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## Working Together Meeting

**Date:** Tuesday 25 February 2020  
**Time:** 1300-1500  
**Venue:** Tees/Transporter Rooms, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Community Safety Hub

### Agenda

		Presented by
1.	Apologies For Absence	
2.	Declaration of conflict of interest/disclosable pecuniary interest	
3.	Notes of the previous meeting – 5 December 2019	
4.	Neighbourhood Policing Update and Discussion	ACC Graham
5.	Joint Funding Opportunities	All
6.	Any Other Business	



## **Working Together Meeting**

5 December 2019

1pm

Cleveland Room 1 – Cleveland Community Safety Hub

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### **Present**

Barry Copping – Police and Crime Commissioner  
Liz Byrne – Temporary Assistant Chief Executive, OPCC  
Elise Pout – Standards and Scrutiny Manager, OPCC  
Supt. Alison Jackson – Local Policing North, Cleveland Police  
Rachelle Kipling – Commissioners Officer for Victims, OPCC  
Lisa Oldroyd – Commissioners Officer for Crime, Offending and Justice, OPCC  
Sarah Wilson – Commissioners Officer for Consultation and Engagement, OPCC  
Denise Holian – E-Cins Project Manager, OPCC  
Jenni Salkeld – Everyone Matters Manager, OPCC  
Nicola Tranter – Corporate Services, Cleveland Police  
Marc Stephenson – Stockton Council  
Norma Stephenson – Stockton Council  
Nicholas Stone – Hartlepool Council  
Philip Hepburn – Hartlepool Council  
Jane Hill – Middlesbrough Council  
Erell Parks – Stockton Council  
Tanya Evans – Stockton Council  
Charlotte Rumins – Community Hub Advisor, OPCC (Minutes)

### **Apologies for absence**

Simon Smart – Teesside Violence Prevention Project Manager, OPCC  
Jay Hosie – Redcar and Cleveland Council  
Kay Dargue – South Tees Youth Offending Service

### **Declarations of Conflict of Interest/Disclosable Pecuniary Interest.**

1. None declared.

### **Notes of the Previous Meeting**

2. The notes of the following meeting were approved for publication.
  - i. 12 September 2019
3. The matters arising from the previous meeting were discussed and it was noted that Hartlepool Council are planning to review their Community Trigger procedure in the New Year. RK noted that Community Trigger is also being picked up through the Victim and Witness Group and the author of the ASB report has been invited to visit Hartlepool Council as part of their review. Feedback will be provided into the Victims and Witnesses group following the visit.

4. MS noted that at present the Stockton model for an integrated community safety team is unlikely to change at this stage. The council and police tend to co-locate within both council and police buildings but not under a formal integrated team arrangement. This will continue to be reviewed going forward.
5. NiS noted that technical support officers have joined the Hartlepool Community Safety Team. A tender has also gone out for an external provider for the CCTV control room. Press has recently gone out in relation to Hartlepool's approach to aggressive beggars, the response to this work stream overall has been positive.
6. JH noted that in Middlesbrough there will be another community safety restructure as additional funding has been made available from the indigenous growth fund. Street wardens, parking enforcement and environmental enforcement will be combined into one team. Street wardens are to be provided with additional training, starting from 9<sup>th</sup> December. The TS1 PSPO has now gone live. An updated structure is to be shared with the OPCC. Place based working is to be introduced in early 2020 in North Ormesby. Teesside University will be part-funding some officers from early 2020, the location of these officers is still to be confirmed but they will primarily operate in Central Middlesbrough.

### **Neighbourhood Policing Update**

7. LO noted that place based working has been discussed in terms of Cleveland Police's neighbourhood policing model. Discussions had taken place within the force organised crime group, consultation has taken place with members of the public and partners were asked for their views within the meeting of what they would like to see from the neighbourhood policing model going forward.
8. JH noted that there was some frustration from Middlesbrough Council staff as they are submitting significant amounts of intelligence in respect of known organised crime group locations within residential areas which hadn't been acted upon.
9. SW noted that focus groups have been held internally with members of staff and the force will now be looking to formally engage with local authorities and partners to receive their views. MS noted that Stockton Council have received correspondence in relation to the model and are beginning to consider their response. Attendees felt that it would be useful for the consultation to be conducted as an open forum discussion to allow views to be expressed.
10. LB queried how the working together meeting should be utilised going forward. The PCC noted that it would be useful to use the group as a sounding board for the improvements the force are making. NS noted that council members' views should be sought too as the process will assist with expectation management. Once a final draft of the model is received the group should be asked to provide further feedback, a further meeting of the working together meeting is to be called for January 2020 to discuss the model further.
11. SW noted that the Chief Constable has devolved powers to wardens in Middlesbrough and Stockton, the same hasn't been done in Redcar and Hartlepool. It was confirmed that this would be an option that Redcar and Hartlepool are able to explore should they wish to do so. The Chief Executive of the Council would need to request this from the Chief Constable.
12. AJ attended the meeting to provide an update on neighbourhood policing and it was noted that in Cleveland it is currently PCSO led with a few officers in wards focusing on targeting OCGs. Dave Sutherland is currently looking a multi-agency team to focus on issues in Middlesbrough. Chief

Inspectors from Middlesbrough and Hartlepool are linking in with partners and local authorities to gather their views on the refreshed model.

