’s Council (Vision 2020)

“It is no longer appropriate, if it ever were, for the police service to consider the investigation of digital crime to be the preserve of those with specialist knowledge” – Her Majesty’s Inspectorate of Policing

It was noted that Durham Constabulary wanted to integrate the digital aspect into all investigations as a key element. DI A Fawcett explained that in terms of digital investigations and intelligence (DII) agreed investment had created several specialist Cyber Crime resources and that there was a view to mainstream digital policing. It was added that there was a need to meet emerging challenges and opportunities to investigate digital crimes and that also to gather intelligence and exploit digital evidence effectively. It was noted that there would be the opportunity to use data fusion to bring together all information from partners to help increase the intelligence and investigative opportunities.

The Strategic Manager – PPP explained that a Task and Finish Group had been established at the Safe Durham Partnership (SDP), with Members including: Durham County Council (DCC), the County Durham and Darlington Fire and Rescue Service (CDDFRS), the Police, Crime and Victims’ Commissioner (PCVC), Durham Constabulary and the National Probation Service (NPS). It was explained that an action plan focussed on protecting the general public and organisations, those within our communities as well as the public and private sectors.

Members were shown a list of the links between Cyber Crime and the existing SDP priorities and noted several examples of work undertaken, including: a cyber e-calendar, with security tips each day; the Office of the PCVC and Age UK helping raise awareness with older people; a “Cyber Safety Day”, with the Council and partners with attendance by over 130 people; and information sharing with the Community and Voluntary Sector (CVS) and helping to provide a “Cyber Essentials” mark on websites, similar to a “Kite Mark”.

The Strategic Manager – PPP added that in terms of next steps it was noted that a number of events and actions would take place including: Paul Hamlyn Foundation Funded project; Fulfilling Lives; “Everyone can help” online bullying project in schools; association of School Governors Executive Meeting; Exploitation, Grooming and Radicalisation events; Cyber Crime messages, with the Local Safeguarding Children Board (LSCB); a scenario based training exercise in Quarter, 1 2017; and raising awareness through the Area Action Partnership (AAPs).

The Chairman thanked DI A Fawcett and the Strategic Manager – PPP and asked Members for their questions.

Councillor N Martin noted that he often received spam e-mail however there was not a quick 2-3 click system to be able to report them and felt a level of ease was required to make people willing to actually report them. He acknowledged there was a method via Action Fraud, however this was not straightforward and a less “clunky” method of reporting was needed. Councillor N Martin asked if there was any representation on the Task and Finish Group or links to banks or utility companies as each month those organisations would send through an e-mail with a link marked “click here to view your bill” and he felt this was bad practice and providing an opportunity to criminals to exploit.

DI A Fawcett admitted that the Action Fraud reporting process was a little clunky and would feedback to a regular Government user group and that the Police would welcome any intelligence as regards any scam e-mails. Councillor N Martin asked how members of the public could do this and DI A Fawcett explained through the usual methods of contacting the Police. Councillor N Martin noted that in terms of those types of digital activities, people would expect a 10-15 second method of clicking on a few links to be able to forward their concerns. The Strategic Manager – PPP added that there were links to many businesses in Durham as regards Cyber Crime messages for our communities and that the Police worked closely with banks such as Lloyds and Barclays. DI A Fawcett added that there was “CyberNorth” a group that included Universities, Banks and the NHS.

Councillor T Nearney noted the Durham Constabulary “In the Know” tool that helped in terms of reporting and information sharing and asked with Cyber Crime often being not fixed to a single geographical location, were there systems in place in terms of regional, national and international threats. DI A Fawcett noted that intelligence sharing was the “bread and butter” of Police Forces and information was also shared at Regional Team meetings, involving the Cleveland, Northumbria and Durham Forces.

Councillor T Nearney asked as regards digital investigations and intelligence and whether advice was updated on a 6 monthly basis or on a rolling basis. DI A Fawcett noted that the Gloucester and Essex and Kent Forces had been working together in terms of integrating digital practices into their investigations. It was added that focus groups of staff from Durham Constabulary had been established and that a training package was being pulled together, bespoke for each role, and that all would begin with good cyber-hygiene and that training would then be on a rolling or emerging threat basis.

