

FULL COUNCIL

26th June 2023

UPDATES AND INFORMATION

Councillor updates, conferences and events

Cllr Dredge – 16th May 2023 - Devon and Cornwall Police Commissioner's Tackling Drugs Seminar (notes attached)

Cllr Spencer & Hladkij (and Town Clerk) – 16th May 2023 – Police Liaison Meeting to discuss ASB

Cllr Dredge – 23rd May 2023 – Devon and Cornwall Police Commissioner's Showcase (notes attached)

Cllr Spencer, Cllr Austen & Cllr Cole (and Town Clerk) – 23rd June 2023 - Ivybridge Chamber of Trade meeting

Cllr Dredge – 9th June 2023 – South Hams Police Councillor Advocates Meeting (update attached)

Cllr Spencer (and Town Clerk) – 14th June 2023 - South Hams Mayors and Clerks Meeting

General Updates

Dementia Friendly Community and Accessible Ivybridge

Councillor Abbott has been progressing this throughout the community.

Pedal Power

The event run by SHDC and supported by the Town Council is happening on 1st July 2023 and includes:

Velodrome cycling - suitable for anyone from beginners on balance bikes all the way to elite riders

Guided bike rides - for all the family around Ivybridge and into the surrounding areas run by Sustrans, and sponsored by Dartmoor National Park

Adult confidence cycle taster sessions - for those that want some extra support. These will be instructor-led sessions.

Skateboarding sessions - if skateboarding is your preferred wheeled event. Skateboards, helmets and pads provided.

Dr Bike stand - bring your bike along for a free service thanks to Dartmoor National Park.

Practice riding in the sports hall - if you haven't managed pedals or prefer your balance bike bring them along to the sports hall for a whizz around.

Alfresco spinning - if you prefer staying still for your cycling exercise, there will be outside spinning sessions - run by Fusion Leisure.

Swimming - if you fancy leaving wheels behind altogether, then bring your swimsuit and children go free with a paying adult. The only paid activity of the day.

Music from local bands in the afternoon

Have your say - Have your say on the future of active travel in the South Hams by helping to develop routes that best suit your community. Stop by and have a chat with the Council's team to share your thoughts.

Councillor Advocate Seminar Tackling Drugs

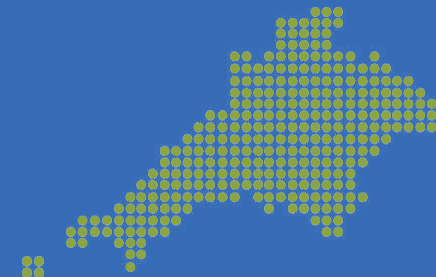
Tuesday, May 16, 2023



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Agenda:

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| 10:00 – 10:30 | <i>Arrival, tea and coffee</i> |
| 10:30 – 10:45 | Welcome and housekeeping from Patrick Phelvin, Head of Communications and Customer Engagement (OPCC) |
| 10:45 – 11:00 | Introduction from The Police and Crime Commissioner |
| 11:00 – 11:15 | Video presentation from Dr Katherine McHale, Acting Consultant in Public Health Devon, Devon County Council |
| 11:15 – 11:45 | Presentation followed by Q & A from Philippa Brown, Health and Justice Partnership Coordinator covering the South West. |
| 11:45 – 12:00 | <i>Break</i> |
| 12:00 – 12:30 | Presentation from Detective Superintendent Jon Bancroft |
| 12:30 - 13:00 | <i>Lunch</i> |
| 13:00 – 13:30 | Talk from Stewart Lee of the Amber project |



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Welcome from Alison Hernandez

**The Police and Crime Commissioner
for Devon, Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly**

**Video presentation from
Dr Katherine McHale**

**Acting Consultant in Public Health Devon
Devon County Council**

Devon Drug and Alcohol Strategic Partnership

Dr Kat McHale
Acting Consultant in Public Health
Devon County Council



Introduction

- 10-year drugs strategy, 'From Harm to Hope', which is backed by over £3 billion from 2022 to 2025
- Underpinned by Dame Carol Black's landmark independent review
- Devon Drug and Alcohol Strategic Partnership - formed in September 2022 in response to the National Drug Strategy ['From Harm to Hope'](#).
- The strategy's fifteen commitments sit under three core priorities, which are to:
 - break drug supply chains
 - deliver a world-class treatment and recovery system for drug and alcohol dependency; and
 - achieve a shift in the demand for recreational drugs.



