

September 18th, 2024

Notice Of Meeting

You are requested to attend the meeting to be held on **Tuesday, 24th September 2024 at 6:00 pm** in **O'Hagan House, Monaghan Row, Newry.**

Agenda

1.0 Welcome, Chairperson's Remarks and Apologies

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8.0 Date and Time of Next Meeting

26 November 2024 at 6pm

Downshire Civic Centre and online via Teams.

Invitees

Cllr Terry Andrews

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Cllr Conor Galbraith

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Cllr Oonagh Hanlon

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Cllr Roisin Howell

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Cllr Aidan Mathers

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Cllr Declan Murphy

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Cllr Henry Reilly

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Cllr David Taylor

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Cllr Jill Truesdale

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POLICING COMMITTEE AND POLICING AND COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP**Minutes of the Newry, Mourne & Down Policing Committee and Policing & Community Safety Partnership Meeting held on Tuesday 30 July 2024 at 6.00pm in the Downshire Chamber, Downpatrick and remotely via MS Teams**

In attendance in Chamber:

Councillor T Andrews, NMDDC (Chair)
Councillor C Galbraith, NMDDC
Councillor O Hanlon, NMDDC
Councillor A Mathers NMDDC
Councillor D Murphy NMDDC
Councillor K Murphy NMDDC
Councillor H Reilly, NMDDC
Chief Inspector Peter Stevenson, PSNI
Inspector Adam Corner, PSNI
Inspector Darren Hardy, PSNI
Inspector Sheila Loughran, PSNI
Sergeant Ryan Duffy, PSNI
Martina Byrne, PCSP Independent Member
Niall Lawlor, PCSP Independent Member
Louise Kennedy, PCSP Independent Member
Anne Sheridan, PCSP Independent Member
William Slater, PCSP Independent Member
Roisin Leckey, PBNI
Aileen O'Callaghan, EANI
Claire Creaney, NIHE
Gareth Morgan, NIHE

In attendance via Teams:

Superintendent Norman Haslett, PSNI
Councillor K Feehan, NMDDC
Councillor J Truesdale, NMDDC
Colleen McCreesh, PCSP Independent Member
Michelle Osborne, PCSP Independent Member
Michael Heaney, YJA
Josephine Morgan, NIHE

Officials in attendance in Chamber:

Alison Robb, Assistant Director Community Development
Martina Flynn, Acting Head of Engagement
Jacqueline Urey, PCSP Officer
Amy McKeown, Monitoring & Evaluation Officer - PCSP and Good Relations
Shane McGivern, Safer Communities & Good Relations Officer

1 Welcome, Chairperson's Remarks and Apologies

Councillor Andrews welcomed Members to the Partnership meeting.

Apologies were received from Councillor David Taylor, Tara Campbell and David Vint.

Councillor Andrews welcomed the six new Independent Members to the meeting – William Slater, Niall Lawlor, Martina Byrne, Colleen McCreesh, Louise Kennedy & Anne Sheridan.

A welcome was also extended to the returning Independent Members – David Vint, Tara Campbell and Michelle Osborne. Michelle Osborne has been appointed as the Vice Chairperson of the PCSP, Councillor Andrews added that he looks forward to working with Michelle and all members over the coming term.

It was noted that members have received the schedule of PCSP events and activities for the period July & August 2024 – there is a wide range of events taking place and Member attendance is encouraged where possible.

2 Declarations of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest.

3 Draft Minutes of PCSP & Policing Committee Meeting dated 28 May 2024

Read: Minutes of PCSP & Policing Committee Meeting held on 28 May 2024 (copy circulated).

Agreed: On the proposal of Councillor Reilly, seconded by Councillor Mathers, it was agreed to approve the Minutes of the Policing Committee and PCSP Meeting held on 28 May 2024 as a true and accurate record.

4 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

5 District Commander's Report – Period 2

Read: District Commander's Report – Period 2 (copy circulated)

Chief Inspector Stevenson welcomed the new and returning Members to the PCSP and also welcomed Councillor Andrews as the new Chairperson.

Chief Inspector Stevenson went through the report for the last reporting period, noting that with regards to victims of crime being updated within the PSNI ten-day target, PSNI NMD has achieved a 98.7% compliance rate with that.

Engagement

PSNI have continued with engagement - on 22 June Officers from the Newry NPT attended an event at Damolly Football Club with the mobile engagement vehicle, there were approximately 50 young people in attendance. The East Down NPT delivered a vape and drugs talk for parents on 6 June at the St. Patrick Centre, Downpatrick. On 17 May South Down NPT attended St Louis Grammar School in Killeel to speak to 100 Fifth Year students about a range of subjects including assault, criminal damage and harassment. Slieve Gullion North NPT on

30 June attended the Newry Agricultural Show with the mobile engagement vehicle alongside the Crime Prevention Officer and PCSP Staff.

Social Media

At present, PSNI Newry, Mourne and Down have 73,991 followers on Facebook with a fortnightly reach of 328,817. On Twitter, there are 9,040 followers and on Nextdoor there are 14,784 members with 58 posts added in 2024.

Hate Crime

Within this reporting period there has been a 41.9% decrease in hate motivated crime. There has also been a 16.7% decrease in hate motivated incidents. Racial hate crime incidents are currently the highest reported at 57, followed by sectarian at 40 and sexual orientation at 16. Overall, there has been a reduction of 62 crimes during the rolling 365 day period.

Vulnerability

PSNI currently lead on 8 out the 9 current cohorts and are engaging and supporting 55 vulnerable persons identified, these are reviewed on a daily basis.

Anti-Social Behaviour

A reduction in Anti-Social Behaviour remains a priority for D District. There have been some successes during the last reporting period particularly around the Neighbourhood Teams performing ASB foot and cycle patrols which have been very well received. Slieve Gullion North NPT officers noted ASB being reported in the Dungormley Estate in Newtownhamilton, targeted patrols were set for that area and patrols were increased to help address this.

Domestic Abuse

Domestic related incidents have decreased by 252 incidents in the rolling 365-day period. There has been a significant reduction in domestic offences with a decrease of 418 which is down to 1,573 compared to 1,991 in the previous 365 days. It is believed that there is a greater confidence in the reporting of domestic offences not only to PSNI but also Women's Aid, Men's Advisory Project and other charities. Officers have received additional training from Women's Aid which has enhanced the officer's ability to recognise and support victims of domestic abuse.

