



Havering

LONDON BOROUGH

Crime & Disorder Sub-Committee Updates 20 April 2017

Since the last meeting of the Board, the Sub-Committee had met on one occasion and the following are a summary of issues discussed:

1. Annual Prevent Report

Every borough must have 'Due regard to the need to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism'.

Havering is classified as a non-priority borough and therefore receives no Home Office funding. Officers have been successful in securing MOPAC funding to enable the Council to fulfil its obligations.

A recent OFSTED inspection stated 'In Havering coordination of services to combat radicalisation is effective and this work is well supported by the 'Prevent' officer, who works purposefully and in partnership with social care services to reduce risks to young people as well as to raise awareness'.

What next for Havering:

- Appointment of a Dedicated Prevent/Hate Crime Officer
- Greater Community Outreach
- Greater Tri Borough working
- Extend training through on-line training programme for greater reach
- Ensure new Dedicated Ward Officers briefed on Prevent

2. Reducing Reoffending Strategy

The London Borough of Havering is committed to supporting those who want to take a positive path in life, regardless of their previous history. In order to support them we have to be able to ensure that basic human needs are being met, which focus on food, shelter and finances. The Adult Offender Profile for Havering identified that key areas of need identified by assessments of offenders residing in Havering were accommodation, alcohol and drugs education, training and employment (ETE) and finances.

The following services and groups were in place in Havering in order to manage offenders:

- Community Rehabilitation Company
- National Probation Service
- Integrated Offender Management
- Multi-Agency Public Protection Arrangement;

- Drug Intervention Programme; and
- Serious Group Violence Panel.

The Panel work closely with Partners in these agencies and through these services to reduce reoffending.

3. Serious Group Violence Panel

Between April 2016 and March 2017 the Havering SGV Panel monitored 112 different nominals, of which 1 in 4 featured on the Police Trident Gangs matrix. During the year 164 cases came to notice where a risk had been identified and all these were discussed at panel where a resulting action was required.

The Havering Panel had held its last meeting in March and in April was replaced by a new tri-borough partnership meeting.

The new tri-borough partnership provided opportunities to work closely with our neighbour boroughs Barking & Dagenham and Redbridge and the resources offered by the East Area (EA) Gangs Unit.

4. Violence Against Women and Girls

The Violence Against Women and Girls Strategy 2014-17 had been produced by Community Safety and approved by the Havering Community Safety Partnership. Each year the Sub-Committee scrutinises and reviews how well the Council and its partners have delivered the strategy against the outcomes identified in the strategy.

A new strategy was currently being developed.

5. Youth Offending Strategy

The service looked after 100 young offenders, 80 male and 20 female. These offenders were guilty of 152 offences. Havering has always had a relatively high proportion of female offenders.

Between April 2015 and March 2016 a total of 166 young people were on the Youth Offending Service cohort, of these, 30 had committed a total of 67 re-offences between April 2016 and March 2017.

The Youth Offending Service had been historically weak in delivering restorative justice. To remedy this a Restorative Justice worker had been appointed on fixed term contract. If successful it was likely this position would be made permanent. This worker would also oversee reparation, Unpaid Workers and the Junior Attendance Centre.

Junior Attendance Centres were designed to deal with young people between the ages of 10 and 17 years who had offended. In April 2015 responsibility for running Junior Attendance Centres passed to Local Authorities. Both Barking

and Dagenham and Redbridge use Havering's Centre. This is open at weekends and provides a vital service. Havering's Centre is a registered AQA Centre, enabling accreditation of each of the young People's attendance. The Centre has a very good reputation.

6. Topic Groups

The Topic Group scrutinising how the Criminal Justice System deals with Offenders with Mental Health issues met earlier this month to receive a written report from a Trust in the South West which successfully delivers a Liaison and Diversion Service and received a presentation from the South Essex Partnership Trust. The next step one final meeting to draw together all their findings and present a report to Cabinet.

7. Police matters

The Sub-Committee raised a number of recent issues with the Borough Commander.

Officers had advised the Sub-Committee that they were discussing ways of tackling the issue of 'drifting' on the Ferry Lane estate to achieve a long term solution.

With regard to moped and scooter theft this was on the increase but the police had not been made aware of any specific issues in Upminster Road South.

Finally, the reports of a mini crime wave in Harold Hill had been exaggerated in the Romford recorder.

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