

Safer Bromley Partnership

Reducing Reoffending

Strategic Group Report

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Operational Update

Oxleas Mental Health Services were invited to attend the I.O.M. panel meeting in September (Grace John-Baptiste who is the Lead Social Worker in Bromley Adult Mental Health). They found attending the meeting to be very beneficial. Attendance also takes place at the MAPPA meetings (Multi-Agency Public Protection Arrangements) so this fits in with Offender Management. Oxleas will continue to attend this meeting regularly. Having regular attendance from this service provides timely information on relevant cases and ensures offenders are supported where necessary and those fit to work can be supported in the right direction.

Theresa Gardiner who is the Employment & Skills Manager from London CRC will attend the next I.O.M. meeting in October together with a member of the Go-Train agency with whom they work. Theresa is in charge of providing information and opportunities for ex-offenders with regards to employment, training and education. Attendance from Theresa and Go-Train will help to increase referrals to ETE.

Helen Andrews (I.O.M. Support Officer) visited the Living Well Project in Penge on Friday, 15th September. (Taking two bags of donations to the Foodbank and helping to serve the hot lunch to the 120 guests!). The project is very well run supporting various vulnerable adults, some of which are ex-offenders, with opportunities to make contact with GPs, ask advice about welfare arrangements and to get basic supplies from the foodbank (which is open 3 times a week). They run a drugs programme/clinic in conjunction with BDAS. There is an opportunity for the guests to have a shower and get a fresh set of clothes.

Councillors and Heads of Service wishing to visit the scheme to see it in action would always be welcome. On average the guests use the Living Well project for a short period of time whilst they get themselves back on an even-keel. Some guests do try to stretch the service but it is run with a firm but kind hand and the project is not exploited and can therefore attend to those who need it most. This service provides a vital service for many ex-offenders.

Strategic Group Update

Dan Jones and other LBB colleagues met with DI Charlie Clare and Lucien Spencer of the CRC on the 11 September. Lucien confirmed that a Partnerships and Stakeholder Manager post is currently being recruited to and in time we will have a CRC rep dedicated to the partnerships across five boroughs, however, unfortunately CRC cannot commit to attending the SBP strategic group on a regular basis. Lucien reported that there are numerous opportunities for offenders to complete Community Service sentences in Bromley. It was confirmed that a CRC data package is being developed pan-London so that

each borough will have a data product available to them. This data product will not be able to have local priorities embedded into it, rather it will be a generic reporting template reported at borough level across London.

Figures for breaches/warnings on drug/alcohol treatment orders are proving difficult to access. The BDAS figures do not directly correlate to the IOM cohort so extrapolating the data is not a clear process. Figures are proving difficult to identify.

London CRC and London Probation have been given a 12 month deadline for Community Sentences to be completed. This will enable community payback in Bromley to be monitored much closer than has been possible for the past few years.

Action Plan Update

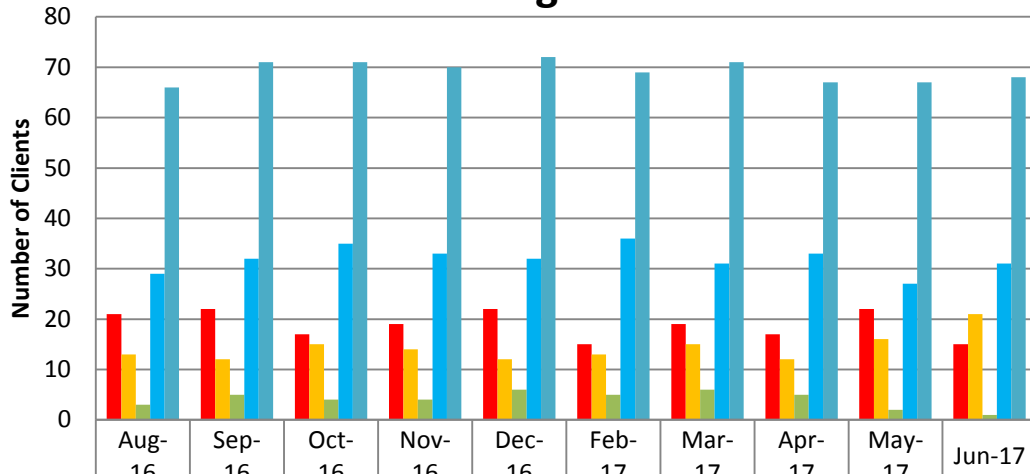
Unfortunately, the meeting with Betty McDonald regarding youth options with BlueSky's employment opportunities and youth community service did not take place and we are waiting for another opportunity to meet.

PC Jo Brown and PC Nik Alderson are both leaving the Police I.O.M. unit by the end of October – therefore the only remaining member of staff on the I.O.M. team will be PC Jeff Collins. Jo and Nik are fundamental to the organisation of the I.O.M. meetings in terms of agenda / case list and background information, an update on plans for this team has been requested from the Met Police..

Action for Safer Bromley Partnership

To note the report and the current numbers of clients and RAG ratings.

I.O.M. RAG Rating Levels



Red Rating	21	22	17	19	22	15	19	17	22	15
Amber Rating	13	12	15	14	12	13	15	12	16	21
Green Rating	3	5	4	4	6	5	6	5	2	1
Blue Rating	29	32	35	33	32	36	31	33	27	31
TOTAL	66	71	71	70	72	69	71	67	67	68

RED = Those offenders who have the highest risk of causing harm or re-offending . They are either not engaging, or are engaging and apparently compliant, but there remain serious concerns about their offending.

AMBER = Those offenders that are engaging and whose previous recent offending suggests that they have a high risk of causing harm or re-offending. These offenders want assistance to move away from a criminal lifestyle to a more law abiding one and need multi-agency interventions to motivate and maintain that change.

GREEN = Those offenders where there is little or no intelligence to indicate that they are committing offences. This will not only include offenders who were previously RED or AMBER and have responded positively to multi-agency interventions, but also those who did not engage where there are no longer concerns about their offending.

BLUE = In Custody