

MINUTE of MEETING of the COMMUNITY SAFETY BOARD held within COUNCIL CHAMBERS, WEST LOTHIAN CIVIC CENTRE, HOWDEN SOUTH ROAD, LIVINGSTON, on 18 JUNE 2019.

Present – Councillors Lawrence Fitzpatrick (Chair), Kirsteen Sullivan, David Dodds, Charles Kennedy, Graham Hope, Chief Executive, Graeme Struthers Depute Chief Executive, Ann Marie Carr, Head of Housing, Customer and Building Services, Inspector Alun Williams, Police Scotland, Stuart Watson, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made.

2. ORDER OF BUSINESS

The Chair agreed to the following additional item of business being tabled and considered:-

- West Drive 2019 – Report by Chief Inspector Alun Williams, Police Scotland

3. QUARTERLY PERFORMANCE REPORT 2018-2019

The Board considered a report (copies of which had been circulated) by the West Lothian Community Safety Partnership, providing a range of statistics across a number of indicators that supported the Community Safety Plan.

The report recalled that on 25 March 2019 the Community Planning Partnership approved the 2019/22 Community Safety Plan. The purpose of the plan was to outline the priorities for Community Safety in West Lothian for 2019/22. The five priorities were as follows:

- Community Wellbeing
- Antisocial behaviour
- Violence
- Serious Organised Crime
- Counter Terrorism

The report advised that the Community Safety Board oversees the Community Safety Partnership activities and performance. The suite of indicators were held on the council's Performance System (Pentana) and updated by the relevant community planning partners. Pentana, measured the performance of service activities through the use of key

performance indicators (KPI's). Pentana used a simple traffic light system to show if progress was on target (green), in danger of falling behind target (amber) or below target (red).

Currently there were 40 Key Performance Indicators to monitor progress for the life span of the plan. A table within the report provided a summary of the indicators across each of the five priorities. Full details of performance were set out in Appendix 1.

It was noted that the indicators showing red and amber should have been reported green, and a review of how the thresholds were set for these indicators would be undertaken. The report also provided an explanation of the "Data Only" group performance indicators.

It was also noted that there was no indicator set in respect of People Trafficking. The Chief Executive advised that People Trafficking sat within Priority 4, Serious Organised Crime and therefore suggested that an indicator could be promoted into that data set.

The report recommended that the Community Safety Board note the quarter 4 performance 2018/19.

#### Decision

To note the contents of the report.

#### 4. WEST DRIVE - REPORT BY POLICE SCOTLAND

The Board considered a report (copies of which had been tabled) by Chief Inspector Alun Williams, which provided an update regarding the planning arrangements for West Drive 2019.

The Board was advised that West Drive was a road safety initiative aimed at educating young road users and reducing road casualties. The target audience was 6<sup>th</sup> year pupils who attended each of the 11 West Lothian High Schools and Academies.

In 2018 the West Drive Event was held at Inveralmond Community High School. Each session was separated into two parts. Scottish Fire and Rescue Services provided access to Fire Engines, rescue equipment and a crash damaged vehicle. British Transport Police attended with their Safety Camera Unit to highlight the dangers of level crossings.

It was noted that it was the intention to reduce the overall number of agencies involved in the next West Drive event and restrict involvement to emergency services only with a "Blue Light" theme.

There would be a presentation consisting of real footage from a Go-Pro strapped to the roof of a car. The footage was captured from a vehicle that was part of a young driver convoy which was involved in a fatal accident. The footage does not show the accident happen. It was hoped that young drivers would take away valuable learning points which may in future save their lives or the lives of others.

The second half of the session will involve participants breaking into smaller groups and attending a number of different stations inside and outside the venue. At each station there will be an emergency service representative who will provide a perspective based input for young drivers, with the opportunity for two-way dialogue.

In conclusion the report advised that the Community Safety Unit remained committed to supporting West Drive and meeting the needs of young drivers in West Lothian. The event would play a key part within the Community Safety Strategy Plan 2018-2021 and ensure that all partners work together to make West Lothian road safer for communities.

The report recommended that the Community Safety Board note the content of the report and endorse the proposal for West Drive 2019.

### Decision

To note the content of the report and agree to encourage schools to take up their full allocation of places at the West Drive event.