Operation Encompass

Upon the commencement of Op Encompass in the 23/24 school year to 30 June 2024, Police have attended 791 domestic incidents where the Op Encompass criteria has been met. This has required a total of 1,029 referrals to designated teachers across Schools and Further Education Colleges.

Road Safety

In the report, it has been noted that there were no fatal traffic collisions in the last reporting period. However, Chief Inspector Stevenson reported that on Sunday 28 July a 50-year-old motorcyclist sadly lost their life on the Downpatrick Road in Killyleagh. Road safety is one of the biggest priorities for PSNI with all officers focussed on the fatal five offences. On 13 May, officers from the Safer Transport Team spoke to pupils at Ballynahinch Primary School about

road safety. Throughout May and June officers continued to conduct pro-active road safety operations utilising the data from the Speed Indicator Devices, analytical reports from traffic collisions and areas of community concern to focus their efforts. This resulted in a number of detections, arrests and vehicle seizures. During the reporting period there were 70 speeding detections, 12 detections of disqualified driving and a further 47 vehicles were detected being driven with no insurance.

Drugs

Drugs remain a priority and PSNI robustly investigate drug offences being committed across the District. This is demonstrated in the District Commander's Report and is also highlighted in Social Media and on the News Sections of the PSNI website.

From 1 April 2024 to 16 July 2024 Police have conducted 25 inspections at the 21 RAPID Bins with a total of 4,438 items recovered and subsequently safely disposed of.

Slieve Gullion South NPT made two arrests in relation to a drink driving incident which also resulted in an intent to supply Class A Drugs, possession of Class A, possession of Class B and no insurance.

Crime

The current outcome rate is 36% which is an increase on this time last year. The total crimes reported for the period are 8,401 compared to 10,076 recorded in the previous year. On 5 July, Police received a report of a burglary and assault of an occupant at a property. Police attended the address and as a result of their enquiries were able to arrest two offenders for burglary, possession of Class B Drugs, threats to kill and possession of an offensive weapon. Cannabis was also seized during a house search in that incident and both people were dealt with through the justice system.

South Armagh Policing Review

45 out of the 47 recommendations have been completed which equates to a 96% completion and work is ongoing on the final two recommendations.

General

Chief Inspector Stevenson highlighted some good Police work that has been carried out over the period. On 17 June, there was a burglary in action in Camlough where a reported male in a vehicle was also observed acting suspiciously. Following a search, a male was located and arrested for possession of Class B drugs and a further individual was found and arrested for failing to stop and driving whilst disqualified. One of the males was also charged with theft.

Furthermore, Police received a report of a stolen vehicle that was sighted travelling in the direction of Newry. Police were reverse rammed at speed by the suspect vehicle and the suspect fled on foot, an ambulance attended and two Officers were taken to hospital as a result of their injuries. The individual was detained the following day and was found to have Class B Drugs and a knife in his possession. The individual was arrested and charged with a number of offences.

Chief Inspector Stevenson discussed assaults on Police, noting that in the period April-May 2024 Police attended 17 separate incidents which resulted in 34 officers being assaulted.

Significant Incidents

There have been a number of significant incidents during this reporting period.

The murder on the Annaghmore Road in Crossmaglen was discussed where a 74-year-old victim was murdered in his home. An individual has been arrested for this and investigations continue.

On 20 June, at Monaghan Street in Newry, a suspected device was found taped to a lamp post. This was described as viable, ATO dealt with this and the investigation is ongoing with CID leading on this.

On 21 July, there was a report of an attempted murder at Ballaghbeg Park Newcastle. Police attended to a report of a 26-year-old male having been attacked with a sword. A suspect was located and arrested for GBH with intent, possession of an offensive weapon with intent and attempted murder. The investigation is being led by CID.

Councillor Andrews thanked Chief Inspector Stevenson for the report.

Councillor Feehan discussed the recent incident regarding a PSNI vehicle in Camlough on the previous Sunday (28 July 2024) following Armagh's All Ireland win. Councillor Feehan added there was a lot of fervour and enthusiasm around Armagh's win with many people on the streets. Councillor Feehan stated that when he first saw the imagery of PSNI Officers essentially reaching out the hand of friendship to local people in Camlough he was taken by the positivity of the image and viewed it as progress and something that everyone would support. Councillor Feehan added that he was hopeful that there would be consensus from the Committee to write to the Police Ombudsman or the PSNI Chief Constable pointing to the fact that the scenes in Camlough on Sunday night were a positive step towards building trust in Community Policing. This was not necessarily to offer support to anyone in particular as there is an investigation underway, but recognising the positive contribution that the intervention from Police in Camlough on Sunday night has made to local confidence and trust in policing.

Councillor Reilly advised that there is a large section of the community who feel completely detached from Gaelic football. Councillor Reilly added that he received complaints about the incident in Camlough from some who think there may be bias shown towards the CNR Community and feel that there is two tier policing. Councillor Reilly added that this was not his perception but it is perception from a large section of the Protestant Community. Councillor Reilly noted that he would not like to see the officer in question lose their job but added he would not be supporting Councillor Feehan's proposal.

Councillor D Murphy stated that the incident has been blown out of proportion to some degree and that he would not wish to elevate it by writing to the Ombudsman or Chief Constable, stating that it should be dealt with locally. Councillor Murphy added that it is up to political representatives in an area to deal with perceptions rather than feed into these.

Councillor Feehan added that he recognised what Councillor Reilly said in terms of parts of the community feeling disconnected from the GAA and advised that the point he was making was that traditionally and historically, substantial proportions of the population have felt disconnected from the PSNI and he viewed the interaction on Sunday night to be a positive one. Councillor Feehan also said he recognised what Councillor Murphy said in terms of not wanting to contribute perhaps unnecessarily to the profile and prominence of the issue. Councillor Feehan added that his request to write to the PSNI and Police Ombudsman was to

encourage and strike a balance in terms of the contributions made as a result of the incident. If the concern that keeping it local would be better, he would be happy to explore that, but reiterated that one of the core objectives of the PCSP is to support community confidence in policing.

Anne Sheridan added that she supported Councillor Feehan's proposal and that this is what the Partnership is for, to support the hand of friendship when offered by the Police and to build on those relationships and she would like to see this acknowledged by the Partnership.

Councillor Truesdale spoke of the great atmosphere and the achievement for Armagh and agreed with Councillor Murphy that due process needs to take its course.