Councillor F Tinsley noted he could understand how Durham Constabulary could be able to deal with Cyber Crimes such as harassment by people living in the County, however, as often such phishing e-mails were orchestrated and carried out from abroad, asked was there anything they could do. If so, Councillor F Tinsley suggested that by explaining how reporting such phishing e-mails was important and providing feedback to the public would help to demonstrate the value of such reporting. DI A Fawcett noted that there was an ongoing case as regards a local offense, and that agreed that there needed to be a communication of clear examples to show how Cyber Crime was being dealt with. It was added that was an issue in terms of some of those involved in Cyber Crime were young people that could be convinced to use their skills to help prevent Cyber Crime, and also to help prevent them entering the criminal justice system.

It was added that all information was useful and that if the scope was beyond that of Durham Constabulary then there was mechanisms to escalate to a regional level or the NCA where appropriate.

The Chairman noted there were good examples of practice across many Forces, including information in relation to grooming compiled by Leicester Police. DI A Fawcett noted that many in attendance came from an era where the important safety message was to not speak to strangers and now there were additional dangers in terms of online grooming. It was added that this was not to scaremonger, however, there were important messages that needed to be delivered in order to help protect young people and the issue was hard-hitting.

The Head of Planning and Service Strategy, Peter Appleton added that the SDP had raised many issues and DCC staff had also been made aware of cyber-hygiene and also in terms of obligations under PREVENT. It was added that in addition to working with Overview and Scrutiny, there was an opportunity to be able get messages across, perhaps a link to the video shown to Committee being provided via the Council's Twitter feed, or utilising other Council channels.

Councillor J Armstrong noted the issue was a possible topic in terms of next year's Work Programme for the Committee and added that it could be useful to have further information shared with School Governors and the AAPs.

**Resolved:**

- (i) That the report and presentation be noted.
- (ii) That the Committee receive further updates in relation to the Cyber Crime Action Plan at future meetings.

**8 Integrated Risk Management Plan (IRMP) Action Plan 2017/18 Consultation**

The Chairman asked the Chief Fire Officer, CDDFRS and Co-opted Member, S Errington to give a presentation in relation to the CDDFRS Integrated Risk Management Plan (IRMP) Action Plan 2017/18 Consultation (for copy see file of minutes).

The Chief Fire Officer began by thanking the Committee for their support to the CDDFRS and reminded Members that the IRMP was the process used by Fire Services nationally to ensure the risk to people and property was identified and reduced through efficient use of available resources. It was added that the IRMP was a statutory duty and was how Fire Services responded to The Fire and Rescue Services Act. It was noted that the current IRMP was coming to an end, each being over a 3 year period, and therefore the new IRMP would be for 2017-2020, depending upon any new guidance. It was added that while it was not a statutory duty to consult upon the Action Plan associated with the IRMP, CDDFRS did so.

Councillors noted that funding for the CDDFRS came from 2 main sources, with a Government grant making up 35% and the remaining 65% coming from precept payments made from the local tax-payers and non-domestic rate payers in County Durham and Darlington.

It was added that in 2010 this had been a 50/50 split. Members were reminded that over the last 6 years, CDDFRS had transformed the way services were provided to the community, in response to a cut of £6 million to Government funding, without increasing risk in our local communities.

It was noted that in 2016, the County Durham and Darlington Fire and Rescue Authority (CDDFRA) had agreed to a four year funding settlement despite it representing a 19% cut as it then provided a level of clarity in the medium term to be able to consider how to deal with the further reductions.

The Committee were referred to a table setting out the CDDFRS Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP) up to the 2019/20 budget. It was noted that the 2016/17 budget was balanced and that forecasts were for the 2017/18 budget to have a slight shortfall and for this to increase to a shortfall of £1.529 million by the 2019/20 budget, though this was an improved forecast from that made last year which was approximately £3 million.

The Chief Fire Officer noted recruitment taking place, with applications to be made online, a lot of interest having been shown already and for starts in May/June 2017. Members were shown a diagram setting out how the money received by the CDDFRS was allocated and spent in terms of employees, premises, transport, supplies and services, capital financing and contingencies. Members noted the budget for 2016/17 was £28.608 million, compared to approximately £34 million in 2010.

Councillors noted that there were three questions set out within the IRMP Consultation, those being:

Proposal One – Based upon the outcomes of the emergency medical response (EMR) trial, should we continue this work with the North East Ambulance Service (NEAS) provided it supports our core fire and rescue service strategic priorities?