15 Commitments

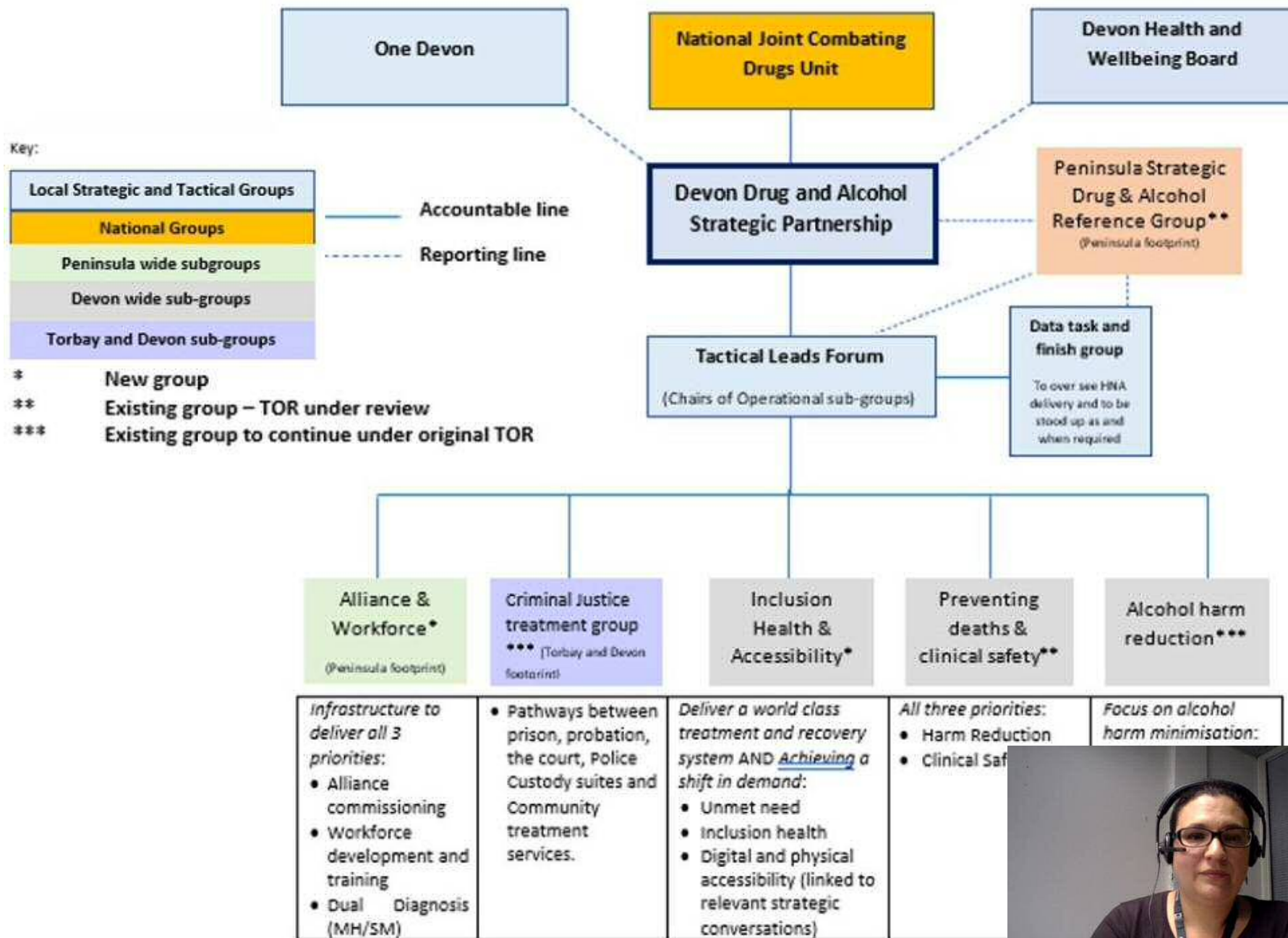
Break drug supply chains	Deliver a world-class treatment and recovery system	Achieve a generational shift in the demand for drugs
targeting the 'middle market'	delivering world-class treatment and recovery services	applying tougher and more meaningful consequences
going after the money	strengthening the professional workforce	delivering school-based prevention and early intervention
rolling up county lines	ensuring better integration of services	supporting young people and families most at risk of substance misuse or criminal exploitation
tackling the retail market	improving access to accommodation alongside treatment	
restricting the supply of drugs into prisons	improving employment opportunities	
	increasing referrals into treatment in the criminal justice system	
	keeping people engaged in treatment after release from prison	



