



Bristol City Council Mayor/PCC Meeting

Agenda

11th October 2021 – 17.00 – 18.00

Venue: Teams Meeting

Attendees

BCC: Mayor Marvin Rees (MR); Mike Jackson (MJ); Ben Mosely (BM); Cllr Ellie King (EK)

ASP: TCC Sarah Crew (SC); ACC Jon Reilly (JR); Supt Mark Runacres (MRu)

A&S OPCC: PCC Mark Shelford (MS); Sally Fox (SF)

Priorities overview & strategic update

- *Police and Crime Plan & BCC Corporate Strategy*

MS outlined his key priorities highlighting the strand of prevention being key to stopping the root cause of crime and ASB.

MR Outlined the BCC Corporate Strategy currently under consultation. Aim to inspire hope in the city focusing on equality, inclusion, sustainability and BCC being a world class employer. MR questioned how BCC become a development organisation and strengthen communities rather than a bolt together of services – was a focus of their strategic planning including increased innovation and getting communities to take ownership. Iterated the importance of aligned corporate strategies around themes = One City plan provides the space to offer that collaboration. Take action that benefits people today but also benefits people in 10-15 years' time. Aspiration to become a zero exclusion city – what would we need to do keep young people in school to reduce the cycle. Will work with Education to understand how this can be achieved.

1)

Have now set up a collection of relationship meetings to have the partners and levers to be there for the conversation – housing, city design etc - there is a platform to speak and influence trajectory.

- *Violence against Women*

MR looking at how this is reflected in schools and CCE etc all referenced. Importance of PHSE.

MJ Challenging credentials of officers – what feedback have you had?

MS Officers finding this challenging however this is about the police giving confidence to the public.

SC Direction given to ask officers to do all they can to build trust. Onus on us in light of recent events however if not able to ID there needs to be a process. Watershed moment that required us to write to key stakeholders and partners. VAWG Summit is around creating an intolerance to this in A&S and feedback is positive so far in seizing the opportunity to use to create change.



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Action - ASC to make sure a copy of this letter gets sent to BCC Ellie King - Complete

MR – Recognise that this is at the same time as the SEV consultation

SC – Noted – tested with a small selection, specifically around the universities and there was positive interest.

MR – Touch points – links in with [REDACTED] Night Time Economy Lead = Community Development Workers = arrange for SC to have some space. There is a police representative on the call would be helpful.

Action - ASC to link in with BCC Night Time Economy Lead re VAWG – In hand

11th Jan 2022 action update: the necessary introductions and contacts have been made re the Violence Against Women and Girls work, particularly linked to the night time economy where [REDACTED] is now in regular contact with Insp [REDACTED] re that work.

- *Serious violence and exploitation*

MR – Sense that during COVID that county lines has worsened.

JR – Serious violence has reduced. Preventative piece is key. Stopping exclusions is vital – got to be on the front foot of identifying those that are at risk. Grit funding suggests that a 15 min patrol directly impacts on reduction though this is a long road. VRU are principle vehicle for this. Most important space for us in making a difference.

MR will liaise with [REDACTED] re schools as to what they would need to make this work. Important to understand what they need. If the police were jointly asking for this in terms of exclusion this would add more weight. Community work key as reliant on third sector to assist in identifying those at risk.

JR sense that we would support this in terms of the no exclusions and supporting schools to achieve this.

Those teachable moments are key

Action - MR to link with [REDACTED] so MJ can link back with JR – In hand

JR – The Call In is being run and could potentially pick up those that are at significant risk for an intervention – could try and pick up through there but funding a concern.

- *Graffiti/tagging*

MRu provided a brief to MR as per previous meeting notes.

Will be exploring options to intercept serial offenders and also opportunities for CBO on the back of this.

Action – MRu to connect with [REDACTED] – climate economy waste and energy which will assist. Update 11th Jan: Complete and relevant rep linked to police lead for working together in this area. Update 20th Jan: [REDACTED] would like a further conversation on this with [REDACTED]

Also working with Bristol Waste to try and be innovative and collaborative about getting the city clean.

- *Afghan refugee*



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	<p>JR Highlighted issues around ‘queue jumping’ and hate crime MS Shock of arrival in the UK that needs to be considered – all very overwhelming especially when possibly one member of the family speaks English. BM Trying to tackle the issues; a lot of children that don’t speak English, trips around the city etc so they can mitigate shock impact by doing normal things. Organising separate conversations with females from males to assess any DA issues. Some have come with children that are not theirs – adoption issues. Leave to stay really hits as suddenly isolated. Funding from Comic Relief will assist.</p>
2)	<p>Covid-19 – current situation and concerns for Autumn/Winter 2021 MR UC cuts, hunger, fuel price increases, evictions - what’s the worst we can expect? Heat and food available where we require it. Also heat issues. What does it mean for own organisation in terms of resilience?</p>
3)	<p>Budget/Finance Updates MJ Starting to get a good sense of how COVID has impacted in the medium term. Additional expenditure in the current year circa £50m but where does that leave us with planning? Demand for social care enduring. Significant financial challenge. Govt feels that it has made some bold steps but actually does not assist with the current challenges. Will be a difficult budget round. Not only the financial implications but even without that there is not the workforce available. People can earn more from McDonalds than social care – million vacancies and approaching crisis point. MS Impact on budget from flat cash settlement whilst recognising a three year funding. SC Limitations as uplift in officer numbers but will potentially result in a fall in staff.</p>
4)	<p>Protest activity, raves and any other associated public order issues SC Continuing narrative re revenge policing. Grateful for the support from BCC during that. There has been a lot of coverage and recurring stories in the media. Never going to convince some people but a growing number of people who are being influenced by this narrative. Discussed with MS re bringing together some representatives to discuss impact and create a stakeholder event about how we will open up training/control room on how we manage this. Aimed to provide the wider public with a view of what we do. As the Bill is still going through there is a risk that hard line extremists may try and exploit this.</p> <p>MR Have spoken to people about the impact of protest - if you want to challenge the bill don’t give them the elements of the bill. In some cases this is not about the cause it’s about smashing the system. Always more risk involved where police have to come from outside forces as they do not have the cultural understanding of policing Bristol. Less control MS Goes to the heart of policing by consent. When COVID regulations changed, it allowed for protest organisers to engage with the police again and this really changed this. Yesterday everything went fine. MR Members of XR frustrated not being able to talk and plan the process. There was</p>



frustration = talk about the confrontation rather than the purpose.

AOB - MR

- British exploring society based out of Royal Geographical Society – President and do expeditions – [REDACTED] doing a lot of work to reach out to children. We can potentially create some teachable moments.
- Exmouth Camp – Jurassic camp – have an opportunity to send young people there. Massive challenge to bring it up to speed 1.5mil to get it back up and running. Let people know moving and shaking to bring it back to life.

- Next meeting 20th January 2022