



CVS Criminal Justice Forum Tuesday 28 October 2014

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OVERVIEW

- **The PCC Role**
 - 'Police'
 - 'Crime'
 - 'Commissioning'
- **The Police & Crime Plan**
 - The six strategic priorities for Dorset
- **Achievements so far and future plans**
 - Progress and plans against the priorities



THE PCC ROLE (1)

Police

- **Police & Crime Plan**
- **Budget & Precept**
- **Hold Chief Constable to account for delivery**
- **Appoint (& if necessary dismiss) the Chief Constable**
- **Duty to consult the public**
- **Specific duty to consult victims of crime**
- **Governance, scrutiny and oversight of Dorset Police on behalf of the local public**



THE PCC ROLE (2)

Crime

Wider remit to work in partnership with others to improve community safety & criminal justice outcomes:

- **Local Authorities – CSPs; Public Health; Travellers; Road Safety**
- **CJS – CPS; Courts; Probation; Prisons; YOTs; Victim and Witness services**
- **Voluntary & Community Sector**
- **Numerous other partners – DFRS; Health etc**



THE PCC ROLE (3)

Commissioning

PCC may make a “crime & disorder grant” to any person to “secure, or contribute to securing, crime and disorder reduction” ...

- **Youth Offending Teams (part) – from Apr 2012**
- **Community Safety Fund (CSF) – Apr 2013**
- **Victim support funding – from Oct 2014**
- **Safer Dorset Fund – now launched!**



POLICE AND CRIME PLAN

- **Sets out the strategic objectives for policing in Dorset during my term of office**
- **Refreshed annually**
- **Six strategic priorities:**
 - Reduce no. of victims of crime & ASB
 - Reduce no. of people seriously harmed
 - Protect the public from serious threats
 - Reduce re-offending
 - Increase satisfaction with policing in Dorset
 - Support neighbourhood policing – rural/urban



ACHIEVEMENTS

- **REDUCE THE NO. OF VICTIMS OF CRIME & ASB**
 - Crime reduced by 8% (2951 crimes) in 2013/14 on previous year
 - Positive Outcomes & Detection Rates improving
 - Victims Bureau established
 - Early Intervention progress
 - Commissioning victim support services (inc. ASB & Businesses)
 - Victim Focus groups



PLANS

- **REDUCE THE NO. OF VICTIMS OF CRIME & ASB**
 - **Victims Bureau Phase 2**
 - **Kerry McGeachy, Senior Manager, Victim Support**





Victim Support – a new bespoke, local service for Dorset victims

***Kerry McGeachy, Senior Manager,
Victim Support Dorset***





Service delivery - Key Differences

- All services delivered locally – 24/7
- Co-location creating a victims hub
- All victims including anti-social behaviour, business crime
- Providing police case updates
- Paid caseworkers
- Increased mental health provision
- Supporting to access Restorative Justice
- Victim personal statements
- Recover strand – victim participation
- Measuring the difference through the outcome star



