



**DORSET & WILTSHIRE
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**Minutes of the
Bournemouth & Poole Local Performance and Scrutiny Committee
held at 10:00 hours on Thursday 8 November 2018 at the
Redhill Park Community Fire Station, Bournemouth**

Members present: Cllr Ann Stribley (Chairman); Cllr Malcolm Davies; Cllr Beverley Dunlop; Cllr Vikki Slade

Officer attendance: Director of Community Safety, Assistant Chief Fire Officer (ACFO), James Mahoney; Area Manager (AM), Craig Baker; Group Manager (GM), Dave Graham; Democratic Services Officer, Mrs Marianne Taylor

18/31 Welcome

18/31.1 The Chairman opened the meeting at 10:05hrs and welcomed attendees. The Chairman respectfully reminded Members to advise Democratic Services if they were unable to attend.

18/32 Apologies

18/32.1 No apologies were received.

18/33 Code of Conduct, Declarations of Interest and Notifications of Any Other Business

18/33.1 The Chairman asked the meeting for any disclosures of pecuniary interests under the localism act. There were no disclosures.

18/34 Public Questions

18/34.1 There were no members of the public present and no public questions had been received.

18/35 Review and approve Minutes of the Bournemouth & Poole LPS meeting on 5 September 2018

18/35.1 The Chairman asked Members to review and approve the minutes from the last meeting.

18/35.2 **RESOLVED: The Minutes were approved as an accurate record and signed by the Chairman, with no amendments.**

18/36 Action progress

18/36.1 The Democratic Services Officer, Mrs Marianne Taylor, advised Members that the report contained a list of outstanding actions from previous meetings with regular update comments.

18/36.2 Mrs Taylor confirmed that since the last meeting all actions have been completed and would be removed from the Action list.

18/36.3 **RESOLVED: Members noted the actions and comments.**

18/37 Performance monitoring and briefing

18/37.1 AM Craig Baker handed over to GM Dave Graham who took Members through the 2nd Quarter's Performance Report for Bournemouth & Poole Local Performance & Scrutiny (Appendix A).

18/37.2 The three priorities that AM Baker has responsibility for in his area are:
Priority 1 Help you make safer and healthier choices
Priority 2 Protect you and the environment from harm, and
Priority 3 Be there when you need us.

18/37.3 **Priority 1**
GM Graham outlined for Members the work undertaken in Quarter 2 (Q2) covering the period July to September 2018, including the use of Pinpoint and Mosaic to identify vulnerable people. He advised Members that the Safe and Independent Living (SAIL) referral system was being refreshed and that referrals also came from members of the public.

18/37.4 GM Graham advised Members that Safe & Well (S&W) advisors have attended flu clinics and obtained referrals. GM Graham added that S&W advisors had undertaken attendance at the Royal Bournemouth Hospital and would roll this out to Poole Hospital. GM Graham confirmed to Members that Q2 saw an increase in the number of S&W visits across the area (see Appendix A).

- 18/37.5 GM Graham confirmed to Members that safety education was delivered through school visits to 714 children during the school term. He further confirmed that fire prevention education included testing smoke alarms and creating escape plans. GM Graham added that local library safety story sessions had taken place, with a focus on water safety.
- 18/37.6 GM Graham advised that a number of road safety initiatives and programmes have taken place and include Safer People and Responsible Communities (SPARC) and Prince's Trust programmes which were ongoing; Safe Drive Stay Alive in schools; and the Service also supported the 'Daily Mile' exercise programme for young people.
- 18/37.7 GM Graham provided an update on the Service's work with Ministry of Defence on the 'Survive the Drive' video which would be circulated to military personnel, nationally. He further explained reduced awareness of risk after time spent in military arena overseas.
- 18/37.8 GM Graham outlined operation 'Close Pass' advising Members that drivers were stopped and provided with advice to help reduce incidents involving cyclists and drivers. GM Graham explained the procedure the police used.
- Cllr Vikki Slade arrived.
- 18/37.9 AM Baker advised Members that he attended a recent Strategic Road Safety Partnership meeting and outlined changes to casualty numbers as a result of safety campaigns. Members noted there seemed to be a downward trend in casualties and wondered if this was reflected in the number of incidents.
- 18/37.10 **ACTION: AM Baker to provide data about road traffic incidents at the next meeting.**
- Priority 2**
- 18/37.11 GM Graham advised Members that local crews worked with partners to support safeguarding and the hoarding/self-neglect panel. Operational crews had referred seven adults as safeguarding concerns, adding that crews attend regularly to visit local vulnerable people.
- 18/37.12 Members were interested in levels of training relating to child sexuality education because of recent concerns about pop-up brothels. AM Baker advised this is covered under safeguarding training.
- 18/37.13 Members discussed sleeping risk priorities including Airbnb regulation, which was through the local authority, adding that this was not necessarily under the fire regulations due to the nature of the 'let', which was not currently flagged as a significant risk by the Service.