Colleen McCreesh stated that she has spoken to people from the South Armagh community about the incident. They spoke to her about how positive it was and that they would not like to see a police officer dismissed or punished for something that has had such a positive impact. Colleen added that Neighbourhood Policing Teams should be part of helping communities celebrate successes.

Mrs. Flynn referred to Councillor Feehan's proposal and referred to the Standing Orders of the PCSP. Where possible the Partnership should try to make decisions by agreement and consensus. If there is not agreement in the Chamber, the decision is decided by a majority of the members present and entitled to vote - that being the Elected Members and Independent Members only.

Councillor Reilly said that he does not want to see anything happen to the Officer in question but also stated that the Partnership should uphold the standards of legal due process and not try to affect the outcome of an independent inquiry.

Councillor Feehan advised that at no point was it his intention to interfere with an ongoing investigation and that the nature of the proposal was that the Committee recognise that interaction between the PSNI and the local people in Camlough on Sunday evening had a positive impact on community relations and not to ask for any intervention or interference in the process. Councillor Feehan said that what he was asking for was a recognition from the PCSP Committee that what took place in Camlough on Sunday evening was a positive step towards building confidence in policing in the South Armagh area.

Councillor D Murphy agreed with Councillor Feehan that the incident may have been good for public relations but that stated that it should be left to the PSNI to deal with the situation locally. The PCSP could acknowledge the good work that has taken place in the area, building positive relations between the PSNI and the local population.

Councillor Feehan advised that he is happy to support a statement of intent from the Partnership recognising that Sunday evening was a positive step towards building trust in policing in South Armagh.

Moving on, Superintendent Haslett paid tribute to the outgoing PCSP Chairperson Councillor Oonagh Hanlon and Deputy Chairperson Audrey Byrne and noted the commitment they had demonstrated to the PCSP during their tenure. Superintendent Haslett also welcomed Councillor Andrews as the new Chairperson and Michelle Osborne as Vice Chairperson, stating that he looks forward to working with them both.

Superintendent Haslett added that he was joining online from England and apologised that he could not be there in person. Superintendent Haslett expressed his congratulations to the

Armagh GAA team and advised that the PSNI acknowledged the victory in a tweet that went out on Sunday evening. On the issue of the incident in Camlough on Sunday evening, Superintendent Haslett acknowledged that there are two very different narratives as to how that has been received by different sections of the community and concluded by saying an investigation has been instigated which will be concluded in due course.

Councillor Mathers raised the recent pipe bomb attack in Monaghan Street and asked where the investigation is, whether local businesses had been spoken to and was there any potential for further threat. Councillor Mathers added that there was a huge loss of business to the properties in Monaghan Street and neighbouring businesses have been enquiring in relation to the incident. Councillor Mathers asked if some reassurance could be given to those businesses.

Chief Inspector Stevenson advised that he would ask the Newry NPT to go out to the businesses in Monaghan Street and provide some level of reassurance. Chief Inspector Stevenson thanked Councillor Mathers for his support on the day of the pipe bomb attack.

Louise Kennedy commented on the PSNI report, specifically the reduction in hate crime incidents and domestic offences. Louise added that these are under-reported crimes and the nature of them means that sometimes that lower statistics do not necessarily mean better outcomes, it can mean that people are too afraid to come forward. Louise stated that she is heartened to hear about the work with Women's Aid and also spoke of the anti-migrant sentiment that has been happening across the UK and Ireland and asked if the PSNI have seen any impact in this District of those issues.

Chief Inspector Stevenson advised that PSNI have not seen anything in relation to the issues mentioned. In relation to both domestic abuse and hate crimes, PSNI are very focused on these and have an Inspector that leads on both issues. Chief Inspector Stevenson added that the outcome rates match the reporting and although there has been a reduction, PSNI have maintained the level of criminal justice outcome which means they are getting more for victims.

Louise referred to the assaults on Police and the strain that is put on Officers. Louise also noted that assurance and empathy from Police often leads to better outcomes and achieves best evidence, especially when dealing with victims of domestic abuse and other crimes.

Councillor Truesdale discussed knife crime including the incident in Ballaghbeg in Newcastle and events in Southport, England. Councillor Truesdale asked in relation to youth and community engagement, are PSNI educating regarding knife crime and its impact.

Chief Inspector Stevenson added the East Down NPT and Armed Response attended a knife safety engagement event in Ballynahinch on 14 May. Chief Inspector Stevenson advised that this is at the forefront of the community work being carried out by PSNI and other than the highlighted incidents there is not a high amount of knife crime in the District, but PSNI are being pro-active in keeping these figures low.

Councillor Reilly thanked the Police for recently stopping youths on scramblers in Newry and added that scramblers are an issue throughout the District.

Councillor Reilly advised that he had suggested to Council a number of months ago that the two unused landfill sites at Aughnagun and Downpatrick could be used for electric motorcycles and quads. Councillor Reilly also raised concerns about fireworks going off in Kilkeel and which have been a concern for local families, terrifying children and pets.

Councillor Hanlon added that in relation to scramblers it has been brought to her attention that there is a spike around the Strangford Road/ Harry's Loney in Downpatrick and asked PSNI to look into this.

Chief Inspector Stevenson advised that the NPTs would be briefed in relation to the fireworks and the scramblers asked that residents be encouraged to report incidents via 101.

Mrs. Flynn asked for clarity on the earlier discussion on the events in Camlough for the purpose of the Minutes. It was clarified that the proposal is that the Partnership write to the PSNI and not the Ombudsman to acknowledge the very positive role and the contribution towards positive community relations which the PSNI have committed to in South Armagh and not refer to the incident at the weekend and let due process follow. This approach was agreed by Members.

Action: M Flynn to write to the PSNI on behalf of the Partnership and acknowledge the contribution towards positive community relations which the PSNI have committed to in South Armagh.

Councillor Andrews thanked the PSNI for their report and all for their contribution to the discussion.

6 SIDS Report

Mrs Flynn advised that as Members will be aware, there has been ongoing discussion in relation to the Speed Indicator Signs that have been installed across the District over the last number of years. There has been a recurrent discussion about the potential to relocate some of those signs given that no further funding will be available for new Signs. Mrs. Flynn has had some discussion with the Department of Justice and the Policing Board and they advised that they are content that the Partnership consider the potential relocation of some of the existing Signs. This would be subject to a number of conditions as outlined in the report - the background work will be done in this financial year with any costs provided for in the 25/26 PCSP budget. Mrs. Flynn asked that members are mindful of the costs of installation works to date, as this may compromise other elements of road safety activity depending on the available budget at the time.

