

LANCASHIRE COMBINED FIRE AUTHORITY

Meeting to be held on Monday, 24 April 2017

MEMBER CHAMPION ACTIVITY – QUARTERLY REPORT (Appendix 1 refers)

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Executive Summary

This paper provides a report on the work for the period up to March 2017.

Recommendation

The Authority is requested to note the report and acknowledge the work of the respective Champions.

Information

In December 2007, the Authority introduced the 'Champion' role and allocated a nominal budget per member in respect of four subject areas. These positions are currently filled by:

- Equality and Diversity – Councillor Terry Aldridge
- Older People – County Councillor Mark Perks
- Environment – County Councillor Ken Brown
- Road Safety – Councillor Fred Jackson

Reports relating to the activity of the Member Champions are provided on a quarterly basis to the Authority. This report relates to activity for the period up to March 2017.

During this period, all have undertaken their respective role in accordance with the defined terms of reference. Their activity to date:

Equality and Diversity – County Councillor Terry Aldridge

Positive Action in recruitment

The wholetime recruitment process continues until May 2017. The positive action recruitment campaign resulted in 13% female applicants and 87% male applicants. In addition a total of 5% of applicants were from a BME background. Appointment will be on merit and diversity will continue to be monitored at shortlisting and appointment.

Policy

The Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Policy has been updated and approved by the Authority and is now being implemented.

Training

Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Training is in the process of being refreshed to include unconscious bias and this will form part of the induction for all staff and will be issued as a refresher to exiting members of staff.

Older People – County Councillor Mark Perks

The Dementia Task Group continues to grow in strength and the Dementia leads in each area have now been identified and are acting as a Single Point of Contact for all enquiries within that area. The Leads are:-

Jane Williams – Strategic Lead SHQ
Gary Acomb – Co-ordinator SHQ
Sharon Aspden – Western
Julie Simpson – Northern
Karen Scarborough – Central
Angela Hammond – Pennine
Claire Burscough – Southern
Eileen Brown – Eastern



Other actions the Task Group is current working on include:

- A list of all Dementia Champions and Dementia Friends will be collated so that we can facilitate any requested Dementia Friends' Sessions and we will support each other with the allocations. This will also identify any gaps we can then address.
- Dementia Prompt Safety Stickers have been produced and were distributed at the Prevention Seminar in January. These can now be found in the Virtual Library or by contacting Sharon Aspden.
- The Dementia Buddies Scheme is to be expanded across all areas. This is currently being piloted in the Northern area. Funding has been secured for 1000 devices, which will be distributed at Safe and Well Visits and managed by the Dementia Leads. County Councillor Perks has provided further funding to support this initiative. This will include training all CFS staff and

the crews on how to request a device and also what to do if somebody is found and they have a device on them.

- Attendance continues at the Dementia Action Alliances to ensure LFRS is represented at the multi-agency meetings.
- Promotion and encouragement for all LFRS staff to become Dementia Friends and sessions will be facilitated in all areas.
- We are also looking at hosting a Dementia Event in each area during Dementia week - 15th – 21st May. Corporate Communications will be supporting the publicity of these events.

Road Safety – Councillor Fred Jackson

Safe Drive Stay Alive

Since the last report, the Safe Drive Stay Alive multi-agency Road Safety Team have delivered presentations at the following locations:

- **King Georges Hall Blackburn Wednesday 8th and Thursday 9th February**
Delivered to 1761 students from Blackburn College, Training 2000, Accrington and Rossendale College, Accrington Academy St Marys, St Christopher's and St Wilfred's 6th forms.
- **Ripley St Thomas High School**
Delivered to 315 students from the 6th Form.

Thematic Road Safety Group

GM Crook chaired the third Thematic Road Safety Group meeting on 24 February, where an action was agreed to review and refresh both the Wasted Lives and Childsafe Plus programmes. This work is currently ongoing and will be completed and ready to roll out to both high schools and primary schools from September 2017.

Lancashire Road Safety Partnership Operations Group

(Formerly Lancashire Partnership for Road Safety Management Board)

The operations group held a meeting / workshop on Tuesday, 24 January at Police HQ Hutton. All partners were tasked to produce a Road Safety Action plan for 2017 (attached as appendix 1 for information).