- 18/37.14 AM Baker advised Members that the Service would take advice about Airbnb from the Service's Barrister before taking any action. ACFO Mahoney added that the Service was monitoring the situation.
- 18/37.15 GM Graham advised that in the B&P area the Service supported seven primary authority agreements. GM Graham further advised Members that there was a range of site specific information which was collated on one data platform; prisons agreements were in place; waste site planning was carried out; and specialist exercises to test theoretical planning also took place.
- 18/37.16 GM Graham showed the familiarisation video about Mobile Data Terminals (MDT) and the demountable Removable Data Terminals (RDT) for Members. It outlined the methods and uses for MDTs and RDTs. ACFO Mahoney advised Members that all MDTs and RDTs will be fitted with SIM cards to further aid recovery and form filling for S&W visits. As part of the film a drone was deployed showing how this helped the commander make strategic decisions with a greater visual input.
- 18/37.17 GM Graham also provided information relating to our Community Map technology (CMT). This detailed the operating area for Poole based fire stations. AM Mahoney provided background to primary and secondary deliberate fires, adding the secondary fires are those reported as litter bin fires or other small fires.
- 18/37.18 Members were interested to learn about community risk patterns and trends. ACFO Mahoney provided relative detail which showed where the highest risks were and where to target S&W visits. Members were impressed with the ability of modern technology to provide relevant intelligence to better reflect the communities served, which included information about equality, diversity and inclusion.
- 18/37.19 ACFO Mahoney added that CMT supports station managers to make smarter plans locally, as well as risk assessing impacts for local communities.
- 18/37.20 GM Graham attended a Local Resilience Forum business management meeting which enabled him to keep abreast of regional risks. He added that local staff attended exercises which take place with partner organisations and other emergency services.
- Priority 3**
- 18/37.21 GM Graham provided Members with statistical information about appliance availability, operational licensing, competencies and recruitment which was available in Appendix A to this report. GM Graham confirmed there had been 100% availability for Wholetime and 75% availability for On-Call.

- 18/37.22 *#Have a go* sessions were successful in helping communities to understand the role of On-Call firefighters. ACFO Mahoney confirmed to Members that targeting for the recruitment was managed locally and through social and other media. He added that Sunseeker Poole relationships were excellent in providing On-Call availability to Poole Harbour area.
- 18/37.23 GM Graham confirmed to Members that failure to meet targets on response times was investigated and showed no significant trends. GM Graham added that many were only missed by a matter of seconds.
- 18/37.24 AM Baker advised Members of a recent fire related death, ongoing investigation work and, subject to HM Coroners' judgement, upon cause of death.
- 18/37.25 GM Graham advised Members that learning from debriefs was captured, filtered and provided to the Training and Response Coordination Group (TRCG).
- 18/37.26 **RESOLVED: Members Approved performance for Quarter 2.**
- 18/38 Issues raised by Members (agreed with chairman)**
- 18/38.1 Members enquired into how the service supported people to be safe in their home once they were discharged from hospital.
- 18/38.2 GM Graham advised Members that the expectation was that once the Service was notified through the discharge panels the usual referral system would capture the information and flag a S&W visit as a high priority. ACFO Mahoney added that work was ongoing with the NHS locally. The Chairman undertook to follow up on this matter, if required.
- 18/38.3 **ACTION: The Head of Prevention and Protection, AM Seth Why, to provide updated information about referrals from discharge panels to GM Graham, to feed back to next meeting.**
- 18/39 Date of Next Meeting**
- 18/39.1 The Chairman confirmed the date of the next Bournemouth & Poole Local Performance and Scrutiny Committee meeting as 14 February 2019 at venue would be advised.
- 18/39.2 Member discussed the May 2019 meeting and the potential outcomes of the Dorset wide Local Government Review. Considering this Members asked that Q4 performance be provided to them if the LPS meeting was cancelled.

18/39.3 **ACTION: Q4 performance be provided to Members by GM Graham if the May LPS meeting was cancelled.**

The meeting closed at 11:43hrs

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