Actions so far

- Needs assessment undertaken linking with partners and organisations across the system - submitted to the Joint Combatting Drugs Unit at the end of 2022
- The Partnership and are now taking the actions forward through a number of subgroups.
- Tactical leads group - oversees the work of the subgroups and reports to the Partnership
- Delivery plan - Priority actions identified by the sub-groups





Alcohol harm reduction

- Geographical Scope: Devon
- Ensures local alcohol partnerships and systems are effective in preventing and reducing alcohol-related harm, focusing on: making alcohol harm reduction everyone's business, upstream prevention that addresses the wider determinants of alcohol related harm, the whole life-course including trauma informed practice and acknowledging the importance and impact of adverse childhood experiences and co-produced integrated, tailored treatment pathways.
- Priorities:
 - Ongoing development of Alcohol dashboard (linking national and local data)
 - Improving pathways between services
 - Exploring options for an alcohol licensing tool
 - Improve training offers
 - Influence education via PSHE group



Alliance and workforce

- Geographical Scope: Devon
- Developing a plan for the future workforce focusing on improving the integration of substance misuse and mental health services; maximising the effectiveness of shared GP care; ensuring the workforce is trauma responsive and trauma informed; and linking with the System Change Action Alliance to develop more integrated delivery model across the system (this may include the formation of an action plan to move towards an alliance model of commissioning and provision in future).
- Priorities
 - Workforce mapping - existing treatment services, roles, and training
 - The formation of a lived experience model for Devon.
 - Dual diagnosis and shared care
 - Developing training: trauma informed, alliance ways of working
 - Promoting alliance ways of working, collaborate CIC
 - Anti-Stigma work



Criminal Justice Treatment Group

- Geographical Scope: Devon and Torbay
- Reducing the impact of drug and alcohol use as a criminogenic factor of offending focusing on: partnership working between local substance misuse agencies and criminal justice partners; improve the access to treatment for people in the criminal justice system; and to reduce the impact on crime and anti-social behaviour.
- Priorities:
 - Continued improvement in continuity of care for people exiting prison into the community. Launch of wellbeing and recovery check out lounge at Exeter Prison March 2023 and Channings Wood.
 - Strengthen pathways between CJS and community treatment eg. Those doing community sentences. Collating and monitoring the Community Centred treatment requirement data and looking to increase volumes of people on non-custodial pieces of work.



Inclusion Health and Accessibility

- Geographical Scope: Devon
- Providing a coordinated evidence -based approach to improve the health outcomes and reduce inequality for people who are recognised as being excluded from mainstream healthcare. This includes people who are experiencing homelessness; rough sleeping or who are vulnerably housed; people selling sex, vulnerable migrants; people from a Gypsy, Roma or Traveller background and people leaving prison.
- Priorities:
 - Looking at pathways from emergency care back into housing and focus on Homelessness.
 - Supporting retender of clock tower
 - Accessibility for LGBTQ+ and ethnic minority groups



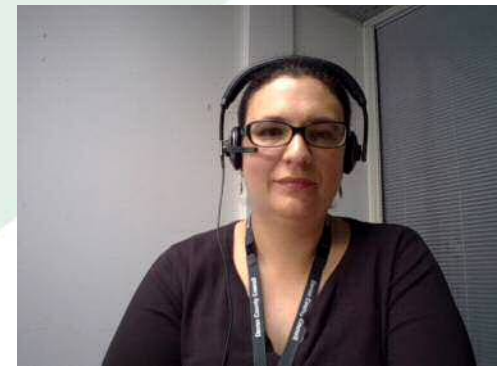
Preventing deaths and clinical safety

- Geographical Scope: Devon
- Reviewing preventable deaths in Devon, identify clusters, new patterns or major concerns; review national guidance and identify areas for improvement in our systems.
- Priorities:
 - Creating a multiagency review of Drug related Deaths.
 - Improving pathways and discharges from criminal justice settings, hospitals, and mental health treatment services
 - Improved data exchange: particularly involving the ambulance trust, Hospital trusts, Police and coroner data.
 - Establishing a non-fatal overdose response



Primary prevention and early intervention

- **Geographical Scope: Devon**
- A new Healthy Schools Group being established will lead on PSHE
- Linking in with the DCC Communities team on young people and families at risk of exploitation.