Environment – County Councillor Ken Brown

National Operational Guidance has been issued for Environmental Protection which includes sections on: Fire and Rescue Service responsibilities; Working with the Environment Agency; Fire Water Run Off; Physical Damage to the Environment; Wildfires. A gap analysis has been carried out to identify any gaps in LFRS arrangements and operating procedures against this new guidance. Minor revisions are required and operating procedures will be developed as necessary.

**Lancashire Road Safety Partnership Operational Group
2017 Workstream Focus**



The following is an outline of the main areas of focus for each of the Lancashire Road Safety Partnership partners. The list is not exhaustive but identifies areas of specific focus, development or need.

Lancashire County Council	Lancashire Constabulary
Child KSIs (pedestrians) Cycling (all ages) Working age Car Occupants (failed to look) Theatre in Education – high schools ELearning package – all ages Casualty reduction based toolkit Ongoing engineering works	BikeSafe (2017 dates out now) BikeWatch Young people – SafeDrive StayAlive Cyclists
Lancashire Fire and Rescue	Blackburn with Darwen
Year 6 – child pedestrians Biker Down Wasted Lives and SafeDrive StayAlive	Public Health delivery of ETP with community safety teams Link with LCC Red light camera trial Average Speed will cover BwD
Blackpool	North West Ambulance Service
No road safety team Pre & young drivers through LFRS & LRSP Year 6 through LFRS	2500 community first responders Support SafeDrive StayAlive Support BikeSafe delivery
Highways England	Lancashire Road Safety Partnership
Isle of Man TT Towing Working Group Motorcycle Working Group New Driver Initiative Older Driver Strategy DfBB – partnership benchmarking Regional Road Safety Working Group Tyre Safety / Roadworthiness BabyBox	Average Speed installation over 8 routes Mobile phone communication Increase of social media activity

Workstream Groups

The following details the partners allocated to each workstream sub group of focus for the Lancashire Road Safety Partnership for 2017. This list will develop along with the development of the initiatives associated with the workstreams.

Primary School Education	Young Drivers
Jackie Brindle (LCC) LEAD Deborah Hall (LCC) Steve Collins (LFRS) Sean Powell (BPL)	Rhiannon Leeds (LRSP) LEAD Andy Trotter (LanCon) Steve Collins (LFRS) Dave Rigby (NWAS)
Powered 2 Wheelers	Older Road Users
Andy Trotter (LanCon) LEAD Steve Collins (LFRS) Dave Rigby (NWAS) Marc Proctor (LanCon)	Jackie Brindle (LCC) LEAD Lara Barr (LanCon)
Cyclists	Virtual Reality
Jackie Brindle (LCC) LEAD Sean Powell (BPL) Andrew Wright (LRSP)	Steve Collins (LFRS) LEAD Tony Crook (LFRS) Rhiannon Leeds (LRSP) Jackie Brindle (LCC)
Driving for Business	SpIDS
Jackie Brindle (LCC) LEAD Steve Collins (LFRS) Lisa Scott (HE)	Nick Hughes (LCC) LEAD Andy Trotter (LanCon) Sean Powell (BPL) Andrew Wright (LRSP) Marc Proctor, John McLaughlin, Gary Makin (LanCon)

2017 Action Plan

The action plan for Lancashire Road Safety Partnership has been developed with the needs of each of the partner in mind. Based on the casualty data for Lancashire and the resources available the Lancashire Road Safety Partnership will aim to do the following education activity in 2017 alongside other engineering and enforcement solutions:

Primary School Education	Young Drivers
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review the delivery of primary education from the Brainbox Research report and implement some updates to primary school packages where suitable (RL & JB) Refresh the ChildSafe+ year 6 package in line with the recommendations and existing LCC delivery of key messages and roll out for Sept 2017 (RL & SC) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue delivery of SafeDrive StayAlive across the county – delivery to approx. 6000 p/a (AT & RL) Tweak Wasted Lives delivery to aim at year 11s delivery by LFRS (SC & RL)
Powered 2 Wheelers	Older Road Users
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deliver BikeSafe on 6 days during this bike season (AT & DR) Develop the Biker Down initiative (SC) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reinstate the 60+ driver assessment scheme and deliver to at least 50 participants in 2017 (JB & LB)
Cyclists	Virtual Reality
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Look to have a visible presence with key messages at Blackpool ride the lights (SP, JB) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investigate the feasibility of using immersive community education for road safety (SC)
Driving for Business	SpIDS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deliver a 1 day seminar style session open to all businesses in Lancashire (JB, RL, LS) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review deployment and locations of existing SpIDS (speed tasking group)