Councillor Hanlon welcomed the report and acknowledged that it is something that has been discussed at length previously. Councillor Hanlon also recognised that there will be a lot of challenges with moving a SID out of an area. Councillor Hanlon asked how the consultation with local communities would actually work.

Mrs. Flynn advised that the SID Sub Group will have to clearly consider all of the available evidence and data to help make an informed decision. One of the things to do would be look at the reserve list with DFI which has over 100 sites. The PCSP will need to talk to other agencies and see what works are maybe planned to make sure there is not any potential for duplication. That will underpin the engagement with communities as every decision will need to be evidence based with a clear rationale in every case. In terms of engaging with the community the Sub Group will need to consider that further, the DEA Fora will have a key role to play in supporting this message and PCSP members will also have a key role. The PCSP will work in conjunction with the NMDDC Marketing Team regarding public messaging. Evidence will be required from DFI and PSNI in terms of a written report of how the data from the SIDs

clearly influences PSNI speed operations and the impact of those. Evidence of enforcement at each site is going to be crucial and will be something that will take time to gather.

Councillor Andrews advised that in relation to membership of the SIDs Sub Group, each of the parties represented on the PCSP will need to put forward a representative.

Mrs. Flynn added the proposed Terms of Reference allows for up to 5 Elected Members and 5 Independent Members to sit on the SIDs Sub Group.

Agreed: On the proposal of Councillor Hanlon, seconded by Councillor Reilly it was agreed the Committee:

- **Approve the report.**
- **Approve the reconvening of the PCSP SIDs Sub Group to support the process of SID relocation across the Council District and approve the draft Terms of Reference for the SIDs Sub Group.**
- **Approve a community consultation process which will assist with communications and public messaging.**
- **Approve the relocation of one SID per DEA in 2025/26 and make provision for these works in the PCSP budget for that year.**

7 PCSP Officer Report

Read: PCSP Officer Report (copy circulated)

Mrs Flynn advised that the PCSP Officer Report is for noting and highlighted that correspondence has been issued to members with regards to the cross-border community safety work. The next event takes place on 2 October 2 in Mullingar and will focus on road safety. Mrs. Flynn will re-issue the information to Members and encouraged attendance. Given the earlier discussions around road safety this is going to be a very important event and an opportunity to learn from good practice in the Republic of Ireland.

Mrs. Leckey commented on the SIDs data and the figures e.g. 566 vehicles travelling over 70mph in Camlough. Mrs. Flynn added that the issue of speeding in Camlough has been consistently raised. There has been consistent focus on excessive high speeds that have been recorded at other sites but the violations in Camlough are equally as dangerous as it indicates inherent behaviour. This is the type of thing that will be looked at when SIDs are being relocated, clear data from PSNI will be needed in terms of how data is being used to inform operations and the impact of those in terms of enforcement.

Agreed: It was agreed the Committee:

- **Note the report**

8 ASB Sub Group Report

Read: ASB Sub Group Report (copy circulated)

Councillor Reilly commented that during the period over 12 July, the PCSP and statutory partners including NIFRS and PSNI did great work with no issues reported.

Agreed: On the proposal of Councillor Mathers, seconded by Michelle Osborne it was agreed the Committee:

- **Note the report**
- **Approve the Draft Action Sheet of ASB Sub Group 1 held on 21 May 2024.**

9 Date of Next Meeting

The next PCSP & Policing Committee Meeting will be held Tuesday 24 September 2024 at 6pm, this will be held in Monaghan Row, Newry with a hybrid option available.

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 7.20pm.

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ACTION SHEET- POLICING COMMITTEE AND PCSP – 30 July 2024

AGENDA ITEM	SUBJECT	DECISION	Lead officer	Actions Taken/Progress to date	Remove from Action Sheet Y/N
5	PSNI – Slieve Gullion Area	M Flynn to write to the PSNI on behalf of the Partnership and acknowledge the contribution towards positive community relations which the PSNI have committed to in South Armagh.	M Flynn	Complete	Y

Report to:	Policing & Community Safety Partnership
Date of Meeting:	24 September 2024
Subject:	PCSP Officer Report – September 2024
Reporting Officer (Including Job Title):	Shannon Creaney, Safer Communities and Good Relations Manager (Acting)
Contact Officer (Including Job Title):	Shannon Creaney, Safer Communities and Good Relations Manager (Acting)

Confirm how this Report should be treated by placing an x in either:-

For decision	<input type="checkbox"/>	For noting only	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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1.0	Purpose and Background
1.1	<p>Purpose</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To note the report. To note the attached PCSP Officer Report.
1.2	<p>Background</p> <p>The attached report provides Members with an update on the progress of the PCSP Action Plan since the previous PCSP meeting on 30 July 2024.</p>
2.0	Key issues
2.1	None.
3.0	Recommendations
3.1	<p>That the Committee:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Note the report. Note the attached PCSP Officer Report.
4.0	Resource implications
4.1	<p>Revenue</p> <p>All actions are budgeted for in the PCSP 2024/25 Action Plan</p> <p>Capital</p> <p>N/A</p>
5.0	Due regard to equality of opportunity and regard to good relations (complete the relevant sections)
5.1	<p><i>General proposal with no clearly defined impact upon, or connection to, specific equality and good relations outcomes</i></p> <p>It is not anticipated the proposal will have an adverse impact upon equality of opportunity or good relations <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>
5.2	<p><i>Proposal relates to the introduction of a strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or sensitive or contentious decision</i></p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If yes, please complete the following:</p>

	<p>The policy (strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or decision) has been equality screened <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>The policy (strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or decision) will be subject to equality screening prior to implementation <input type="checkbox"/></p>
5.3	<p>Proposal initiating consultation Consultation will seek the views of those directly affected by the proposal, address barriers for particular Section 75 equality categories to participate and allow adequate time for groups to consult amongst themselves <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Consultation period will be 12 weeks <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Consultation period will be less than 12 weeks (rationale to be provided) <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><i>Rationale:</i></p>
6.0	Due regard to Rural Needs (please tick all that apply)
6.1	<p>Proposal relates to developing, adopting, implementing or revising a policy / strategy / plan / designing and/or delivering a public service</p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If yes, please complete the following: Rural Needs Impact Assessment completed <input type="checkbox"/></p>
7.0	Appendices
7.1	Appendix I: PCSP Officer Report – September 2024
8.0	Background Documents
8.1	None.

