#### SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the South Cambridgeshire Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership held on Monday, 27 July 2009 at 10.00 a.m.

PRESENT: JE Reynolds – Chairman R Hylton – Vice-Chairman

Members: Ms V Crompton Cambridgeshire Drug and Alcohol Team

M Harding Cambridgeshire Probation

S Hills Corporate Manager (Affordable Housing),

**SCDC** 

P Mungroo Magistrate

Cllr Mrs L Oliver Cambridgeshire County Council

Ms L Roberts Senior Research Officer, Community Safety,

Cambridgeshire County Council

CI V Skeels Cambridgeshire Police Ms D Weaver Cambridgeshire NHS

Philip Aldis Community Safety Officer, SCDC

Jenny Massie Partnership Officer, Cambridgeshire Police Chris Savage Sector Inspector, Cambridgeshire Police

Ian Senior Democratic Services Officer

Neil Weston Partnership Support Officer, SCDC

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## 59. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Tom Crawford (Cambridgeshire County Council), Tom Jefford (Cambridgeshire County Council), Denise Lewis (South Cambridgeshire District Council) and Councillor Ray Manning (South Cambridgeshire District Council).

#### 60. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

# 61. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING AND MATTERS ARISING CLLR JOHN REYNOLDS)

The Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership accepted the minutes of the meeting held on 28 April 2009 as a correct record.

The CDRP noted that improvements to communication (Minute 42 refers) had yet to be progressed and therefore did not form part of the current agenda.

The advice sheets referred to in Minute 43 had been distributed to householders in June 2009, as part of the delivery of the *South Cambs Magazine*.

At Minute 48, the Chairman observed that no suggested alternative names had been received. While Councillor Oliver questioned the need

to alter a recognised brand, the Chairman was keen to progress this matter, suggesting that a more positive name might be more appropriate. In order to expedite the issue, proposals would be circulated in due course for decision by e-mail.

NW

At Minute 49 (Change to CDRP Task Groups), the Board noted that membership had now been reviewed.

# 62. CDRP FUNDING 2008-09 - FINAL REPORT (PHILIP ALDIS - COMMUNITY SAFETY OFFICER, SCDC)

The Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership received a report on revenue, capital and pooled funding expenditure in 2008-09.

PA explained that the maternity leave of the CDRP Partnership Support Officer had resulted in an unexpected underspend of £4050.13 The Board agreed for the £4050.13 underspend to be allocated to the Pooled Fund to ensure funds are fully spent for 2008-9.

# 63. CDRP FUNDING PLAN 2009-10 (NEIL WESTON - PARTNERSHIP SUPPORT OFFICER, SCDC)

The Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership received a draft funding plan for 2009-10.

NW explained that 13 items in the plan had been agreed previously by email following a request to consider them sent on 4th June and responses received between that date and the end of June 2009, and eight for discussion by those present at the meeting. The Chairman said that schemes considered for approval must be capable of delivering change.

The Board discussed eight new funding requests:

Those present discussed Alcohol Treatment Requirements (Item 8) at length. MH conceded that the Probation Service was seeking funds from each CDRP in the County, but was unable to give an assurance that South Cambridgeshire would receive value equivalent to the money being sought from the South Cambridgeshire Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership. VS reported the City CDRP had declined making a grant, arguing that the Probation Service was already mandated to deliver Alcohol Treatment from its mainstream budget. The Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership **agreed** not to fund Alcohol Treatment requirements in 2009-10.

In relation to Item 19 (Youth Project Gamlingay), the Chairman suggested that, given the large amount of money being sought overall, and the consequent likelihood that the project would not be delivered during 2009-10, this particular application for CDRP funding should be deferred for 12 months and reconsidered as a candidate for funding in 2010-11. Those present considered the Gamlingay application in general terms in the context of concurrent applications relating to security improvements to housing (Item 16) and a youth project in Shepreth (Item 18) and to the CDRP's objectives. Deliverability and making a difference were key factors.

Following the Chairman's lead, the CDRP **approved** funding for security improvements to housing on the basis that this would help tackle burglary and could be delivered quickly, and **supported**, in principle, the applications in Shepreth and Gamlingay, subject to clarification about whether money should be paid out of capital or from the pooled fund, the nature of the lease from Cambridgeshire County Council in Shepreth, business plans and an indication as to outcomes.

Subject to the above, the Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership **agreed** the revenue and capital funding set out in the report, and pooled funding as follows:

Additional £5000 for project 9 (Wasted) (£8,000 Capital, £7,000 Pooled fund)

- Project 08: Alcohol Treatment requirements Nil
- Project 14: Domestic Violence training and Awareness £1,500
- Project 16: Security inprovements to SCDC housing -£6000 capital
- Project 17: Street football £4,400
- Project 18: Youth project, Gamlingay £4,000 (provisional subject to further information)
- Project 19: Youth project, Shepreth £3,000 (provisional subject to further information)
- Project 20: ASB Task Group initiatives Nil, but to be looked at as need arises
- Project 21: Targeted policing £5,000

### 64. CDRP BOARD MEMBERSHIP (RICK HYLTON - VICE-CHAIRMAN)

Those present noted a report on the CDRP's revised membership structure. It was noted that

- Tom Jefford was now Lead Officer for Cambridgeshire County Council
- Cambridgeshire County Council had yet to notify PA as to who its Lead Member was to be
- Leigh Roberts needed to be added to the list as a Support Officer from Cambridgeshire County Council
- All aspects of NHS involvement had to be included in the CDRP's work
- Stephen Hills would be Lead Officer from South Cambridgeshire District Council for the foreseeable future

The Vice-Chairman noted that the Partnership's success depended in large part on the contributions of Board members and the effective reporting of performance.