13. The neighbourhood policing approach will focus on engaging with communities, targeted activities and problem solving. The consultation events will feed into the model and demand modelling work will also be progressed to feed into the finalised approach. Opportunities for place based working will also be considered, as it has been in Hartlepool, should local authorities wish to progress this. The force are currently aiming to implement the new model by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020.
14. LB noted that the service the force can and can't provide in respect of neighbourhood policing should be outlined clearly to inform local authorities within the January session and to manage expectations effectively. MS noted that the needs would differ amongst local authorities, members and wards within local authority areas based on their varying risks and priorities but that neighbourhood policing, and consistency of neighbourhood policing models, is vital within communities.
15. NoS noted that intelligence gathering should be considered as a priority area for improvement under the new neighbourhood policing model, additional ways to report intelligence through neighbourhood officers should be available as residents are less likely to provide intelligence within community meetings.
16. NiS queried whether the drugs unit could be looked at again and whether consideration could be made into having localised officers. AJ noted that the 8 officers in Cleveland are not enough for the scale of the problem, a centralised team which can be used as a task force for specific issues is currently the preferred approach as opposed to individual units in each of the local authority areas. Resourcing to each of the areas will be configured based on the 'red, amber and green' area scale, subject to consultation.

#### **Funding Issues from April 2020 Including Early Intervention Fund, VAWG and Female Perpetrator Funding**

#### **Opportunities for Funding; Safer Streets, Youth Endowment and Other Cross Government Agency Opportunities to be confirmed from Partners**

17. RK noted that the VAWG Transformation Fund funding is due to come to an end in March 2020. The bid aimed to make the services more consistent across the Cleveland area, this has been achieved and has been evaluated. Sustainability for the work is now being considered, some of the funding had been used to up-skill some of the ISVA services to increase knowledge and awareness of referrals to other services, the services have a train the trainer within the service which will assist with sustainability.
18. BME, young person and sex worker champions have been introduced within ISVA services to identify the specialist needs of each of the individuals and share the learning with other members of the ISVA team. Work has been done to increase awareness of the SARC, GP practices and the health service have been engaged with. The Home Office have announced an additional £5million for sexual violence, £4million of the funding will go to rape support services and £1million of the funding will be available for ISVA services. The million will be available for expressions of interest from PCCs offices.
19. LO noted that the OPCC had received Home Office funding for serious violence. Training for ACEs and County Lines has been introduced. Early intervention has been looked at and outreach services has been increased. Investment has gone into speech and language teams and an 18-24 year old specialist worker to recognise the transition between childhood and adulthood. Simon Smart is

currently developing a mentor scheme within schools, mentor training has been secured and the delivery model is being progressed. A serious violence conference has been arranged for February 2020 in Hartlepool.

20. RK noted that there is also an opportunity for crime prevention funding for acquisitive crime known as the Safer Streets Fund. This will be an OPCC led funding bid and an event is being held in January in relation to the funding opportunity which will be attended by Simon Smart and key partners.
21. LB noted that one of the key gaps identified in terms of funding is in relation to prevention and that it would be useful to have an understanding of each of the local authorities approaches to funding for prevention. MS noted that it would be useful to use the working together meeting in January as a forum to discuss all of the available funding opportunities and approaches to bids.

**Action** – Funding opportunities and approaches to be discussed within the January meeting.

#### **Update from the ECINs Steering Group Meeting**

22. DH noted that a steering group meeting was held in October, the benefits and risks with the system were discussed within the meeting and consideration was made into what can be improved going forward. Information and user governance can be improved going forward, some departments are signed up to the system but aren't necessarily using the system.
23. Work streams have been identified from within the group as follows; compliance, data cleansing, re-launch and reconnect and usage and training. The current ECINs contract runs to September 2020 and it was agreed that funding will continue to that point as it is good value for money and there are not a lot of extra costs associated to the system for new users.
24. NiS queried whether there would be future development into the reporting functions of ECINs. DH noted that it would be difficult as the system is a national database, not specific to Cleveland but that if there is a specific requirement NS would like to consider she would be happy to meet with him to look into potential solutions.

**Action** – DH and NiS to meet to discuss the reporting functions of ECINs.

#### **Single Online Home**

25. NT attended to provide an overview on the single online home system. Single online home is now fully live, the system was introduced under a rolling programme with additional functionality added piece by piece. The various aspects of the websites functionality was demonstrated to attendees. The benefits of the system will be monitored over the coming months on both a local and national basis.
26. NoS queried the security of the system and whether it is subject to FOIs. NT noted that the system is behind the same firewalls as the previous Cleveland Police site and is fully secure. Information submitted as intelligence through the system is not FOI-able by others. Previously answered FOIs are available on the site however and FOIs can also be made through the system.
27. SW queried how embedded the system needs to be before any public communication goes out. NT noted that the rationale for not publicising has been given from the national team, once the system is fully under the care of the force as opposed to the national team public communications will be progressed.

28. NT noted that reporting will be conducted on a monthly basis under the benefits tracker based on the number of calls that have come into control room both before the implementation and after.
29. NiS queried whether the website contained information in relation to community trigger and noted that this should be updated on the Cleveland Police and OPCC website to ensure the links to each of the local authority area sites are available. NT noted that changes can be put forward and requested but the site is currently based on a national system.

#### **Any Other Business**

30. LB provided an update in relation to Everyone Matters, the OPCC are working in partnership with the force to develop activity in respect of equality, diversity and inclusion. There are currently two new members of staff in post and the team will consist of five employees when fully in post. Once the team is in place, they will be working towards the NPCC toolkit for equality diversity and inclusion.
31. MS introduced Erell Parks to attendees, it was noted that he is new in post as project officer and will be meeting with individuals in due course.

#### **Date of Next Meeting**

32. The next meeting of the Working Together Group has been arranged for 5<sup>th</sup> March 2020. An additional session is to be arranged for January 2020 to discuss funding opportunities and the neighbourhood policing model.