Newry, Mourne and Down PCSP Officer Report – September 2024

The purpose of this Report is to provide an update on key activities and progress since the last PCSP meeting on 30 July 2024.

An update will also be provided on key areas which have been discussed by Members and where a more detailed update may be considered useful. During this reporting period Members should note progress in the specific areas below –

- **PCSP Reconstitution** – New PCSP Independent Member appointments were confirmed by the Policing Board on 1 June 2024. The NI Policing Board are hosting induction training for new PCSP members on the 30th of September 2024 from 6-8pm in the Armagh City Hotel.

Overview of progress against PCSP Action Plan 2024/25

Strategic Priority 1: To ensure effective delivery in response to local need, and improve the visibility and recognition of the work of the PCSP through effective communication and engagement

Theme	Aims & description	Key Activities in this Period (July - September 2024)
PCSP Delivery	Organising the work of the PCSP through appropriate structures and mechanisms	<p>PCSP Sub Groups (ASB & Bonfire Sub Groups) have now been reconstituted following the reconstitution of the PCSP on 1 June 2024.</p> <p>ASB Sub Group 2 met in Newcastle on the 20th of August 2024. ASB Sub Group 1 met in Newry on 3rd of September 2024.</p> <p>Bonfire Sub Group met online on the 16th of September 2024.</p> <p>The SID Sub Group is scheduled to meet on the 27th of September 2024 in Newcastle.</p>

<p>Raise awareness of PCSP</p>	<p>To evidence impact through increased awareness of the PCSP</p>	<p>Continued development of PCSP social media channels (including Facebook and Twitter). PCSP staff are now responsible for managing all social media channels. Social media continues to be key to communication with local communities and the general public.</p> <p>PCSP Officers have recently attended a series of events which have assisted with raising awareness of our work – these events have included Sure Start Family Fun Day in Newry, a water safety event in Kilkeel, RNLI Day in Newcastle, Crossfire Trust Summer Camp in Crossmaglen and a festival safety youth event in Warrenpoint.</p> <p>Feedback from these has been very positive and the events have also created new opportunities for partnership working.</p> <p>PCSP staff have continued to work with cross-border partners and recently joined with Longford County Council and Drogheda Implementation Board to submit an application to the Department of Justice (Republic Of Ireland) Community Safety Innovation Fund – €30,000 has subsequently been awarded to establish an All Island Community Safety Network. This Network will create opportunities to share ideas, good practice and develop projects around community safety, community / police engagement and also provide networking opportunities across all bodies, North & South. Funding has been awarded to support a series of cross-border community safety events over the next two years.</p> <p>The next cross-border event is scheduled to take place in the Bloomfield House Hotel, Mullingar on 2 October. This event will focus on Road Safety and members have been invited to attend.</p>
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Strategic Priority 2: To improve community safety by addressing local community safety issues, tackling crime and anti-social behaviour

Theme	Aims & description	Key Activities in this Period (July – September 2024)
<p>ASB</p>	<p>Develop a range diversionary youth & community</p>	<p>Both ASB Sub Groups continue to work to the Action Plans for their respective areas.</p> <p>Throughout August, PCSP worked in partnership with partner agencies on Summer provision across the Council District. Activities included pop-up youth events (in the Bosco Youth Centre), a Festival Safety event ad a</p>

	engagement projects	<p>diversionary summer scheme in Warrenpoint, as well as a water safety event in Kilkeel in partnership with the Education Authority. Feedback from these events have been excellent.</p> <p>PCSP also worked in partnership with the Respect Project on the provision of a 13-week diversionary programme in the Newry area (commenced 10 July 2024 and finished in August 2024). Over 500 young people took part in the programme with great feedback from all participants. Feedback from the local communities stated this was a key resource in reducing ASB and providing diversionary activities for young people in the Newry area during the summer.</p>
	Provision of a District-wide Community Safety Warden Scheme	<p>The Community Safety Warden Scheme remains operational across the District. Areas of focus for the CSWs continue to be Newry, Downpatrick, Newcastle and Warrenpoint. Service hours remain under ongoing review and further increased deployment will take place in other areas as required and in response to local need.</p> <p>448 hours of Community Safety Warden patrols were provided from 13th July 2024 – 7th September 2024. A detailed report is included at Appendix 1.</p>
PCSP Small Grants	Provision of a small grants programme to increase the capacity of the community to address community safety issues	<p>The PCSP Small Grants Scheme for 2024/25 opened on 22 January 2024 and closed on 28 February 2024. 51 applications were received – 44 applications have been approved, with a total of £85,254 awarded. Letters of Offer have now been issued to all groups and pre-commencement workshops with groups took place on 5 June (Newcastle) and 6 June (Newry). These were very well attended with excellent attendance from groups.</p> <p>Further information has been issued to Members about projects and activities supported by the Small Grants Scheme after the induction evenings.</p>
Theme	Aims & description	Key Activities in this Period (July – September 2024)
Drugs and Alcohol	To support the delivery of a range of programmes,	Officer attendance at SEDACT and SDACT meetings in this Period.

	and develop a range of awareness raising campaigns	<p>A Community Safety & Wellbeing event took place in Downpatrick Leisure Centre on 9 September 2024. Over 30 local organisations were in attendance with almost 100 members of the public dropping in throughout the day to receive information.</p> <p>We are also liaising with Theresa Burke re: a series of presentations to Southern Regional College (SRC) Students– details of these are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SRC Greenbank Campus – 10AM - 12th of November 2024 • SRC Newry East Campus – 2PM – 12th November 2024 • SRC Newry Model Campus – 10AM – 13th November 2024 <p>We are currently working with Davina’s Ark on a media project focusing on the issue of increased cannabis use in our local communities (completion date – September 2024).</p>
	To support the development of the RAPID Bin initiative across the NMDDC area	<p>A total of 21 RAPID Bins have now been installed across the District.</p> <p>On the 28th of August, the PCSP Officer along with Start360 held a pop-up RAPID promotion stall at Newry Leisure Centre. This was to raise awareness of the RAPID bins in the Newry area. RAPID leaflets which include locations of the RAPID bins in the NMD District have also been distributed throughout pharmacies and GP Surgeries throughout the Newry & Mourne area.</p> <p>An update on the most recent collections from the RAPID Bins will be provided at the Partnership meeting on 24 September.</p>
Domestic Crime / Abuse and Sexual Violence	To support the delivery of a range of programmes, and develop a range of awareness raising campaigns	<p>Inter-agency work progressed in this period – Officer attendance at the Down Subgroup of the South Eastern Domestic & Sexual Violence Partnership and the Southern Area Domestic Violence Partnership.</p> <p>The PCSP is currently engaging with Women’s Aid ArmaghDown to agree how the PCSP can effectively support local services in 2024/25 – a partnership approach with ABC PCSP is being explored to maximise our engagement and potential outcomes. We are also supporting the new One Stop Shop which Women’s Aid are launching in Newry on 3 October 2024.</p>