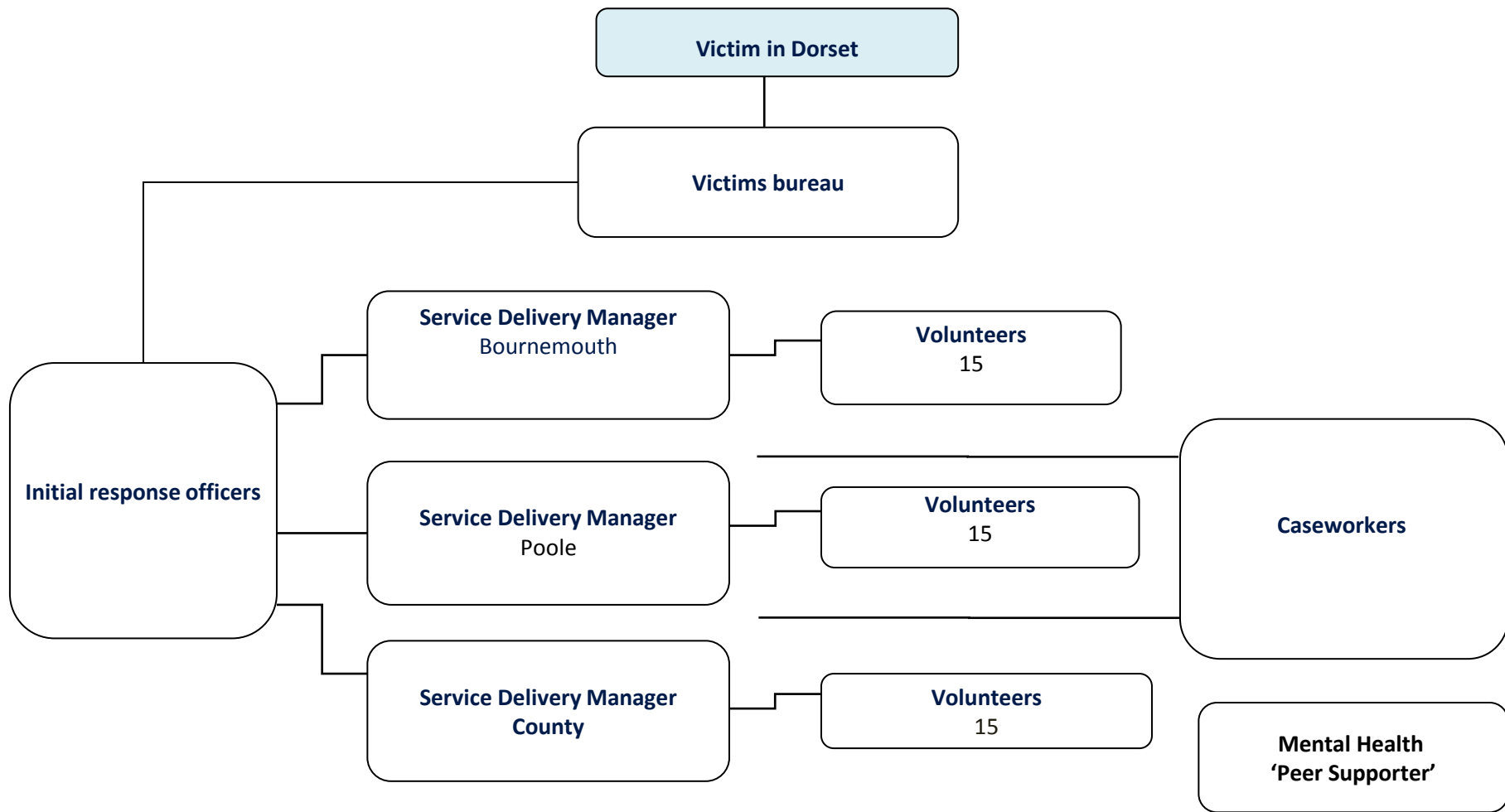


A new team

- Senior Manager – Kerry McGeachy
- 2 Initial Response Officers
- 3 Service Delivery Managers
- 50 Volunteer Key Workers
- 2 Caseworkers
- 1 Service Delivery Administrator
- 1 Mental Health Worker



Referral Pathway





**Dedicated local number for victims – 01202
606200**

**Partnership enquiries –
01202 606204**

Twitter: @VS_Dorset

www.victimsupport.org.uk



PLANS

- **REDUCE THE NO. OF VICTIMS OF CRIME & ASB (Cont'd)**
 - Explore ASB awareness course potential
 - Holding Chief Constable to account for police contribution to wider criminal justice process
 - Ongoing focus on positive outcome rates – 28% in 2013/14 (22% in 2012/13)
 - Innovative rural crime solutions e.g. sheep rustling and satellite tagging of livestock