SSMTRG: Investment in Devon

- Criminal Justice link worker posts (for Prisons and Courts)
- Researcher Post
- Alcohol Hospital Link worker post for Y-SMART in North Devon
- Assessment of Accessibility of Substance Use treatment services for ethnic minorities and LGBTQ+ populations
- Workforce training
- Expansion of a Buvidal long acting depot injection OST with Clock Tower Surgery
- Enhance the Residential Rehabilitation fund
- Alcohol Liaison Nurse in North Devon with an Adult focus
- Sustain the Flourish in Nature programme- this provides individuals in recovery the opportunity to engage in outdoor pursuits and gain qualifications- some have gone onto to gain employment



CJ Substance Misuse Team

- Prison Transition workers covering HMP Eastwood Park, Channings Wood, Exeter and Dartmoor (involving EDP and BtheChange) these are funded by SSMTRG and NHSE money- the BtheChange work with females exiting HMP Eastwood Park is to be extended using OPCC funding
- Court link workers are involved in increasing the number of people accessing treatment through Community Sentence Treatment Requirements, Mental Health Treatment Requirements will be provided by EDP very soon (following the NHSE commission)
- EDP are to recruit a Police Custody Suite worker who will predominantly be based in Exeter but provide training and agree pathways with other Devon Custody Suites- this is funded using OPCC money. As this post is new it will also be a useful comparison to other areas where the Police have agreed a referral pathway for those Drug Tested on Arrest in Custody Suites.



Challenges and Next Steps

- Strengthening partnership working
- Developing alliance ways of working and commissioning
- Developing the role of lived experience
- Short term funding
- Outcome framework due Summer 2023
- Determining local outcome measures
- Progress report due July 2023
- Developing a public facing online platform



Thank you for listening

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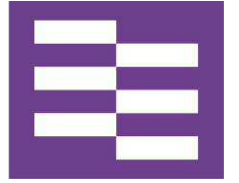
Philippa Brown

**Health and Justice Partnership
Coordinator
(covering the South West)**



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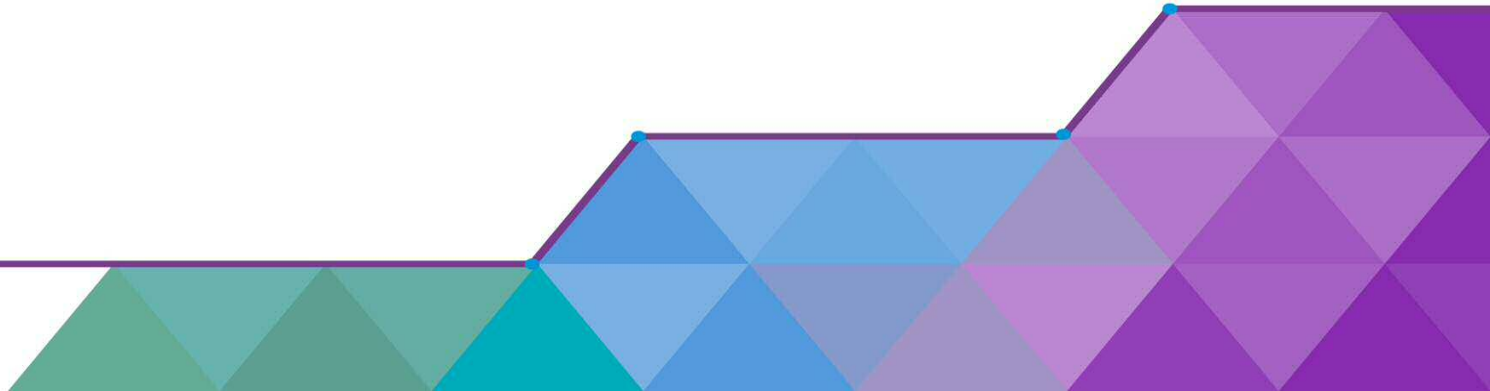