<p>Community Safety & Vulnerability</p>	<p>To develop and implement a range of community safety initiatives for vulnerable persons</p>	<p>Continued attendance at local multi-agency partnership meetings including and Newry, Mourne & Down Intercultural Forum, Locality Planning Groups (Newry & South Armagh) and local Inter-Agency Forums.</p> <p>PCSP Officers are attending Newcomer Stakeholder Forum meetings in Newry and Newcastle.</p> <p>Personal safety & crime prevention talks were recently delivered to vulnerable adults in Newry & Kilkeel, this also included a pop-up safety stall at the Buttercrane Shopping Centre and Diasy Hill Hospital in Newry. Further events are planned across the District for Autumn 2024.</p> <p>PCSP Officers have plans to continue their visits to local Primary Schools with colleagues from the PSNI throughout September and October, particularly on the lead up to Halloween.</p> <p>PCSP are hosting a Youth Safety & Wellbeing event in Newry on 10 October 2024 - we are working with partners from the PSNI, Education Authority and the Crisis Café on the format for the event. Information has been sent to all post-primary schools in the Newry area and attendance confirmed for approx. 400 students.</p> <p>Continued attendance at DEA Fora to provide updates on PCSP work and linkages.</p>
	<p>Newry, Mourne & Down Community Support Partnership</p>	<p>The Community Support Partnership continues to engage with a number of vulnerable adults; the most recent meeting took place on 30 May 2024. Since its formation in late 2019 the Partnership has provided dedicated support to 34 individuals. This support has included help to access a range of services (including mental health, addiction and general health services), assistance with housing issues and return to education, employment and volunteering opportunities.</p>
<p>Road Safety</p>	<p>To support and promote road safety initiatives</p>	<p>Continued support to Road Safe NI (Newry, Mourne and Down Committee). The Road Ahead Support Group continues to meet and offer support to families and individuals impacted by Road Traffic Collisions.</p> <p>28 SIDs are now installed across the District. Data has been downloaded from SIDs across the District and a detailed report prepared for Members (see Appendix 2). There has been a further decrease in speed and the number of speed limit violations in the vicinity of the Signs. We have now moved to a remote data monitoring model for 19 of the Signs – this has resulted in a much more efficient information management system and allow for savings in both staff time and travel costs.</p>

		<p>The Castlewella SID was replaced in July 24 as it was previously damaged beyond economic repair - water ingress was possibly caused after an impact (stone maybe thrown up from the road or getting clipped by a wide vehicle passing). Unfortunately, this sign has been damaged again in September 24 – potentially due to impact from a wide vehicle passing. This will be considered further at the SIDs Sub Group meeting on 27 September.</p> <p>PCSP Officers recently delivered No Parking Signs to St. Oliver’s Primary School in Forkhill.</p> <p>The PSNI Roadsafe Roadshow has been confirmed for St. Paul’s High School, Bessbrook on 7 November 2024.</p>
Fear of Crime, Burglary & Crime Prevention	To support communities to protect themselves and their property to reduce the fear of crime	<p>The Home Secure Service remains open to referrals (124 referrals have been received since 1 April 2024); 100% of beneficiaries report feeling safer as a result of the interventions.</p> <p>The Social Alarm Scheme also remains operational. We are continuing to liaise with the PSNI to identify further beneficiaries for the Scheme (this is a targeted Scheme, aimed at high-risk individuals referred by the PSNI). Over 90 referrals have now been made to this Scheme and a number of arrests have been made at the homes of victims after alarms were triggered due to perpetrators arriving at the premises. A total 231 calls trigger calls have been made by Alarm beneficiaries since the Scheme became operational.</p>
	To develop a range of crime prevention interventions (including rural crime)	<p>A number of Crime Prevention events have taken place across the District in partnership with NPTs and the PSNI Crime Prevention Officer. These have included events in Newry, Ballyholland and Newcastle.</p> <p>A trailer marking event has been planned for 29 September at Downpatrick Mart (times tbc).</p>
	To promote and develop the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme	<p>Following the recent reaccreditation process there are now 60 active and fully accredited NHW Schemes across the District.</p>

Strategic Priority 3: To improve Confidence in Policing through collaborative problem solving with communities.		
Theme	Aims & description	Key Activities in this Period (July – September 2024)
Improve community confidence in policing	Advocate for policing and effectively monitor local police performance and progress of the local Policing Plan	We are aware of current challenges facing the PSNI (including budget / workforce) and the local impact on availability of NPT Officers to support some events etc.
	Support the engagement of the local community with the PSNI	Community/police engagement is progressing well via planned events and other activities (as outlined above). The PSNI/PCSP Mobile Unit remains very popular, and plans are in place to ensure that it continues to be widely deployed across the District. We have recently resourced the cost of some upgrades to the Unit's software and game consoles and are confident that this will extend the use of the vehicle even further.

Appendix 1

Summary of Community Safety Wardens Reports: 13th July 2024 – 7th September 2024

	No. Incidents attended	No. Incidents reported to PSNI	Total Hours Patrolled
Downpatrick	11	0	112
Newcastle	25	0	112
Newry	21	0	112
Warrenpoint	22	0	112
Total	79	0	448

Notes:

This reporting period covers the remainder of the school summer holiday period and August Bank Holiday Weekend.

Examples of Incidents Attended by Wardens:

Downpatrick 27.07.2024 – Wardens patrolling the Dunleith area come across a group of teenagers fighting. Wardens approach the group and break up the fight, before sending the teenagers off in different directions.

Newcastle 09.08.2024 – Wardens walking through Island Park come across a large group of teenagers drinking alcohol. Wardens approach the group and ensure they dispose of their alcohol and move on from the area.

Newcastle 10.08.2024 – Wardens patrolling Donard Car Park hear cars revving their engines and playing loud music. Wardens approach the drivers and ensure they turn the music down and stop revving their cars unnecessarily.

Newry 26.07.2024 – Wardens walking past the bars on Water Street see a few people who appear to be intoxicated. Wardens stay close by and ensure they are able to get a lift home safely.