Members noted that call times had been reduced to 8 minutes in terms of cardiac arrest and breathing difficulties, though national trial outcomes were not yet known. The Chief Fire Officer added that issues were not solved in the short-term, and it would be preferable to have a national programme and associated funding. The Committee were reminded that these extra responsibilities were not within a Fire Fighters contracted duties and the Chief Fire Officer reiterated that some form of funding locally and nationally should look to provide financial incentive.

Proposal Two – Would you support us in exploring further collaboration with health services in the future?

The Chief Fire Officer was aware that the Committee were well sighted in terms of the work involved with Public Health and Safe and Wellbeing Visits (SWVs) being carried out by Fire Fighters and the big impact this was having, both in terms of individuals helped but in terms of helping understand trends and patterns. It was noted there was scope to help engage with vulnerable people and also for community fire stations to allow use of their gym equipment.

Proposal Three – Do you agree that we should share High Handenhold Fire Station with Durham Police?

It was explained that this was a proposal similar to a tri-service facility in Barnard Castle, though this proposal was for CDDFRS and Durham Constabulary. It was added that discussions would be held with staff as well as the Chief Constable and the PCVC and it was noted that beyond the financial savings there were other benefits, for example in intelligence sharing.

The Chief Fire Officer concluded by reiterating that the CDDFRS was a high performing Fire and Rescue Service and asked Members to provide feedback on the proposals, noting that Members could provide individual responses via several methods, details having been provided to Members.

The Chairman thanked the Chief Fire Officer and asked Members for any questions and responses to the proposals.

Councillor J Armstrong noted it was a “no-brainer”, agreeing with the proposals as set out by the Chief Fire Officer.

Councillor F Tinsley noted the Fire Service was very different to 20 years ago with more emphasis on health and asked whether this was felt as a step change or a natural progression. Councillor F Tinsley also asked whether demand was increase as funding was decreasing. The Chief Fire Officer explained that Government statistics showed that fires had decreased by around 40%, however, this did not reflect the changing types of fires, with decreases in house fires while other areas such as arson and anti-social behaviour were becoming more demanding. It was explained that there had been investment in equipment and that Fire Fighters had moved to new working practices to incorporate Community Safety work so that all staff were working productively at all times. It was explained that in terms of fire deaths, the Fire Service worked with Public Health in terms of hard to reach vulnerable groups.

The Chairman asked for comments on Proposal 1, and asked the Chief Fire Officer if there were risks should the CDDFRS not continue with EMR. The Chief Fire Officer noted that in the last 12 months, 70 cardiopulmonary resuscitations (CPRs) had been carried out across 3 stations and felt that this demonstrated the value of the work. It was reiterated that training and funding were required as this was over and above contracted duties.

The Chairman reminded that Members could respond as individuals to the IMRP consultation as the Chief Fire Officer had mentioned and asked the Members as a Committee whether they supported Proposal 1. Members agreed.

The Chief Fire Officer noted that if the CDDFRS had a resource that could help in terms of Public Health issues, then they would need to work together, however, should the nature of the SWVs change to included actions such as administering flu jabs, then this would need to be supported with cost-recovery as a minimum. Councillor T Nearney noted he supported Proposal 2 and added that Members could see from the report on the SWVs carried out by a Working Group to the Committee that CDDFRS was leading nationally in terms of performance in this regard and while this was very good, there was risk in terms of the CDDFRS and partners facing further reductions in their funding. Councillors were asked if they agreed with Proposal 2, all agreed.

The Chairman asked the Committee as regards their thoughts on Proposal 3 and asked the Chief Fire Officer if this type of arrangement would be more prevalent in the future. The Chief Fire Officer noted that there was no risk, however, there had been specific consultations with local residents and it was added that the proposal would help to reduce costs and protect frontline services. All Members agreed with Proposal 3.

The Overview and Scrutiny Officer explained the comments from Members would be captured, along with those from Members of the Adults, Wellbeing and Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee who would also consider the report, and then pulled together to formulate a response, to be signed off by the Chairman of Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

**Resolved:**

- (i) That the report and presentation be noted.
- (ii) That the comments of the Committee, together with the views from the Adults, Wellbeing and Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee are submitted to the County Durham and Darlington Fire and Rescue Service in response to the consultation on their IRMP Action Plan for 2017/18.