# 65. CDRP PERFORMANCE REPORT - Q1 2009-10 (CLLR JOHN REYNOLDS - CHAIRMAN / TASK GROUP CHAIRS / LEIGH ROBERTS CCC / NEIL WESTON)

The Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership received a performance report for the first Quarter of 2009-10, circulated at the meeting.

CS outlined some of the steps being taken by Cambridgeshire Constabulary to minimise the impact of burglary in the district.

PA

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#### 66. ANNUAL REVIEW 2008-09 (NEIL WESTON)

Those present noted the South Cambridgeshire Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership Rolling Plan 2008-11 – Performance Report.

### 67. ROAD SAFETY IN SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE (CLLR RAY MANNING)

The Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership received a letter dated 1 July 2009 from the Local Strategic Partnership relating to road safety in South Cambridgeshire.

Those present agreed with the LSP's view that it would make more sense for road safety to become an issue for the Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership. However, it would be necessary to make sure that the Action Plan was consistent with the new responsibility, and that resources were sufficient. Effective communication between the CDRP and the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Road Safety Partnership would be essential.

VS voiced concern that, although the Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership consisted of the right agencies, the right specialists did not always represent those agencies at its meetings. Care would be needed to make sure that appropriate officer support was present for road safety issues. RH agreed to discuss with the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Road Safety Partnership the practicalities of the new arrangement, the implications for the CDRP, and the nature of the work to be undertaken.

RH

# 68. CDRP AT THE SCRUTINY AND OVERVIEW COMMITTEE (DENISE LEWIS - LEAD OFFICER, SCDC)

PA explained that the Scrutiny and Overview Committee had invited the CDRP to attend its meeting on Thursday 3 September 2009. PA explained that the Scrutiny and Overview Committee's principle motive was to make sure that the Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership was operating as effectively as possible. The Chair and Vice chairman of the CDRP would be attending to represent the CDRP, and board members were invited to attend to observe as well as contribute to more technical questions.

The Chairman said that the Committee should be reminded about the Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership's limited resources, and its reliance on member agencies.

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### 69. ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR INFORMATION EVENT (NEIL WESTON)

Those present noted that this event would take place at South Cambridgeshire Hall, Cambourne Business Park, Cambourne on 29 September 2009. It would start at 7.00pm and last about one and a half hours.

The event was open to district, county and parish Councillors. Members of the Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership were encouraged to attendIts aim was to increase spread awareness of how anti-social behaviour is dealt with in the district and to provide examples of the wide

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ranging work taking place in the District.

# 70. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN CLLR JOHN REYNOLDS)

Those present noted that the election of Chairman and appointment of Vice-Chairman would form part of the agenda for the meeting in October 2009. Cllr Reynolds asked Board Members to give consideration to who they would like to nominate and second for the posts of Chairman and Vice Chairman

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### 71. STRATEGIC ASSESSMENT 2009 (LEIGH ROBERTS)

LR summarised the forthcoming CDRP Strategic Assessment, explaining that the CDRP has to produce the document in September, to be received at the October Board meeting. The assessment will inform the CDRP Rolling Plan for April 2010 to March 2011.

LR emphasised the importance of CDRP partners contributing data and information to the assessment, reminding partners that they are signed up to the South Cambridgeshire CDRP Information Sharing Agreement, designed to encourage the sharing of information between members and officers of, and attendees at, the South Cambridgeshire CDRP, thus fulfilling statutory duties to reduce crime and disorder, in accordance with section 115 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998.

Those present noted that young people constituted one of several hard-to-reach groups within the district.

NW would circulate the Information Sharing Agreement at the end of the meeting, to take account of the recent board changes

#### 72. GROWTH UPDATE

The Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership received the Growth Areas update report covering April and May 2009.

## 73. ENHANCED PLACE SURVEY DATA

The Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership received the South Cambridgeshire District Council Health and Environmental Services – Annual Satisfaction Survey 2008-09, produced by MRUK Research.

# 74. SPECIAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COURT PROGRAMME (SDVC) TRANSFER OF GOVERNANCE & PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITIES

The Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership received a letter dated 10 July 2009 relating to the Specialist Domestic Violence Court Programme.

#### 75. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Those present noted that the South Cambridgeshire Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership would next meet on Monday 26 October 2009 in the Swansley Room, Ground Floor, South Cambridgeshire Hall,

Cambourne Business Park, Cambourne, Cambridge, CB23 6EA between 10.00am and 1.00pm. The meeting had been extended in order to receive the 2009 Strategic Assessment presentation.

The meeting ended at 11.50 a.m.