

Attendee	Representing
Dave McCallum (DM) chair	A&S Police
Lesley Welch (LW)	Safer Bristol Partnership
Alexandra Geen (AG)	NHS
Leigh Forster (LF)	WISH
Emily Moreton (EM)	Safer Bristol Partnership
Carol Metters (CM)	Next Link, BDAF
Veronica Shorttle (VS)	Safer Bristol Partnership
Sarah Windfeld (SW)	UHB
Apologies received	Representing
Ruth Dawes (RD)	NHS
Pete Anderson (PA)	Safer Bristol Partnership
Marilyn Harrison (MH)	Probation
Bev Gordon (BG)	Victim Support
Angela Clarke (AC)	CYPS, Safeguarding
Jon Peyton (JP)	Avon & Wiltshire Mental Health Partnership NHS Trust

1. Introductions and apologies – *Chair*

Apologies were given and introductions were made.

2/3 Review of previous minutes and matters arising – *Chair*

The minutes of the previous meeting on the 14th July 2010 were agreed after amendment to item 4 'BDAF has been *advised* that sub-groups will only report red traffic light items'.

1. Restraining orders, LW no report. DM any crime could be awarded a restraining order and it is important to maximise this legislation although there are concerns that it is not being used. CPS/ Court Service are aware of situation. LF What happens if an order is breached? Does the perpetrator get pursued?

Action 1 LW/DM take to P& J meeting, need statistics re breaches of restraining orders so a plan of action can be formulated.

2. Terms of reference c/f to next mtg.

Action 2 EM to send out before next meeting ready for approval at DVA Strategy mtg.

3. Agenda item.
4. Completed.
5. LW waiting for Fiona Tudge, Safeguarding Business Unit Manager, to take up post to discuss performance indicators and CYPS representation on sub-group. LW C&YP Commissioning Policy Officer post is stuck in HR although PA has completed all the forms HR requested. LW suggested a comment should be made from this group at the delay of 2yrs of trying to get this vacancy filled.

Action 3 DM/PA to write letter re: above but needs details from PA of what has been done so far.

6. No report. National Indicators were gone through last meeting, match actions against NI's c/f

Action 4 LW bring to next meeting.

7. Completed. Agenda item 6.

8. Completed.

4. Reports from sub-groups / Action Plans

Provision of Services

No report.

Prevention Group

The report was tabled and presented by AG.



"Prevention Group
Annual Report 2009.c

DM asked whether there is any data available to indicate that attitudes of young people towards Violence Against Women and Children of acceptability/tolerance had changed.

November Campaign was discussed with the launch at the Council House on Monday 22nd November with speakers including Annie Hudson. Thursday 25th November there is a candlelit vigil starting at Next Link's offices in Queens Square to College Green.

February Campaign will look at 2 aspects: - Safer Bristol will be concentration on LBGT DVA; NHS Bristol will be looking at accessible communications DVA and learning difficulties.

Care pathways have gone to Provision Sub-group.

Protection and Justice

DM Headline is management of double listing of DV cases and if both turn up then one gets bounced, David Speed, Court Service, this is still an issue. Area highlighted also around management of victims if perpetrators are given short sentences. Stopping Violence Programme run by Splitz has started in Bristol; it is run on a first-come first-served basis. The programme works to Respect standards.

MARAC quality assurance process, there was a lot of red but the report does read well. At present no operating protocol for MARAC but this is being addressed. There is a sexual violence MARAC pilot running for 6 months, CM is chair and will evaluate. Anticipated that there will be cuts in SDVC's, which will impact on the ones left. DM has written a paper for Police senior management with the proposal to enhance staffing of DV team funding to provide extra IDVA's. LW attended Criminal Justice Board sub-group where a proposal that support agency IDVA's are trained to take victim statements for Police. The group thought it was a good idea in principle as victim already engaged with IDVA. LW agencies are invited to comment on proposal. There needs to be a national definition for DVA, Police have categories where as CPS have any age policy. DM there is an issue around Police capacity to implement CAADA DASH, the process is going to COG, all police officers have been trained.

5. Performance Measures

Framework in place to achieve a report, LW to collect all data. Queries over some of the data LW to go back to Laura Welshman to check out statistics.

6. Funding

DVASG met on 22nd September to discuss possible funding cuts and possible scenarios, paper was tabled.



7. Feedback from Violent Crime Strategy Group

LW had meeting about merging the Rape and Sexual Assault Strategy Group, not clear how group will mesh in.

MARAC repeat rates, targets set not hit therefore failed to obtain an award.

8. Election of Chair

The terms of reference state chair should be elected every year; DM has been chair for 2 ½ years. The meeting decided DM would chair for another 6 months and then review.

9. BDAF representatives to DVA Strategy Group

Chair of BDAF	Leigh Forster
Wish	Sian Taylor
Victim Support	Bev Gordon
Next Link	Pommy Harmar
Freedom Programme	Emily Moreton
BDAF Co-ordinator	Emily Moreton

10. AOB

Nothing raised.

11. Next Meeting

Wednesday 26th January 2011 2-4pm CH

Actions summary table

Action Point	Matters arising	By Who	By When
1	Take to P&J need statistics re breaches of restraining orders so a plan of action can be formulated.	LW/DM	
2	Terms of Reference EM to send before next mtg ready for approval.	EM	
3	C&YP Commissioning Policy Officer post is stuck in HR although PA has completed all the forms HR requested, Dm to write but requires details from PA.	DM/PA	
4	National Indicators were gone through last meeting, match actions against NI's.	LW	Next mtg
5	CYPS indicators are handed back to Safeguarding and that an action plan to measure against and report on is created. Also arrange representation on the sub-groups	AC	ASAP

Wednesday 26th January 2011 2-4pm Council House