ACHIEVEMENTS

- **REDUCE THE NO. OF PEOPLE SERIOUSLY HARMED**
 - Mental Health Crisis Care Concordat (national)
 - Mental Health street triage pilot and extension of liaison and diversion scheme (local) and victim initiative
 - Safeguarding vulnerable adults & children (MASH)
 - Domestic Abuse initiatives (Clare's Law; Eve's Law)
 - Street sex outreach worker
 - Ongoing funding for IDVA/ISVA; SARC; DIP



PLANS

- **REDUCE THE NO. OF PEOPLE SERIOUSLY HARMED**
 - Local implementation of MH Concordat
 - Alcohol Harm Reduction measures (Street Pastors; Safe Bus; lobbying for EMROs and LNLs)
 - Focus on road safety e.g. engaging with GPs over older drivers and prescription medication (Benzo's)
 - Establishment of the Road Death Overview Panel
 - Community Remedy consultation and implementation
 - Ongoing development of RJ approaches pan-Dorset



ACHIEVEMENTS

- **HELP PROTECT THE PUBLIC FROM SERIOUS THREATS TO THEIR SAFETY, INCLUDING ORGANISED CRIME AND TERRORISM**
 - Human Trafficking & Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE) awareness
 - Lobbying for improvements to Action Fraud
 - Ongoing commitment to work with partners nationally (NCA), regionally (ROCU “Zephyr”) and locally to reduce risk of harm
 - Ongoing disruption of Organised Crime Groups and asset recovery



PLANS

- **HELP PROTECT THE PUBLIC FROM SERIOUS THREATS TO THEIR SAFETY, INCLUDING ORGANISED CRIME AND TERRORISM**
 - Regional cyber crime approach
 - Enhanced Force cyber crime response
 - Ongoing focus on increasing asset recovery
 - Cyber crime awareness campaign



ACHIEVEMENTS

• **REDUCE RE-OFFENDING**

- Fully engaged with national Transforming Rehabilitation reforms and local implementation
- Active role on Dorset Criminal Justice Board
- Development of Restorative Justice (research commissioned; appointment of RJ co-ordinator)
- Ongoing engagement with key partners e.g. prison governors (“through the prison gates” offender resettlement)



PLANS

- **REDUCE RE-OFFENDING**
 - Effective information sharing
 - Effective mentoring support for offenders
 - Dealing firmly with breaches of conditions & exploring more advanced tagging
 - Explore extending victim conferencing to prisons and Neighbourhood Justice Panels (NJPs)
 - Specific interventions for female offenders and war veterans
 - Community Remedy (beach picking; “a punishment to fit the crime”)



ACHIEVEMENTS

- **INCREASE PEOPLE'S SATISFACTION WITH POLICING IN DORSET**
 - Holding the Chief Constable to account for service delivery e.g. 101; crime attendance; enquiry office consultation, speed enforcement reviews
 - Responding to concerns over crime recording data integrity
 - Secured funding for a Body Worn Video (BWV) pilot in 2014/15



PLANS

- **INCREASE PEOPLE’S SATISFACTION WITH POLICING IN DORSET**
 - Smarter Systems Programme (mobile technology to support frontline policing)
 - Further development of communication, consultation and engagement with the public (“community days”)
 - Implementation of the Code of Ethics across Dorset Police (and OPCC)



ACHIEVEMENTS

- **SUPPORT NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING THAT IS APPROPRIATE FOR RURAL & URBAN COMMUNITIES**
 - Secondment of staff to support Watch Schemes
 - Reversed the recruitment freeze
 - Increased Volunteer numbers (tiered approach)
 - Ongoing recruitment drive for Specials
 - Instigated a Rural Crime Strategy review
 - Supporting innovation e.g. Boscombe “Tardis”
 - Community Speed Watch & Dorset Alert



PLANS

- **SUPPORT NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING THAT IS APPROPRIATE FOR RURAL & URBAN COMMUNITIES**
 - Ongoing commitment to protect SNTs and PCSOs (Strategic Alliance)
 - Ongoing drive to increase Specials and Volunteers
 - Focus on implementation of Rural Crime Strategy and innovative solutions
 - Keep supporting Watch Schemes



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