



Leicestershire Police & Partner Agencies
Adult Out of Court Scrutiny Panel
Minutes

12th August 2016

1. Attendees

Paul Stock – Chair – Chief Executive OPCC
Caroline Barker - Leicestershire Police
John Norman - Leicestershire Police
Kayley Galway – Leicestershire Probation
Emma Langham – HMCTS
Ian Clarkson – Chairman of L&R Bench
Mina Shah – Women’s Aid
Supt Michael Mulqueen - Leicestershire Police (MMQ)
Steven Kennell – CPS

2. Apologies

Supt David Sandall - Leicestershire Police
Michael Hopkinson – National Probation Service
Nigel Chapman – CPS
Angela Perry – OPCC

3. Minutes and Actions from last meeting

Previous minutes approved, all actions have been updated and closed.

4. Adult Offender Disposal Data

JN apologised for the absence of data yet again, but this was not through the lack of trying. PS was also disappointed that we had no data to share with the group especially in light of promising this would be available at this meeting. He will be speaking and writing to the Chief Constable after this meeting.

MMQ also advised he would make enquiries with the ACC.

Action: PS to speak with the Chief Constable in relation to lack of Disposal Data/resources being made available for these meetings.

KG advised now that they have been taken over by 'Turning Point' and are currently providing their services without any funding, this data is fundamental to them to ensure that they can continue this work and this information is required to 'fight their corner'.

Both the Court representatives also irritated this message, as they have noticed a reduction in court cases; they need to ensure that 'Community Resolution' is being carried out in a correct and confident manner.

5. Panel Cases for consideration

The 15 cases chosen at random by the OPCC were reviewed by the Panel and the following recorded:

6 cases graded 1 – Appropriate and consistent with Police policies and/ or the CPS Code for Crown Prosecutors

7 cases graded 2 – Appropriate but with Observations

2 cases graded 3 – Inappropriate and inconsistent with Police policies and/or the CPS Code for Crown Prosecutors

Case No:	Offence:	Disposal	Panel Findings & Comments	Category
01	Theft Store	Adult Community Resolution	Appropriate but with Observations	2
02	Damage (under £5,000)	Adult Community Resolution	Appropriate but with Observations	2
03	Sex Offenders Register Offence	Adult Conditional Caution	Appropriate and consistent with Police policies and/or the CPS Code for Crown Court	1
04	Theft from Store	Adult Community Resolution	Appropriate but with Observations	2
05	Common Assault (Battery)	Adult Conditional Caution	Appropriate but with Observations	2
06	Damage (less than £5,000)	Adult Conditional Caution	Appropriate but with Observations	2
07	Theft from Store	Adult Conditional Caution	Appropriate but with Observations	2
08	S5 Public Order	Adult Conditional Caution	Appropriate and consistent with Police policies and/or the CPS Code for Crown Court	1
09	Possess Cannabis	Adult Conditional Caution	Inappropriate and inconsistent with Police Policies and/or the CPS Code	3
10	S5 Public Order	Adult Conditional Caution	Appropriate but with Observations	2

Case No:	Offence:	Disposal	Panel Findings & Comments	Category
11	DV Common Assault (Battery)	Adult Conditional Caution	Appropriate and consistent with Police policies and/or the CPS Code for Crown Court	1
12	DV Commons Assault (Battery)	Adult Conditional Caution	Appropriate and consistent with Police policies and/or the CPS Code for Crown Court	1
13	DV Damage (less than £5,000)	Adult Conditional Caution	Appropriate and consistent with Police policies and/or the CPS Code for Crown Court	1
14	DV Common Assault (Battery)	Adult Conditional Caution	Appropriate and consistent with Police policies and/or the CPS Code for Crown Court	1
15	DV Damage (less than £5,000)	Adult Conditional Caution	Inappropriate and inconsistent with Police Policies and/or the CPS Code	3

There were no cases where the panel failed to reach a conclusion.

Of the cases deemed (number 2) “Appropriate but with Observations” the following observations were made:

#01	No check for offences outside UK. Indefinite ban from pharmacy not forcible – needs end date. Banning from pharmacy does not help partner agencies (i.e.: Turning Point)
#02	No referral made to drug or alcohol partner agencies
#04	No check for offences outside the UK. Store ban but no time scale, CR not recorded on PNC
#05	Victim was on holiday should they have waited until their return before making decision to ensure this was agreeable. – CB to provide feedback to officer (rationale from Officer)
#06	Time wasted going to CPS, this should have been dealt with in house. This should have been a ‘CC’. Where does the figure £30 come from? CB to provide feedback to officer.
#07	Organised crime – knew what they were doing, no store ban, no aftercare offered.
#10	Victim awareness course not offered, no interviews from club/pub, no description of CCTV coverage. CB to provide feedback to officer.

Of the cases deemed (number 3) “Inappropriate and inconsistent with Police policies and/or the CPS Code for Crown Prosecutors”

#09	This should have been a CR. CB to provide feedback to officer
#15	No referral on girlfriend or her child - CB to provide back to officer

6. National Out of Court Disposal Pilot Scheme Update

Plans to publish the valuation report later this year are being discussed and JN will keep the group updated on this.

We as a Force agreed to continue using DV Cases pending the outcome from the MOJ.

7. Communication

PS once again apologised for the lack of data. In summary we are consistent and PS is happy for the panel to share our work from these meetings with their colleagues and as soon as he has the data reports he will share this with the group.

8. AOB

KG – New Dawn New Day – all female offenders will be sent to this service and they will carry out risk assessments and triage future care.

Michael Woods Centre has also been rented to assist with female offenders.

9. Dates of Future Meetings – FHQ - Main Conference Room

11th October 2016 @ 10am

11th January 2017 @ 10am

18th April 2017 @ 10am

19th July 2017 @ 10am

11th October 2017 @ 10am