

Report to: **Overview and Scrutiny Panel**
Date: **3 November 2016**
Title: **Community Safety Partnership**
Portfolio Area: **Customer First**
Wards Affected: **All**

Relevant Scrutiny Committee: N/A

Urgent Decision: **N** Approval and clearance obtained: **Y / N**

Date next steps can be taken:
(e.g. referral on of recommendation or implementation of substantive decision)

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RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That Members note the report**
- 2. That Members identify any issues to be raised at the next Community Safety Partnership meeting**

1. Executive summary

The purpose of this report is to provide Members with the opportunity to scrutinise the work of the Community Safety Partnership (CSP) as defined by Sections 19 and 20 of the Police and Justice Act 2006 and the Crime and Disorder (Overview & Scrutiny) Regulations 2009.

2. Background

South Devon and Dartmoor CSP operates across Teignbridge, South Hams and West Devon and is a statutory partnership.

3. Outcomes/outputs

The CSP is intelligence led and delivers in the context of the Devon Strategic Assessment and also the Police and Crime Plan that is owned by the Police and Crime Commissioner. The CSP is focussing on the most vulnerable within our community who are affected by crime and ASB. The CSP works collaboratively across Devon to tackle issues such as child sexual exploitation, modern slavery, drug misuse, prejudice related crime, preventing violent extremism and domestic violence and abuse.

In 2015/16 the CSP received a £20,000 grant of Safer Communities funding from the PCC via the Safer Devon Partnership. For 2016/17 this grant will be for £19,000.

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

Achievements across South Devon and Dartmoor

- Vulnerability events – more than 140 attendees over two events which included inputs on CSE, DVA, Immigration, Veterans, Alcohol and Modern Slavery with very positive evaluations provided.
- DVA Survivors – 20 Carbon Monoxide detectors were sourced and 110 alarms purchased for distribution via the MARAC process and Fire Home Safety checks
- Veterans – Following links made at the Vulnerability events, Veterans service has developed working links with both HMP Dartmoor and HMP Channings Wood.
- DVA Campaigns – Supported Devon wide campaigns by distributing resources to partners
- Sexting – workshops piloted within secondary schools to target at risk young people.
- New Psychoactive Substances – Three training sessions delivered in October and November
- Honest Truth – Charity continues to develop and is now delivering in 18 Counties of the UK. Paignton Zoo event saw 2,500 spoken to about road safety. Has received nearly 45,000 visits to the website and more than 3,000 road safety pledges

- Last Order alcohol theatre production – Delivery in Ivybridge, Kingsbridge, South Dartmoor Community College, Tavistock, Okehampton, Dawlish and Teignmouth
- Mental Health Bitesize training – four bitesize training sessions were delivered to delegates from a range of frontline agencies
- Mental Health toolkit – Supported development of the toolkit with promotion materials created and distributed to partner agencies
- Name that tag – Four posters showing prolific graffiti produced to identify perpetrators
- Phoenix delivery - Three Phoenix programmes were run for ASB perpetrators seeing 36 young people from Ivybridge, Newton Abbot and Tavistock address the behaviour and learn positive new skills
- Social Media – Account now established for the CSP with 418 Twitter followers and 88 Facebook likes
- Prevent – contributed to Devon delivery plan
- Understanding Islam training – 350 delegates attended the training
- Chelsea’s Choice – 2,300 year 8 students to see a theatre production and follow up workshops on child sexual exploitation
- CSE training sessions – 13 sessions delivered by Barnado’s funded by the Devon Children Safeguarding Board, facilitated by the CSP with frontline staff from a wide range of agencies

Achievements in South Hams

- Facilitated training on safeguarding and child sexual exploitation to taxi drivers
- Chelsea’s Choice - 610 Year 8 students have seen a theatre production and follow up workshops on child sexual exploitation through work with Kingsbridge, King Edward VI College and Dartmouth Academy.
- Phoenix project delivery – programme ran in Ivybridge with 12 students, this had excellent media coverage and the Mayor of Ivybridge attended the passing out parade.

Achievements in ASB

- A great success for South Hams is the continued multi-agency working. ASB meetings to discuss individuals causing ASB occur monthly in both areas. Both meetings have representatives from Police, Social Landlords, YOT and

Education. It is a result of these multi-agency meeting, the realisation that no one agency can resolve issues of anti-social behaviour which has resulted in referral reducing from 142 in 2014/15 to 84 in 2015/16. The biggest reduction was the referrals from the Police in 2014/15 there were 71 from the Police in South Hams. In 2015/16 this was reduced to 14 in South Hams.

