

TEIGNBRIDGE DISTRICT COUNCIL

OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

CHAIRMAN: Cllr Mike Haines

PORTFOLIO-HOLDER: Cllr Sylvia Russell

DATE: 20 November 2017

REPORT OF: Senior Community Safety Officer and Portfolio Holder for Environment

SUBJECT: Community Safety Partnership

PART I

RECOMMENDATION

The Committee is recommended to note this report.

1. PURPOSE

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. MAIN IMPLICATIONS

The CSP continues to focus on the most vulnerable within our community in response to information provided by the Devon Strategic Assessment and of course any emerging threats or risks. The CSP works collaboratively across Devon and the Peninsula to tackle issues such as child sexual exploitation, modern slavery, drug misuse, prejudice related crime, preventing violent extremism and domestic violence and abuse.

In 2016/17 the CSP has received a £24,000 grant of Safer Communities funding from the PCC via the Safer Devon Partnership.

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4. KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

Achievements across South Devon and Dartmoor

- Phoenix courses to address ASB in young people delivered in Teignbridge in May 2016 and February 2017, In West Devon in February 2017 and South Hams in March 2017.
- Supported Domestic Homicide Review
- Provided Domestic Violence and Abuse services with personal attack alarms to be passed to those identified as vulnerable
- 9 Last Orders performance delivered in Schools across the area to address alcohol misuse
- Provision of ASB service across SDD which includes discussions about vulnerable adults as part of ASB meeting structure
- Use of Multi-Agency Response team approach around issues such as needle and drug paraphernalia finds in public toilets
- Continued close working with Integrated Offender Management
- Supported Be the Change to address reducing reoffending by contributing to volunteer training
- Extremely positive relationship developed with secondary schools in Teignbridge, West Devon and South Hams resulting in thematic meetings and work identified around drug misuse
- Continued development of relationship with Care Homes for looked after Children around community safety issues
- Promotion of materials for Safer Internet Day to 139 schools
- Child Sexual Exploitation training delivered to 10 staff from fairgrounds
- Training on Child Sexual Exploitation delivered to Taxi Drivers
- Facilitated Barnados training to hotels and other high risk sectors with 35 delegates attending
- Facilitated delivery of 10 Chelsea's Choice performances to raise awareness of CSE
- Engagement in Operation Hunstman to address Modern Slavery
- Promotion of Mental health toolkit
- Forum event with 80 delegates showcasing the work of the CSP
- Carers 4 Dementia sessions established as a pilot in Teignbridge Council
- Engagement with Operation Venus to address use of Psychoactive Substances and drug misuse
- Engagement in the Devon and Torbay Prevent Partnership
- Supported development and contributed to development of the Be Curious campaign and distributed the campaign when finished
- Purchase of educational resources to enhance delivery regarding alcohol misuse in schools
- 3 Substance misuse training days delivered by YSmart

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- Supported the development of the Chelsea's Choice initiative in partnership across Devon
- Supported Devon wide work on raising awareness for those on the autism spectrum relating to community safety issues
- 6 Drink Wise Age Well courses were delivered across SDD with 117 professional trained
- Development of a sub group on County lines dangerous drugs networks

Achievements in Teignbridge

- Excellent information sharing continues with Housing, Legal, Environmental Health and other Teignbridge departments
- Close working with Teignbridge Secondary schools to address and raise awareness of community safety issues. This model is seen as best practice
- Facilitated regular multi agency licensing discussions to identify locations of concerns and ensure a joined up approach
- Supporting the development of Newton Abbot becoming a dementia Friendly town

Achievements in ASB

- Securing unoccupied buildings in Teignbridge. They have proved to be a honeypot for ASB and rough sleeping. We have worked closely with site owners, police, developers, housing, planning and building control to install robust security measures to keep out trespassers.
- Closure order granted for an address in Dawlish. Worked with police and the local community to evidence criminality and anti-social behaviour. The closure order was granted on a residential property to restrict named individuals from entering. The owner and others unconnected to the ASB were allowed to remain.
- We have established a new multi-agency process where regular meetings take place with housing outreach workers, Rise recovery staff, housing and the police to discuss homelessness in Teignbridge. It is successful in sharing risk information and to agree strategies to best support people back into housing and reduce incidents of ASB.
- Co-ordinating multi agency activity to address criminality and ASB taking place in and around a hotel in Teignmouth. A complex case requiring activity from police, fire, adult social care, health services, drug and alcohol services, environmental health, food safety and licensing. A closure order was in the process of being made when the owner was arrested for serious criminal offences and remanded in custody.

5. GROUPS TO BE CONSULTED
None

6. WITNESSES TO BE CALLED
None

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7. TIME-SCALE

Any comments from the Overview and Scrutiny Committee will be reported to the next Community Safety Partnership meeting.

8. CONCLUSION

This report summarises the work of the Community Safety Partnership over the past twelve months.

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Wards affected	All
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Background Papers (For Part I reports only)	Local Delivery Plan if requested
Key Decision	N
In Forward Plan	N
In O&S Work Programme	Y
Community Impact Assessment attached:	Y / N N/A