Newry 03.08.2024 – Wardens patrolling near Derrymore House, and the surrounding areas see young children playing close to the road. Wardens approach the children and explain the dangers of playing so close to the traffic, before ensuring the move to a safe area to play.

Warrenpoint 03.08.2024 – Wardens hear a car parked along the Front Shore playing loud music. Wardens approach the car and ask the driver to turn the music down in respect for those living nearby.

Warrenpoint 06.09.2024 – Wardens passing through Clonallen Park see a group of teenagers drinking alcohol. Wardens approach the group and ask them to dispose of their alcohol and move on from the area, which they did.

Appendix 2:**Table Showing Data collected from SIDs 19th July 2024 – 11th September 2024**

Location of SID	85% of vehicles were travelling at this speed (MPH)	% Speed violations over 30mph (*40mph)	% Speed violations over 35mph (*45mph)	No. speed violations over 70mph	Average % reduction in speed caused by SID	Time of highest number of Speeding Offences (>30MPH*)
Annalong	36	57.7	16.9	0	4.51	06:00 AM
Ardglass	36	40.9	15.2	7	5.66	07:00 AM
Ballynahinch	32	23.3	5.0	1	6.92	05:00 AM
Burren	41	75.3	44.2	31	No Reduction	09:00 AM
Camlough	45	79.1	53.15	450	14.45	07:00 AM
Castlewellan	-	-	-	-	-	-
Clough	35	42.6	13.8	2	4.66	05:00 AM
Crossmaglen	41	67.3	40.3	4	3.93	07:00 AM
Culloville*	43	24.8	6.7	0	3.05	06:00 AM
Darragh Cross*	41	17.6	4.7	5	4.44	07:00 AM
Downpatrick*	41	16.4	4.2	44	6.66	06:00 AM
Dundrum	37	50.2	20.2	31	4.51	08:00 AM
Kilcoo	42	73.4	41.9	14	4.28	05:00 AM
Killeavy*	37	4.7	0.8	0	6.12	06:00 AM
Kilkeel	35	41.6	12.2	27	No Reduction	05:00 AM
Killough	34	36.5	6.5	0	4.48	6:00 PM
Killyleagh	38	62.8	27.9	4	5.0	07:00 AM
Leitrim	33	34.0	6.5	0	17.14	7:00 PM
Mayobridge	38	65.3	26.6	0	3.03	05:00 AM
Meigh	40	59.3	32.3	18	13.63	06:00 AM
Newcastle	32	20.9	7.0	0	5.38	04:00 AM

Newry (Camlough Road)	36	46.1	15.2	25	3.22	12:00 PM
Newry (Chancellors Road)*	39	10.3	2.5	2	No Reduction	10:00 PM
Newtownhamilton	41	67.3	36.6	16	5.0	12:00 PM
Rostrevor	42	61.3	35.6	53	14.54	08:00 AM
Saintfield	37	42.8	19.9	11	7.33	06:00 AM
Strangford	37	59.4	23.5	186	4.51	10:00 AM
Warrenpoint	36	54.4	18.7	5	2.25	12:00 PM

Notes:

Downpatrick, Newry (Chancellors Road), Darragh Cross, Killeavy and Culloville SID are placed in a 40mph zone and therefore the table has been amended to reflect speed trends for these areas by an Asterix.

Kilcoo SID is now placed in a 30MPH speed limit, therefore the table has been amended to reflect this.

The SID in Castlewellan has now been reinstalled, but the data is currently unavailable to download. PWS Signs are working on this issue and expect to have this rectified by the end of September 2024.

Key trends from data

- The overall average percentile reduction in speed caused by SIDs was 5.53%
- On average 19.22% of vehicles going past the SIDs were traveling over 35mph (*45mph).
- The SID which caused the highest reduction in speed was Leitrim SID with an average of 17.14% reduction in speed caused by the SID.

Report to:	Policing & Community Safety Partnership
Date of Meeting:	24 September 2024
Subject:	ASB Sub Group Reports
Reporting Officer (Including Job Title):	Shannon Creaney, Safer Communities and Good Relations Manager (Acting)
Contact Officer (Including Job Title):	Shannon Creaney, Safer Communities and Good Relations Manager (Acting)

Confirm how this Report should be treated by placing an x in either:-

For decision	<input type="checkbox"/>	x	For noting only	<input type="checkbox"/>
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1.0	Purpose and Background
1.1	Purpose To consider and agree the Draft Action Sheet of the ASB Sub Group 2 meeting held on the 20 th of August 2024 and the ASB Sub Group 1 meeting held on 3 rd September 2024.
1.2	Background The attached Draft Action Sheet provides Members with an update on the work of the ASB Sub Groups since the last PCSP Committee meeting on 30 July 2024.
2.0	Key issues
2.1	None.
3.0	Recommendations
3.1	That the Committee- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Note the report. • Agree the attached Draft Action Sheet of the ASB Sub Group 2 meeting held on 20th August 2024. • Agree the attached Draft Action Sheet of the ASB Sub Group 1 meeting held on 3rd September 2024.
4.0	Resource implications
4.1	Revenue All actions are budgeted for in the PCSP 2024/25 Action Plan Capital N/A
5.0	Due regard to equality of opportunity and regard to good relations (complete the relevant sections)
5.1	<i>General proposal with no clearly defined impact upon, or connection to, specific equality and good relations outcomes</i> It is not anticipated the proposal will have an adverse impact upon equality of opportunity or good relations <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
5.2	<i>Proposal relates to the introduction of a strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or sensitive or contentious decision</i>

	<p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If yes, please complete the following:</p> <p>The policy (strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or decision) has been equality screened <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>The policy (strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or decision) will be subject to equality screening prior to implementation <input type="checkbox"/></p>
5.3	<p>Proposal initiating consultation</p> <p>Consultation will seek the views of those directly affected by the proposal, address barriers for particular Section 75 equality categories to participate and allow adequate time for groups to consult amongst themselves <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Consultation period will be 12 weeks <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Consultation period will be less than 12 weeks (rationale to be provided) <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><i>Rationale:</i></p>
6.0	Due regard to Rural Needs (please tick all that apply)
6.1	<p>Proposal relates to developing, adopting, implementing or revising a policy / strategy / plan / designing and/or delivering a public service</p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If yes, please complete the following:</p> <p>Rural Needs Impact Assessment completed <input type="checkbox"/></p>
7.0	Appendices
7.1	<p>Appendix I: Draft Action Sheet of ASB Sub Group 2 meeting held on 20 August 2024.</p> <p>Appendix II: Draft Action Sheet of ASB Sub Group 1 meeting held on 3 September 2024.</p>
8.0	Background Documents
8.1	None.