Health and Justice Partnerships Team

Probation South West

March 2023

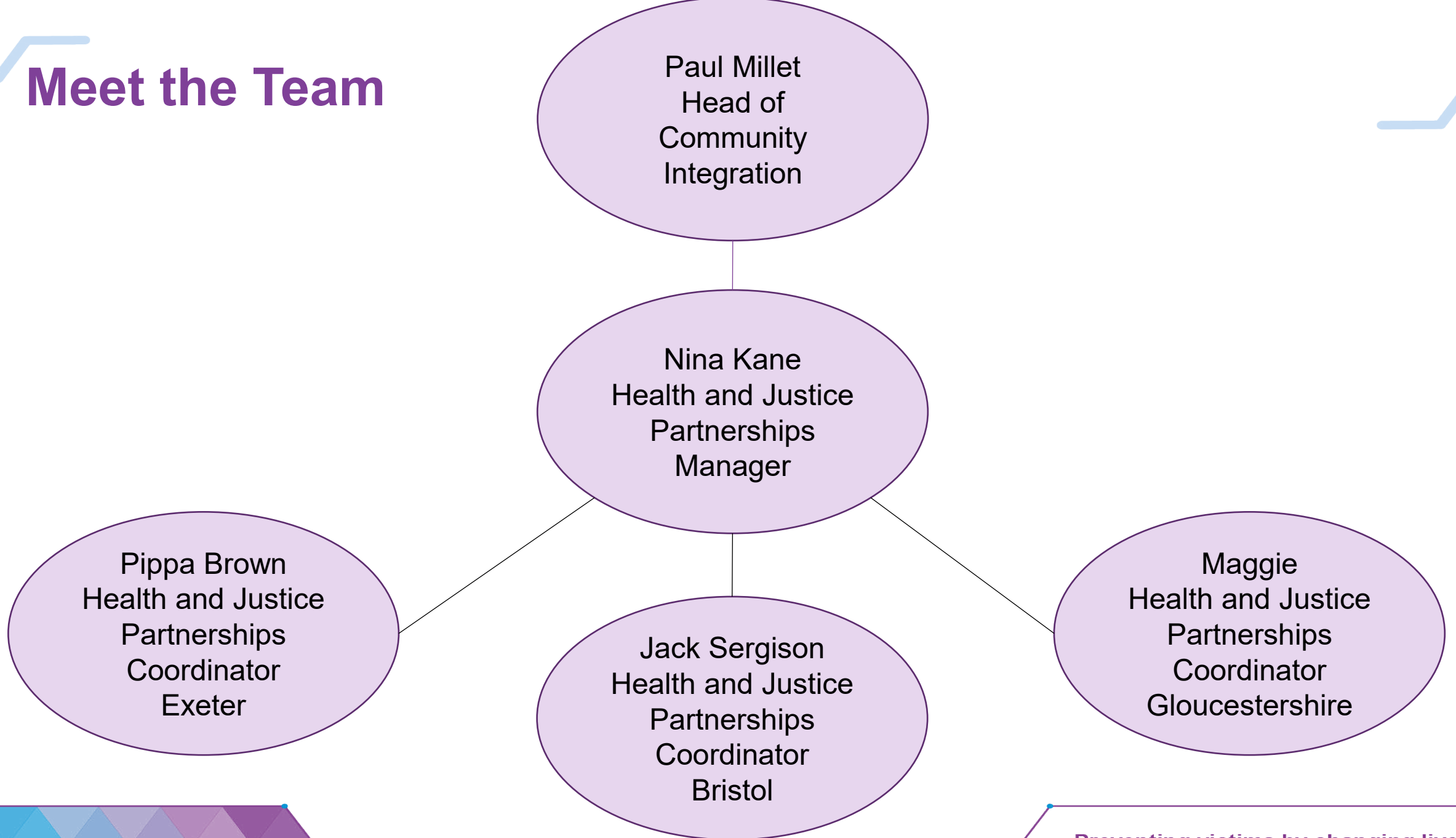
Preventing victims by changing lives



Health Inequalities in the Criminal Justice System

- The new Health and Justice Partnerships teams came into being as a result of the Harm to Hope 10 year drug strategy. Each region has a team and we belong to HMPPS. Our over arching objective is to improve health outcomes for people in prison and on probation.
- It is well known that people in the criminal justice system have poorer health outcomes that the rest of the population.
- The mortality rate of prisoners is 50% higher.
- 15% of prisoners have experienced homelessness compared to just 3.5% of the rest of the population.
- 42% of people in prison and 17% on probation suffer depression compared to 10% of the rest of the population.
- It is broadly recognised that many prisoners have the biological characteristics of those who are 10 years older than them.
- In addressing health inequalities and improving health services for people in prison and on probation, the Health and Justice Partnership Team aim not only to improve health outcomes but also to increase each individuals capacity to make positive changes in their lives and to move away from offending.