- An excellent example of multi-agency working occurred in Dartmouth. There is 2 individuals living in separate properties although only a few hundred yards apart. One was a heavy drug user the other a suspected supplier. The drug user would visit her supplier and as a result anti-social behaviour occurred. Normal interventions failed to resolve the problem, both parties refused the offer of help in relation to their drug use. As a result a Criminal Behaviour Order (CBO) was sought in relation to the drug user who was the main cause of the ASB. The CBO restricted her from attending the other parties address with a positive requirement to engage with RISE in connection with her drug use. On conviction she was given a Conditional Discharge and the Court felt the CBO application disproportionate and refused it. While both parties are tenants of DCH, DCH decided to take out Injunctions against both parties. These injunctions have been granted with supporting evidence from the Police. South Hams District Council have also started a Noise Complaint against the female. Whilst there is frustration with the Justice System, positive action continues to resolve the issues.
- Mr X, a street drinker from Totnes was the cause of many incidents of ASB and crime. Despite attempts to control his behaviour he failed to engage with any agency. As a result following an arrest an application for a Criminal Behaviour Order (CBO) was made. Mr X decided to move to Cornwall. After detailed discussions with the local Totnes Policing team it was strongly felt that he would return after a short period. Therefore it was decided to pursue the CBO application. This involved John Ward attending Truro Magistrates Court. As a result the application was successful. Mr X has not returned to Totnes.

- Mr Y is known as the 'Swan Man.' He frequents the Tidal Road in Aveton Gifford where he would feed the swans. He became over protective of the swans and as a result was the cause of anti-social behaviour towards, dog walkers, horse riders and canoeists using the area. As a result the Police issued a Community Protection Notice (CPN) against Mr Y. The evidence supporting the application was provided by both the Police and SHDC. The CPN excluded him from the Tidal Road and a part of the River Avon. Mr Y decided to appeal the issue of the CPN. The Magistrates Court dismissed the appeal, but varied the CPN to last for 1 year only. The CPN has recently expired and Mr Y has returned to the area. At this time there has been no further issues.

4. Options available and consideration of risk

The CSP has adopted an intelligence led approach and is directed by the findings of the Peninsula Strategic Assessment. Each year a workshop is held including representatives from statutory partners to review the Strategic Assessment and agree the projects for the following year. Spend of budgets relates to those priorities agreed annually. Due to the nature of the work it is essential that responses are also made to emerging issues and threats such as child sexual exploitation or metal theft.

5. Proposed Way Forward

The main considerations for members include –

- The Chief Constable of Devon and Cornwall Police has a mission statement to detect and prevent crime; protect the vulnerable and reduce crime. This creates a clear focus on safeguarding. This approach is mirrored in the priorities of the CSP.
- The CSP will continue to engage all statutory partners in the development of the Local Delivery Plan which sets out the work of the CSP directed by the Peninsula Strategic Assessment.

6. Implications

Implications	Relevant to proposals Y/N	Details and proposed measures to address						
Legal/Governance		<p>The CSP works under several sections of legislation including –</p> <p>Crime and Disorder Act 1998 Police Reform Act 2002 Anti-Social Behaviour Act 2003 Police and Justice Act 2006 Policing and Crime Act 2009 Section 9 of the Domestic Violence, Crime and Victims Act (2004). Anti-Social Behaviour , Crime & Policing Act 2014</p>						
Financial		<p>2015/6 income to the CSP included a £20,000 grant of Safer Communities funding from the PCC via the Safer Devon Partnership and contributions from agencies and income to support specific projects.</p> <p>South Hams District Council costs for 2015/16:</p> <table> <tr> <td>Officer time</td> <td>£25,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Support services (includes HE, Finance etc</td> <td>£13,437</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total contribution</td> <td>£38,437</td> </tr> </table>	Officer time	£25,000	Support services (includes HE, Finance etc	£13,437	Total contribution	£38,437
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Risk		The report is for information and as such there is no risk associated with decisions to set out.						
Comprehensive Impact Assessment Implications								
Equality and Diversity		The CSP addresses issues including hate crime and specific crimes relating to vulnerable members of the community such as distraction burglary.						
Safeguarding		CSP staff engage in a number of safeguarding forums and promote effective safeguarding practice in their work. This links to internal Council safeguarding.						
Community Safety, Crime and Disorder		The report details the many implications on Community Safety of West Devon engagement in the CSP.						
Health, Safety and Wellbeing		The CSP works closely with public health and other partners on health and wellbeing issues including alcohol and licensing.						
Other implications								