**9 Schools 20 mph Part-Time Speed Limits Project - Update Report**

The Chairman introduced the Head of Technical Services, John Reed and the Traffic Asset Manager, Keith Jameson who were in attendance to give an update presentation in relation to Schools 20mph Part-Time Speed Limits Project (for copy see file of minutes).

The Head of Technical Services noted that following the successful work of Technical Services and Overview and Scrutiny, an update would be provided to Committee on the progress with the project. Members were reminded that Cabinet had considered an update report on the project at its meeting held 14 December 2016 with information as regards Phase 2 schemes in 2016/17, the revised "prioritisation methodology", used to select a further 33 schools over the next 2 years, and the potential to add further schools, now or in the future, should funding be secured from schools, Town/Parish Councils, AAPs or Member budgets. The Head of Technical Services noted that the report was well received by Cabinet and as the schemes were very popular with Members, it was important to have a fair, clear and transparent methodology in place.

The Traffic Asset Manager referred Members to the list of Phase 2 schemes for 2016/17, 15 in total, and added that there were also 4, 20mph schemes being brought forward for areas within housing estates. The Head of Technical Services noted that the policy was such to allow a degree of flexibility so than where demand was evidenced, and funding could be secured, then the Council could look to implement a scheme.

The Traffic Asset Manager noted Phase 2 was almost completed, with 2 schemes requiring some works to enable power for signage. It was added that work was continuing with designs for the next Phase and Members were referred to tables setting out Phase 3 and Phase 4 schools, noting a good geographic spread across the County and a mix of Primary and Secondary schools.

Members noted estimated dates for schemes and Members were asked to note that experience with Phase 1 and 2 schemes provided some confidence with those estimates. It was explained that in terms of design and consultation the same delivery principles as Phases 1 and 2 were being used, with the designs for Phase 3 scheme having already commenced. It was added that proposals would be discussed with Durham Constabulary and then with stakeholders including Elected Members, Head Teachers and Town and Parish Councils.



The Head of Technical Services noted that there had been a lot of engagement work carried out and it had been agreed it would not just be the placement of signage, rather a package would be delivered in order to try to change behaviours, including: competitions in schools; the Junior Road Safety Officer Scheme; Drama Productions; School Newspapers; Road Safety Training; and other activities to encourage good practise. It was added that an evaluation process had been undertaken, with Durham University providing an independent assessment via their Centre for Health and Inequalities Research. It was noted that overall the results were positive, with convincing support for the projects health and wellbeing outcomes. It was added that due to the small sample size, it was too soon to be able to judge as regards impact upon road casualties and therefore this was not included within the evaluation objectives.

The Chairman thanked the Officers and noted the excellent work of the 20mph Working Group and Technical Services and Public Health. The Chairman invited questions from the Committee.

Councillor N Martin noted he was a Governor at Neville's Cross Primary School, an area where a scheme would be brought forward in December 2017 and asked whether given there was now an objective methodology in place for choosing which schools should benefit from 20mph scheme, did it follow that the original method used was incorrect and also should the Council learn from the 20mph Working Group and take this approach going forward. The Chairman noted that this highlighted the benefit of Member involvement in a process. Councillor J Armstrong added that through the work of the Working Group and Officers it had been possible to double the amount of schemes that could be brought forward and he took the opportunity to thank all Members, Officers and Partners involved. The Chairman added as regards the MJ Award for Governance and Scrutiny that the Authority had received.

Councillor J Turnbull noted that in terms of a 20mph scheme at Neville's Cross, the traffic often was only travelling at around 8-14 mph, however he cited an example of St. Patricks School on the A690 where it was between 2 industrial estates and large vehicles travelled and there was no longer a School Crossing Patrol. The Chairman noted discussions would not be as regards individual schemes, however Members could speak to the Officers after the meeting as regards their particular issues.

Councillor F Tinsley asked in practical terms what did the zone represent, an area of 100m. The Traffic Asset Manager explained that in general it was 100m around each entrance to a school, with signage indicating "When lights flash... 20mph limit". It was reiterated that they were a Part-Time Advisory Limit, and therefore the social aspect in terms of each school was an important element and Officers worked with Head Teachers in this respect.

