LOCAL MULTI-AGENCY PROBLEM SOLVING GROUPS (LMAPS) SUNDERLAND NORTH

Fulwell; St Peters; Southwick and Castle

Dates of Meetings - (Since last Area Committee):

Tuesday 5th August 2008. 2.00pm to 4.00pm Venue: Gentoo Office, Bunny Hill Centre

Tuesday 9th September 2008. 2.00pm to 4.00pm Venue: Gentoo Office, Bunny Hill Centre

1. Property Crime (Including Burglary and Car Crime)

1.1 No issues reported to LMAPS for this reporting period.

2. Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) (Including alcohol related crime and disorder and criminal damage)

2.1 ASB activity in the Castletown area involving youth disorder and underage drinking. The issue was previously closed in June 2007 and re-opened in July 2007.

Latest action – It was reported to the August meeting that enquiries are ongoing into the sale and possession of alcohol by young people.

It was reported to the September meeting that although calls reporting disorder had reduced significantly, Police and Trading Standards Officers are continuing to make enquiries. Partners agreed to close this item.

2.2 ASB activity in the vicinity of the Skate Board Park at the rear of Seafields Estate near to Morrison's car park. This was first reported to LMAPS partners in November 2007.

Latest action – It was reported to the August meeting that complaints had ceased and it was agreed to monitor for one more period.

It was reported to the September meeting there had been no calls received so all partners agreed to close from LMAPS

2.3 ASB disorder in the Bunny Hill area involving youths from neighbouring estates was first reported to LMAPS in December 2007.

Latest Action – It was reported to the August meeting that Gentoo staff had visited the parents of youths involved in the disorder and 'Anti Social Behaviour Agreements' (ABA's) had been signed.

It was reported to the September meeting that the area had been identified as a 'hotspot' by the Police with extra attention to be given. An update is to be provided at the next meeting.

2.4 ASB activity in the Roker area involving youth disorder and underage drinking was first reported in February 2008.

Latest action – It was reported to the August meeting that Trading Standards officers had carried out test purchases at 3 Off-licences with further enquiries to be made.

It was reported to the September meeting that enquiries were still ongoing in respect of local off-licence premises and an update will be provided at next meeting.

2.5 ASB activity in Roker Park involving groups of youths was first reported to LMAPS in March 2008.

Latest action – It was reported to the August meeting that no further reports had been received and after a similar report at the September meeting partners agreed to close the item.

2.6 The rear of Southwick Road and Keir Hardie Way. Youths were using debris from a collapsed wall as missiles to target passing vehicles. The issue was previously closed in March 2008 but re-opened in May 2008 due to an increase in incidents.

Latest Action – It was reported to the August meeting that police had increased patrols in the area and the contractor was to clear the area. Due to a fall in reported incidents partners agreed to close the item.

2.7 A petition was presented to the City Council in relation to ASB in the Keats Avenue area and was first reported to LMAPS in August 2008.

Latest Action – Partners were advised that following the presentation of a petition to the City Council, LMAPS partners had co-operated in various enquiries and interventions leading to the signing of 'Acceptable Behaviour Agreements' (ABA's) by the perpetrators and no further complaints had been received.

It was reported to the September meeting that enquiries were approaching completion and the findings would be reported to the City Council in due course.

Due to partnership interventions being complete, it was agreed to close the item.

3. Hate Crime

3.1 Police in Southwick are continuing to monitor a premise subject to hate crime. It was reported to the August and September meetings that no incidents had occurred so partners agreed to close the item.

3.2 Police in Witherwack are continuing to monitor a premise subject to hate crime. It was reported to the August and September meetings that no incidents had occurred so partners agreed to close the item.

4. Domestic Violence

4.1 There were no issues reported to LMAPS for this reporting period.

5. Drugs Misuse

5.1 There were no issues reported to LMAPS for this reporting period.

6. Any Other Business

- 6.1 LMAPS Funding Partners discussed initiatives to tackle motor vehicle crime, the supply of alcohol to young people and under-age drinking All partners agreed to support the proposals.
- 6.2 Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Service (TWFRS) Due to no TWFRS representation at the meeting this item was deferred.
- 6.3 Nexus It was reported that Nexus were to produce posters for sea front bus shelters to address anti social behaviour issues.

The potential for another bus shelter to be provided in the Hylton Lane area was discussed and it was agreed that further discussions should be carried out with Nexus prior to a final decision being made.

6.4 Youth provision

A representative from the Youth Development Group advised partners that additional activities were being considered in the area and local young people will be consulted as to the facilities they require. A youth project leader will attend future LMAPS meetings.

6.5 Bonfire Night Preparations

Partners were advised that multi arrangements were being made to address the partnership approach to Bonfire Night with all the relevant Partners.

An update will be provided at the next LMAPS.

7. Future Meetings

- 7.1 Date and time of next Meeting
 - Tuesday 14th October 2008. 2.00am to 4.00pm Gentoo Office, Bunny Hill Centre
- 7.2 Subsequent meeting
 - Tuesday 18th November 2008. 10.00am to 12.00pm Gentoo Office, Cornhill Centre

8. Supporting Information

8.1 Note that the previously provided statistical analysis is currently being re-designed.