Newry, Mourne and Down Policing & Community Safety Partnership (PCSP)

Action Sheet of PCSP ASB Sub Group 2 Meeting held on Tuesday 20th August 2024 at 7PM in The Newcastle Centre, Newcastle

Present:

Chairperson:

Newly Elected - Cllr Jill Truesdale

Elected Members:

Cllr Conor Galbraith, Cllr Oonagh Hanlon

Independent Members:

Niall Lawlor

Statutory Partners:

Sgt Kenneth Gracey (PSNI), Sgt Suzanne Cochrane (PSNI), Maureen O’Gorman (EA), Bernadette McDowell (YJA), Martin Healy (NIFRS)

Council Officials:

Jacqueline Urey (NMDDC)

Apologies:

Insp Darren Hardy (PSNI), Martin Healy (NIFRS), Tara Campbell (Independent), William Slater (Independent)

ITEM	SUBJECT	SUMMARY	FOR COMPLETION – including actions taken/date completed or progress to date if not yet completed.
ASB/001	Welcome and Apologies	All were welcomed to the meeting and apologies were recorded as above.	

ASB/002	Appointment of New Chair	Cllr Jill Truesdale was proposed as new Chair by Cllr Galbraith and seconded by Cllr O'Hanlon.	
ASB/003	Adoption of previous Action Sheet	Action Sheet agreed. Proposed by Cllr Galbraith and seconded by Cllr Truesdale	
ASB/004	Update of Outstanding Actions from last meeting	<u>Updates</u> Knife bins: Location: (1) Ballymote in Downpatrick has been identified and installed in due course. (2) Island Car Park, Newcastle currently being considered by PSNI.	Insp Hardy to provide knife crime stats.
ASB/005	Current / Emerging Issues	Donard Car Park, Newcastle - camping and ongoing ASB. Students currently staying at YMCA Newcastle have concerns over recent UK wide unrest.	J Urey / PCSP to organise closed NMDDC meeting. Sgt Gracey to speak to YMCA Leader to offer reassurances.
ASB/006	Identification of priority areas for ASB Subgroup Plan	Members agreed on 5 identified key areas: (1) Ballynahinch; (2) Castlewellan; (3) Downpatrick; (4) Kilkeel; (5) Newcastle Members agreed to remain flexible in their response to challenges and emerging issues within the Sub-Group area.	

ASB/007	Development of ASB Subgroup Plan 2024/2025	PCSP provided overview of funded projects within identified areas.	J Urey / PCSP to populate plan and email to members (completed 21/08/2024)
ASB/008	Updates from Agencies	Update received from PSNI Update received from PCSP Update received from EA Update received from YJA	
ASB/009	Date of Next Meeting	Tuesday 8 th October 2024 at 7pm	J Urey / PCSP to send invites & papers to members in due course

Meeting concluded at 7:42pm

Newry, Mourne and Down Policing & Community Safety Partnership (PCSP)

Action Sheet of PCSP ASB Sub Group 1 Meeting held on Tuesday 3rd September 2024 at 6PM in Ballybot House, Newry

Present:

- Chairperson:** Cllr Aidan Mathers
- Elected Members:** Cllr Aidan Mathers, Cllr David Taylor
- Independent Members:** Michelle Osborne, Anne Sheridan, Colleen McCreesh
- Statutory Partners:** Maureen O’Gorman (EA), John Smyth (NIFRS), Joesphine Morgan (NIHE), Hannah Cooke (YJA)
- Council Officials:** Shannon Creaney, Kerri Morrow
- Apologies:** **None.**

ITEM	SUBJECT	SUMMARY	FOR COMPLETION – including actions taken/date completed or progress to date if not yet completed.
ASB/001	Welcome, Introductions and Apologies	<p>All were welcomed to the meeting by ASB Sub Group 1 Chair.</p> <p>As this was the first meeting of the reconstituted Sub Group there were a round of introductions for members.</p> <p>It was noted that there were no PSNI in attendance.</p>	<p>The group agreed that the lack of PSNI attendance should be raised at the next PCSP meeting, and that both PSNI Inspectors and the District Commander should be informed. S Creaney and Cllr Mathers to bring this forward.</p>

ASB/002	Appointment of PCSP Sub Group Area 1 Chair	Cllr Mathers to Remain as PCSP ASB Sub Group 1 Chair.	Proposed by Michelle Osborne and Seconded by Anne Sheridan.
ASB/003	Identification of Priority Areas for ASB Sub Group 1 Action Plan	The Group decided to look at 1 area per DEA as per the last ASB Sub Group 1 Diversionary Action Plan.	<p>Cllr Mathers proposed that Newry City remain as the focus for Newry DEA. This was agreed by the Sub Group Members.</p> <p>The ASB Sub Group decided to wait until the next ASB Sub Group 1 Meeting to decide on a priority area for Crotlieve and Slieve Gullion DEA. This was due to lack of PSNI representation.</p> <p>Cllr Taylor proposed that other Councillors may be able to give a different perspective on areas within their DEA which have high levels of ASB. S Creaney to speak to Councillors at the next DEA meetings to get feedback on this and bring to the next Sub Group meeting.</p>
ASB/004	Update from Agencies	No update received from PSNI. Update received from PCSP.	Update from PCSP. S Creaney to share list of successful PCSP

		<p>Update received from EA. Update received from YJA. Update received from NIHE Update received from NIFRS.</p>	<p>Financial Assistance groups in Newry & Mourne area with group via email.</p> <p>Update from NIHE. Issues discussed around Raymond Kelly Park and Drumgullion areas in Newry. Cllr Mathers expressed a need for NIHE to act in relation to ongoing issues in Raymond Kelly Park Area. Independent Member Colleen McCreesh to liaise with Josephine Morgan (NIHE) to help provide a community perspective on this ongoing issue in the Raymond Kelly Park area.</p>
ASB/005	Current / Emerging Issues	ASB Sub Group 1 Chair Cllr Mathers felt this agenda item should not be discussed without PSNI present.	The ASB Sub Group 1 members agreed, therefore this item on the agenda was not discussed.
ASB/006	Date of Next Meeting	Thursday 24 th October	S Creaney to circulate the next meeting date, time and location with group.