Meet the Team



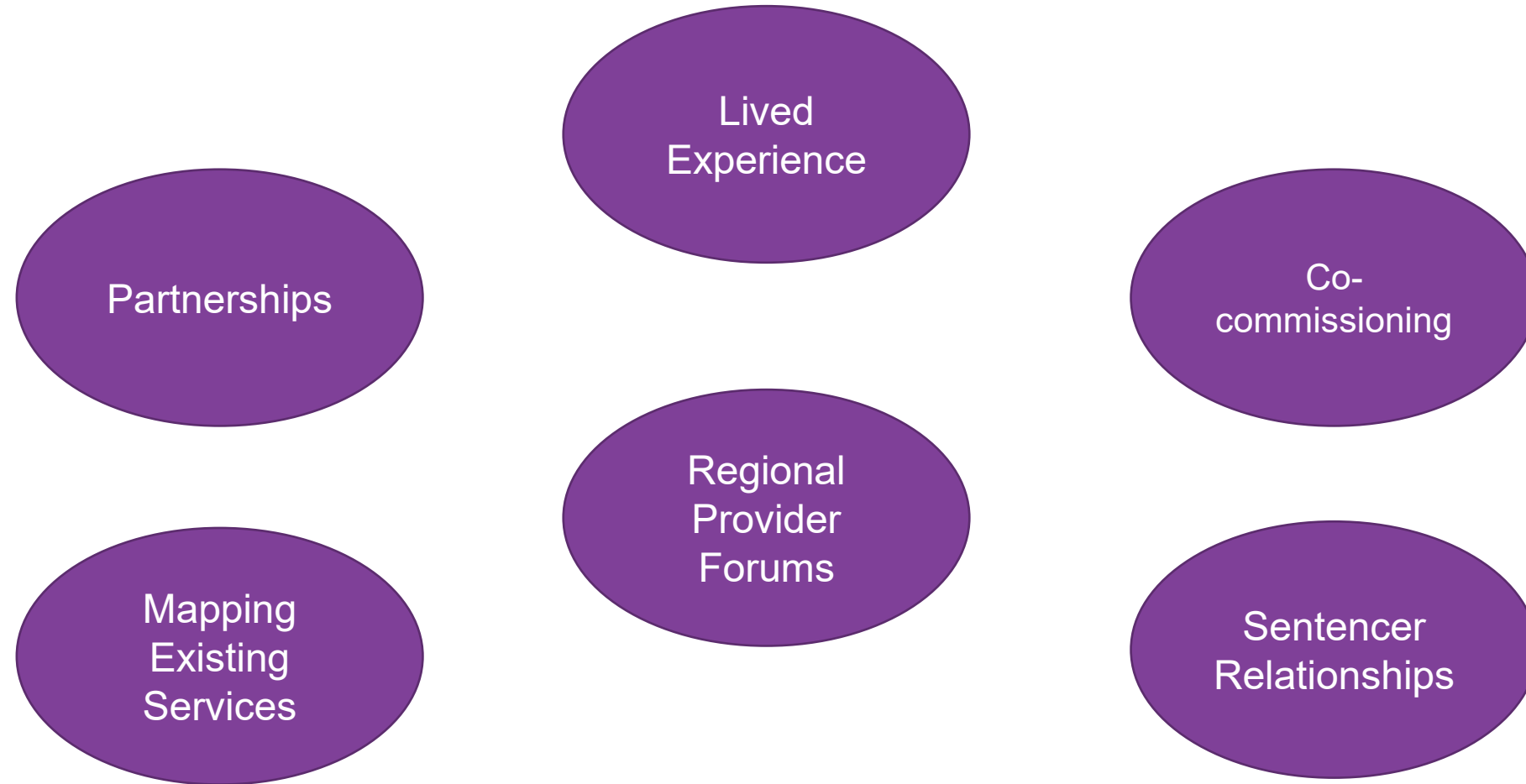


Key Priorities



1. We will support an increase in the volume of CSTRs sentenced across the South West
2. We will support the continuity of care of people leaving prison and the achievement of the 75% continuity of care target.
3. We will commission Personal Wellbeing and Dependency and Recovery Services which will support effective engagement with and successful completions of CSTRs
4. We will support the implementation and delivery of preventative healthcare programmes for people in prison and on probation across the South West.
5. We will develop and implement a health and social care pathway for people leaving prison and people on probation.
6. We will support the learning and professional development of probation practitioners around health and justice issues.
7. We will address health inequalities experienced by disadvantaged cohorts in prison and on probation

How We will Work





Contact Details



- Health and Justice Partnership Manager – Nina.kane@justice.gov.uk 07561878879
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- Health and Justice Partnership Coordinator for Exeter area – Phillipa.brown@justice.gov.uk 07928 661566
- Health and Justice Partnership Coordinator for Gloucestershire area – TBC



Any Questions?

Break – back at 12 o'clock



Detective Superintendent Jon Bancroft

Devon and Cornwall Police

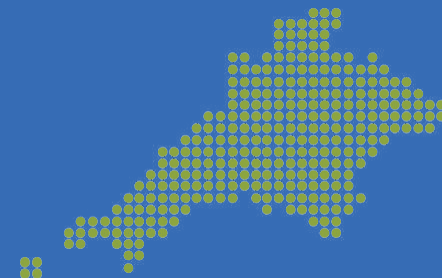


Lunch and networking
– back at 1pm

Talk from Stewart Lee

The Amber Project

**Thank you for coming and
have a safe journey home**



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Commissioner's Showcase
Held at Devon & Cornwall Police Headquarters
Middlemoor Exeter
23rd May 2023

The event was in effect a 'trade show' for services available to the public including help for forms of abuse, drug addiction, alcohol addiction etc. Service providers had tables spread round two rooms.

The meeting started with a number of speeches. Unfortunately, the Commissioner was unable to be present but the Chief Financial Officer delivered an address on her behalf. The main speaker was Will Kerr, our new Chief Constable, who had previously served in Belfast. He noted particularly that the Devon & Cornwall police force appears to be generally well received by the public.

