

**Minutes of the meeting of Mid Ulster Policing and Community Safety Partnership
held in The Junction, Dungannon on Wednesday, 20 September 2017 at 6.00pm**

- Present:** Councillor Ken Reid (Chair), Councillors Frances Burton, Clement Cuthbertson, Phelim Gildernew, Cathal Mallaghan, Denise Mullen, Derek McKinney, Sean McPeake
- Marian Dorman, Liam Duggan, Mark Farquhar, Ursula Marshall (Vice Chair), Ciaran McElhone, Martina Watson
- Inspector Andy Archibald (PSNI), Superintendent Mike Baird (PSNI), Michael Dallat (NIHE), Michael Hogg (EA), Inspector Keith Jamieson (PSNI), Ruth McKelvey (PBNI), Maoliosa Tate (PSNI), Inspector Danny Walsh (PSNI), Willie McCarroll (NIFRS)
- Apologies:** Fiona Crawford, Hannah Su O’Callaghan, Jacqueline Connolly (SHSCT), Inspector Joanne Gibson (PSNI), Chief Inspector Roy Robinson (PSNI), Inspector Gavin Sterling (PSNI), Kate Lambe (NHSCT)
- In Attendance:** Michael McCrory (PSCP Manager), Annette McGahan (PCSP Officer) Celene O’Neill (PCSP Officer), Shauna McCloskey (PCSP Officer), Martina McCullagh (PCSP Assistant)

PCSP68/17 WELCOME

The Chair, Councillor Ken Reid welcomed all to the meeting. He reminded Members a Public Themed Meeting dealing with ‘Postal & Internet’ scams would follow directly after this meeting.

PCSP69/17 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Members were reminded of their obligation in relation to declarations of interest.

PCSP70/17 MINUTES OF POLICING & COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP MEETING HELD ON 31 MAY 2017

The Minutes of the Policing and Community Safety Partnership meeting held on Wednesday, 31 May 2017 were approved and signed subject to the following amendment.

PCSP66/17 ANY OTHER BUSINESS
Focus Group – Dr Jonny Byrne, University of Ulster

Liam Duggan’s name to be added to list of Members participating in the Focus Group.

Proposed by: Councillor Frances Burton
Seconded by: Mark Farquhar

PCSP71/17 MATTERS ARISING

PCSP65/17 THEMATIC GROUP UPDATE

ASB – Anti-Social Behaviour Forum Update - Item 4 – Anti-Social Driving

Councillor Burton raised concerns in relation to the mishandling of a recent call made to the non-emergency 101 number. The caller had told Cllr Burton that they had requested the PSNI not attend their home late at night, but this had happened. Councillor Burton stressed the importance of recording the correct information provided by callers.

Inspector Walsh advised there has been good success in tackling anti-social driving issues. He said if an area is nominated as a 'hotspot', steps will be taken to tackle the problem, but re-iterated the PSNI need to be kept informed.

In response to a question from Councillor McKinney in relation to an incident of anti-social driving at Newmills junction, Superintendent Baird advised if the car registration could be provided, further investigations could be carried out.

PCSP72/17 THEMATIC GROUP UPDATES

The PCSP Manager advised Members that the 'Letter of Offer' from the Joint Committee was received at the end of August, signed by the Chief Executive and returned.

In light of the Public Meeting commencing at 7.00pm, the PCSP Manager suggested Members ask questions in relation to the thematic groups rather than officers providing lengthy updates.

ASB – Anti-Social Behaviour Group Update

Responding to a question from Councillor Burton regarding having PCSP Officers attend a forthcoming event, the PCSP Manager requested details to be provided in order to make necessary arrangements.

VP – Vulnerable Persons Group Update

In response to a question from Ursula Marshall, the PCSP Officer stated Beam Creative Network would deliver 15 drama workshops of 'Who's at the Door' Schools Internet Safety Project across Mid Ulster area.

NTE – Night-Time Economy Group Update

No comments.

PCSP73/17 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

1. Incidents in Coalisland

Marian Dorman raised concerns about a number of individuals who are creating problems for residents living in Innishmore Park in Coalisland.

Michael Dallat referred to monthly meetings, which take place with NIHE, PSNI and Mid Ulster District Council, and with a combined multi-agency approach have resulted in successful prosecutions.

Following a brief discussion, Members agreed the PCSP Manager should follow up to assess the situation.

PCSP Manager to arrange for a representative from the Public Prosecution Service (PPS) to attend the next PCSP meeting to provide an overview of the role of the PPS and sentencing structure practice.

2. Incident in Moy

Councillor Cuthbertson referred to incidents occurring in Moy, whereby young people under the influence of alcohol are trying to gain access to a licensed premises via the rear entrance.

Inspector Jamieson said this type of activity had happened previously, action was taken, which resolved the issue, but now appears to be re-occurring. The PSNI's aim is to refocus efforts which previously proved successful and hopefully put an end to this activity.

3. Community Safety Warden

The Chair requested Michael Dallat to provide information on the level of funding offered by NIHE to assist with the introduction of a 'Community Safety Warden' in Mid Ulster area.

Michael Dallat advised Members, NIHE Community Cohesion would fund 50% to aid the introduction of a 'Community Safety Warden'. He stated further investigations were required before any decision could be taken.

The PCSP Officer advised that under the legacy Dungannon & South Tyrone Borough Council, the 'Community Safety Warden', was firstly initiated through a Community Safety Project, then by PCSP, but was employed by Community Voluntary Services.

Councillor Burton suggested investigating other avenues of funding to secure the balance required, otherwise, it might result in a large portion taken out of the PCSP budget, detracting from other areas of proposed work.

The Chair stressed the importance of the 'post holder' being solely accountable to the Policing & Community Safety Partnership.

Members agreed the PCSP Manager should collate all information garnered and present at the next Anti-Social Behaviour sub group meeting.

PCSP74/17 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Next PCSP meeting will be held on Wednesday, 13 December, 2017 in the Conference Room, Magherafelt at 3.00pm.

The meeting ended at 6.45pm.

All members were present for the duration of the meeting except Willie McCarroll who arrived at 6.02pm, Ruth McKelvey, Superintendent Mike Baird, Inspector Andy Archibald, Sergeant Maoliosa Tate, Ciaran McElhone who arrived at 6.05pm, Councillor Cathal Mallaghan & Ursula Marshall who arrived at 6.08pm, Inspector Keith Jamieson who arrived at 6.09pm, Councillor Denise Mullen and Councillor Sean McPeake who arrived at 6.12pm.