



**DORSET STRATEGIC ROAD SAFETY PARTNERSHIP
COMMITTEE MEETING
10.00 FRIDAY 19 OCTOBER 2012
CONFERENCE ROOM
DORSET POLICE HEADQUARTERS**

Present

Assistant Chief Constable Vaughan (JV)	Dorset Police (Chair)
Mr P Garrett (PG)	Head of SEES, Dorset Police
Mr N Butterworth (NB)	Head of Finance, Dorset Police
Cllr P Finney (PF)	Dorset County Council
Mr M Piles (MP)	Dorset County Council
Mr M Winter (MW)	Dorset County Council
Cllr G Brierley (GB)	Dorset Police Authority, DFRS
Cllr C Rochester (CR)	Bournemouth Borough Council
Mr J Satchwell (JSat)	Bournemouth Borough Council
Cllr R Parker (RP)	Borough of Poole Council
Mr M Baker (MB)	Borough of Poole Council
Mr B Ansell (BA)	ACFO Dorset Fire and Rescue Service
Mr C Baker (CB)	Dorset Fire and Rescue Service
Mr C Ricketts (CR)	Dorset PCT-NHS
Miss J Churchill (JC)	Support Secretary

1. Introductions and Welcome

JV welcomed all to the meeting and introductions were made around the table.

2. Apologies

Chief Superintendent C Searle (CS)	Operational Support Command, Dorset Police
Cllr M Filer (MF)	Bournemouth Borough Council
C Giles (CG)	HMCTS
L Turner (LT)	Crown Prosecution Service
M Downing (MD)	Highways Agency

PG raised that the CPS representative has confirmed that he will not be able to attend unless it was specifically at the request of the Partnership.

Action 1: JV to write to Nick Hawkins to confirm attendance of a CPS representative at the DSRSP meetings. JV to also confirm HMCTS representation now that there has been some relocation to Southend.

3. Minutes of DSRSP Meeting 13 June 2012

(Matters arising and outstanding actions)

JV confirmed with members present that there were no correctional changes required and therefore the minutes of 13 June 2012 were accepted.

PG confirmed that a summary of the actions had been circulated with the papers prior to this meeting.

Members proceeded to go through the actions discussing the Open actions as follows:-

Action 4 - 08/11/11 - PG to explore LEP funding for any available assistance to the Partnership.

Action Ongoing - PG confirmed that he had been in touch with Mr D Walsh and it was confirmed that there were no available funds at present.

CR reported that he had been at a meeting last week which confirms that the LEP do not actually hold any monies as a body, what they can do is try and influence monies where possible through the private sector.

It was also confirmed that the monies would be loans and not grants.

Action 2: JV to write to Mr D Walsh to try and establish any funding via LEP for the Partnership.

Action 3: PF to speak with A Campbell of DCC to also try and establish any funding via LEP for the Partnership.

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Action 13 - 21/02/12 - PG to set up a sub group to look at alternative funding options to assist in future funding of the Partnership.

Action Closed - PG confirmed that it was for Partners to fully discuss, however he had made initial enquiries with each and confirmed that DCC were unable to change, Poole may have a potential option and Bournemouth were content with how things were.

NB also confirmed that Dorset Police were content with the current funding arrangements.

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PG confirmed that the Driver Awareness Scheme is currently utilising a PhD Student from Warwick University to carry out detailed studies on the effectiveness of education and road safety.

Action 6: PG to set up a meeting between himself, CR and the Warwick University PHD Student with regard to evidence to assist in trying to gain funds for the Partnership via the NHS.

Action 7: CR to produce a presentation for members at the next DSRSP meeting to assist them in understanding NHS requirements to enable any funding to be made.

Action 6 - 13/06/12 - PG to write a report on the usage of YouTube, Facebook and Twitter on the Dorset Road Safe website for presentation to members at the next DSRSP meeting.

Action Complete - PG confirmed that the report had been circulated to members on 17 August 2012 and he now seeks approval.

Discussions confirmed that all 3 facilities were helpful tools in reaching the wider audience and all agreed for their usage through the Dorset Road Safe website.

4. Dorset Road Safe Update

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JSat confirmed that he has managed to secure an advertising deal with Heart FM for one year worth of adverts to assist in keeping the no excuse brand prominent. It is also hoped to tailor some of the adverts to address conurbation issues.