I was able to have quite a long talk with Mr Kerr regarding Ivybridge in general and our relationship with the local police including the new sector inspector.

In order to make as much of the morning as possible, in addition to talking to many of those offering services, I was given leaflets now displayed in our information centre.

Cllr Phillip Dredge
31.05.23

South Hams Councillor Advocates' Teams Meeting
Held on Friday 9th June 2023

Note than when the police refer to criminal action in Ivybridge it is not just the town but a larger sector.

- The long running theft of high tension cables from pylons appears to have been thwarted through police action partly by police attending scrap metal merchants and seizing relevant evidence. The investigation continues.
- A detailed report of advice given and action taken by the police against the anti-social behaviour in Ivybridge was given and we were left in no doubt that if crimes are identified that warrant prosecution, they will be appropriately actioned. Any ASB will be addressed across the agencies that involved, police, local authority and education.
- There has been an increase in acquisitive crime (as was forecast as the cost of living rose). This includes theft from work vans targeting tools, and commercial burglaries (police have a suspect in mind for the burglaries).
- Devon & Cornwall's rural crime team focussing on Heritage Crime over the next month, including preventative multiagency methods.
- The theft of motorcycles/mopeds has been spreading out from Torbay. Although South Hams have not been targeted since March / April.
- Each of the main police stations has its own email account for intelligence and information – eg tell them if you see a large group of youths congregating in a menacing attitude as if there is going to be a gang fight. This will be station@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk (Stations are Totnes, Ivybridge, Kingsbridge, Dartmouth).

Each month priorities are re-assessed with a number dropping off the radar and new ones being introduced as necessary.

I sought clarification on policing of speed limits below 30 mph and the resulting police response has been circulated to members and the Town Clerk.

Cllr Phillip Dredge