

Southend BID
Bi-Monthly Multi-Agency Town Centre Retail & Community Safety Meeting
December 2017
Community Safety Hub & Police

Attendee list

Alison Dewey – Southend BID
Jessica Lester – Southend BID
Sgt Ian Hughes – Essex Police
PC Martin Knights – Essex Police
Anita McGinley – South Essex Homes
Fay Kricha – Family Mosaic
Rob Carvosso – The Storehouse/Southend Vineyard
Stuart Wilkie – The Victoria Shopping Centre
Barry Davis – CCTV
Mark Horne – McDonald's
Faye Mead – Marks & Spencer
Vladislavs Grisins – O2
Kevin Harrison – Grosvenor Casino
Louise Whittle – Grosvenor Casino
Chris Morriss – Studio 9/Michael Roberts Wigs Centre
Garry Lowen – Gleneagles Guesthouse
Patrick Bourke – Stambridge Security
Michael Blackman – Stambridge Security

- The Post Office is an attraction for a new group of rough sleepers. Police have engaged with the individuals, directed them to the relevant services for assistance and cleared the area. The same persons returned soon after
- Funding has been sourced for extra policing – two police officers provided in town from 10am until 8pm every day. Not tasked with shoplifting but can assist
- Weekly strategic meeting taking place with the BID and partner agencies to discuss 7-day plans
- Daily briefing with police, Street Rangers, SMAART Team and other agencies still taking place every morning – sharing information on individuals and working together is vital. A forum for businesses to also join
- Retail Crime Officer PC James Brewer has been promoted – a replacement will not be made
- Number of offences – no change. Recent bulk theft in Boots a rarity
- Drinking on the High Street is only an offence if a Constable has instructed that a container be handed over or told to stop
- Prolific beggars – work is underway to obtain CBOs against a number of prolific individuals but process is lengthy
- Community Protection Warnings and Community Protection Notices (if a notice is breached, court is the next step) are given to allow restrictions on individual's activity. Services then have an opportunity to engage to support their complex needs. In court, we can show if this is unsuccessful which builds a strong case for Community Protection Order application – a system that is not being used elsewhere
- CBOs involve positive requirements which means individuals must engage with specific services
- 15 CBOs are currently in place – to be publicised. 5 youth CBOs have been obtained (max. 12 months)
- Public education needs to take place – the BID to work on multi-agency campaign. Vast majority of individuals are housed or have been approached by services. Those on the High Street not engaging are causing anti-social behaviour
- The BID will also look into short term solutions – Post Office recess boarding and secured market stalls underneath railway bridge. Alison Dewey to contact the Post Office's owner to secure permission. Street Rangers will continue to move on individuals and carry out measures within our powers
- Essex Police receive 1200 calls a day and deal with half – lack of resource

- Consistent pressure needs to be applied to individuals to gain required support
- MPs/Councillors to possibly attend this meeting – Alison Dewey to action
- Post Office coat distribution - Alison Dewey and Anita McGinley to contact Laura Gibson to advise
- South Essex Homes' Anita McGinley deals with anti-social behaviour across the borough - High Street is main focus. Working alongside commissioned services ([Family Mosaic](#), [Southend Vineyard/Storehouse](#)) to assist those most vulnerable, in addition to outreach patrols which are very important. Reports are provided to the Council
- Any information provided by businesses or Street Rangers is very important for evidence to help secure a CBO. In court, a statement of impact on the community is very valuable so please share – Alison Dewey can pass on to Anita or police
- Please also record information on the DISC system consistently and add a separate log of each incident. Contact Southend BID if access is required. Plus – use of a Town Link radio which can lead to arrests
- Rough sleeping intel can be fed directly to Family Mosaic via www.streetlink.org.uk. Alternatively, contact Fay Kricha on 079512 64369 or fay.kricha@familymosaic.co.uk
- Leather Lane back alley public highway – Alison Dewey to contact the Council/Veolia for a potential daily clean up
- Winter Night Shelters now in operation
- CCTV upgrade – 32 new locations identified. For control room visits, contact Barry Davis on 01702 212 066 or barrydavis@southend.gov.uk

Next meeting: Tuesday 30th January 2018 at The Royal Hotel

We welcome your comments and suggestions. Please email hello@southendbid.com