PG continued that Bournemouth University are being asked to assist with a Focus Group for Compulsory Bike Test (CBT) riders to try and determine what incentives would encourage them to take further education and training. Bus Back advertising effectiveness may also be gauged at that Focus Group.

Child Casualty Report - PG confirmed that there is currently a rise in the Child casualty figures, however at present this is not a sustained rise, but the figures need to be monitored. Dorset Road Safe and its members are looking at pushing the Dying to Drive and Safe Drive Stay Alive presentations to try and assist.

Discussions confirmed that it is recognised by the Partners that the figures need to be monitored as they are currently of concern. Education aspects need to be tailored to address any particular areas of concern that can be identified from detailed statistic analysis. Statistics have shown numbers to be low outside schools due to congestion. Out of area visitors, road layouts and the use of distractions such as mobile phones and headphones need review and addressing where appropriate, along with cycle safety initiatives.

Action 8: PG to speak with LV-Streetwise to determine if they can include child pedestrian distractions, such as mobile phones and headphones, into their education scenarios.

5. Dorset Road Safe Finance Update

NB circulated a copy of the budget monitoring statement for members review.

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All agreed to carry forward the under spend monies to the next Financial Year.

6. Operational Case 2013/2016

Initially PG asked if all members wished to continue with the Partnership to which all agreed they did.

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PG asked the Partners if they are able to indicate their funding contributions for next year and also if they are able to give outline commitment up to 2016 which will assist in future planning for equipment renewal and software renewal and changes.

Discussions confirmed that members would find it difficult to give a commitment to a 3 year plan up to 2016. They are also unable at this time to confirm their contributions for the 2013/2014 year as budgets have not been confirmed. DCC indicated that their contribution would be less and Bournemouth and Poole also expect a reduction in contribution.

All members confirmed that they would continue to support as far as possible either through resources or funding.

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JV summarised that all were in a difficult position and this has a knock on effect to the continuance of the Partnership and at what level.

Action 9: All funding Partners to inform PG of their 2013/2014 Partnership contributions as soon as possible.

Action 10: JV and PG to consider contingencies regarding the future of the Partnership against funding available. Include contracts for equipment and software and also residual costs should it become unviable to run the Partnership.

7. no excuse

PG confirmed that the Focus Group Report had been circulated to members prior to the meeting for review. Current recognition of the no excuse brand stands at 89%.

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8. Chideock

PG gave a brief reminder of the Chideock Project and what it entailed. He is now seeking confirmation from the Partners that we can officially close it off. The legal process has been carried out and all fair and reasonable efforts have been made to contact persons. We will still deal with people should they arise, but the project as a whole is now complete.

All agreed to officially close the Chideock Project. Relevant information will be placed on the DRS website.

Action 12: PG to formally close off the Chideock Project.

9. Equipment

PG confirmed that a summary had been circulated prior to the meeting for members to review detailing equipment and replacement or upgrade requirements. In light of the current financial uncertainty, PG proposes to suspend any purchases at this time.

All agreed.

PG confirmed that the laser camera licence fee was for the life of the camera and that for any purchases of equipment was to come from contingency funds.

10. Any Other Business

DFRS Road Safety Centre - BA confirmed that the project was still progressing and was now awaiting grants and funding. The centre will compliment LV-Streetwise and other partner initiatives.

Prince Michael of Kent Award - PG confirmed that the no excuse project had won the award last December, but it needs to be confirmed on how the logo is used throughout the Partners and the Partnership.

All agreed that it should be promoted as far as possible, but only utilised by the Partners when in reference to Partnership and no excuse topics and initiatives.

A35 Miles Cross - GB expressed his concern regarding the infringement of the 50 mph speed limit in this area and danger to traffic crossing the junction. The main speeding offenders appear to be travelling from east to west and it would be appreciated if some enforcement could be done in the area.

Action 13: PG to review and instigate some speed enforcement in the area of Miles Cross on the A35.

Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy - CR confirmed that comments were welcome from the members in relation to the information sent via the link prior to the meeting.

11. Date of next meeting and location

Conference Room, Dorset Police Headquarters

7 March 2013 10.00 - 12.00

16 July 2013 14.00 - 16.00

13 November 2013 10.00 - 12.00