Councillor T Nearney asked as regards how the consultations worked and what the timescales would be on these. The Traffic Asset Manager noted that Durham Constabulary would be consulted first as regards any concerns they may have to a scheme and then Head Teachers and Governors at a school, followed by Town and Parish Councils and the wider general public.

**Resolved:**

- (i) That the report and presentation be noted.
- (ii) That a further update report be provided to the Committee in 12 months' time.

## **10 Quarter 2 2016/17 Performance Management Report**

The Chairman introduced the Corporate Scrutiny and Performance Manager, Tom Gorman and the Strategic Manager - Performance and Information Management, Keith Forster who were in attendance to speak to Members in relation to the Quarter 2 2016/17 Performance Management Report for the Altogether Safer theme (for copy see file of minutes).

The Corporate Scrutiny and Performance Manager asked Members to note the new reporting format with a “dashboard” page summarising the main performance issues on a single page to allow Members to understand “at a glance” the key issues. It was added that Members’ views on the new pictorial style would be welcomed and it was hoped that the Committee would find the new presentation style helpful.

The Chairman noted he welcomed the new style, and Councillor J Armstrong added that the dashboard page had been welcomed by Members at other Overview and Scrutiny Committees.

The Strategic Manager - Performance and Information Management referred Members to the report and noted an increase in crime levels, though this was continuing to be affected by improvements to crime recording and increased willingness to report crime. It was added that levels of anti-social behaviour had significantly reduced, aided by a number of operations and initiatives carried out across Easter and the summer and Members were reminded that Durham was on average a low crime area.

The Committee noted that alcohol and drug treatment successes remained low, however, it was acknowledged that Members were particularly well-sighted in this regard. It was added that in terms of Road Safety, casualties were reducing overall, and the Committee had a Special Meeting on 1 December looking at the issues of road safety and young drivers.

### **Resolved:**

That the report be noted.

## **11 Overview and Scrutiny Review Updates**

The Overview and Scrutiny Officer noted two reviews had been undertaken by the Committee with one, Alcohol and Demand on the Emergency Services (ADES) having been reported to Cabinet in December and the report had been well received with positive press. Members noted that it would be reported at the SDP in January, with a number of recommendations linking to the work of the SDP.

In respect of the review of Safe and Wellbeing Visits (SWVs) it was noted a draft report was completed and was scheduled for consideration by Committee in February, Cabinet in March.

Councillor T Nearney noted that in terms of the ADES report, Cabinet would respond within 6 months on the recommendations contained within the report.

**Resolved:**

That the verbal update be noted.

## **12 Police and Crime Panel**

The Overview and Scrutiny Officer referred Members to the report setting out the main issues discussed at the last meeting of the Police and Crime Panel (for copy see file of minutes).

The Overview and Scrutiny Officer noted the main issues included:

- Draft Police, Crime and Victims' Plan
- Local Criminal Justice Review
- Collaboration of Police and Fire Services
- Delivering Change for Victims and Witnesses
- Quarter 1 Performance Report

Members noted that the January meeting had looked at consultation on the PCVC precept, Quarter 2 Performance, and extending the Independent Co-opted Members' membership until 2019.

**Resolved:**

That the report be noted.

## **13 Safe Durham Partnership Update**

The Chairman asked the Community Safety Manager, Caroline Duckworth to speak to Members as regards an update from the Safe Durham Partnership (SDP).

The Community Safety Manager noted that issues discussed at the SDP meeting included the current position in terms of the Durham Safeguarding Adults Board (SAB) and the Durham Local Safeguarding Children Board (LSCB), with the statutory duty in terms of demonstrating impact and governance. It was added that the LSCB had had achieved a "good" Ofsted rating in May 2016 and that a lot of work had been undertaken with partners including on issues such as: domestic violence, alcohol and substance misuse and child sexual exploitation.

Councillors noted other items discussed included: Open Water Safety, the work of the City Safety Group and the "Dying to be cool" campaign working with riparian landowners; a presentation from the Office of the PCVC in respect of the work of the Strategic Victims and Witness Group, Delivering Change for Victims and further devolved powers to PCCs; new systems in place as regards feedback from young people in the Youth Justice System; funding support; and the Drugs Strategy 2014/17.

The Head of Planning and Service Strategy added that in terms of funding, a £28,000 grant had been secured in respect of reducing intolerance.

**Resolved:**

That the report be noted.