AGENDA

KENT COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP

Wednesday, 21st March, 2018, at 10.00 am Ask for: Joel Cook/ Anna Taylor

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Tea/Coffee will be available 15 minutes before the meeting.

UNRESTRICTED ITEMS

(During these items the meeting is likely to be open to the public)

A. Committee Business

- A1 Apologies
- A2 Declarations of Interest
- A3 Notes of meeting held on 11 October 2017 (Pages 3 8)

B. Matters for Discussion

- B1 Kent Community Safety Agreement Review (Pages 9 36)
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- B3 Domestic Abuse Updates (Verbal)
 - Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Executive Group
 - Integrated Domestic Abuse Services Commissioning Update
- B4 Kent and Medway Road Casualty Reduction Partnership (Pages 41 44)
- B5 Mental Health and Policing Oversight Board Update (Verbal)
- B6 Kent Community Safety Team Update (Verbal)
- B7 Kent and Medway Gangs Strategy (to follow)

C. Matters for Information

C1 Date of next meeting

The next meeting of the Kent Community Safety Partnership will be held on 18 July 2018, 10am, Darent Room, Sessions House, Maidstone.

D -RESTRICTED ITEM(S)

Meeting not open to the press and public and reports not for publication

- D1 The PREVENT Duty and Home Office Dovetail Pilot
- D2 Domestic Homicide Reviews (DHRs) update

Tuesday, 13 March 2018

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL

KENT COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP

NOTES of a meeting of the Kent Community Safety Partnership held in the Darent Room, Sessions House, County Hall, Maidstone on Wednesday, 11 October 2017.

PRESENT: Mr P M Hill, OBE (Chairman), Mr Rivers (Vice-Chairman), Ms C Allen, Mrs V Coffey, Ch Insp T Cook, Ms A Gardner, Cllr A Gulvin, Mr A Harper, Ms K Hickey, Cllr J Knight, Ms N Liddiard, Ms J Mookherjee, Ms H Morris, Mr M Overbeke, Mr S Peerbux, Mr G Slattery, Mr N Wilkinson, Mr T England, Mr I Thomson

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs A Taylor (Scrutiny Research Officer)

UNRESTRICTED ITEMS

161. Notes of meeting held on 19 July 2017 (Item A3)

RESOLVED that the notes of the meeting held on 19 July 2017 were a correct record and that they be signed by the Chairman.

162. Kent Community Safety Agreement Update (*Item B1*)

- Mr Peerbux explained that the Community Safety Agreement (CSA) was now a rolling document that would be reviewed and refreshed if necessary annually along with the associated CSA Action Plan.
- Partners had been progressing the actions within the CSA Action Plan and two actions had been completed following the delivery of the Anti-Social Behaviour and Road Safety data workshops.
- 3. There were a number of ongoing actions including delivery of the Domestic Homicide Review (DHR) Seminars that were planned for the next few months and campaigns for Safeguarding Adults and Hate Crime were being undertaken.
- 4. In addition to the action plan, performance indicators were also being monitored. These regularly highlighted domestic abuse and road safety and it was agreed that a paper from the Road Casualty Reduction Board would be presented to the next meeting of the Kent Community Safety Partnership (KCSP). It was also suggested that there should be a report back on the effects of the domestic abuse commissioning process at the next meeting of the KCSP.
- 5. Chief Inspector Tim Cook updated Members on their ongoing work to ensure data integrity was as it should be and that crimes were appropriately recorded and investigated.
- 6. The District/Borough strategic assessments would form part of the Community Safety Agreement review and refresh in the New Year, alongside using the MoRiLe risk assessment and looking at emerging themes and priorities. Details

of the strategic assessments and review of the CSA would be reported to the next meeting of the KCSP.

RESOLVED that the KCSP note the progress with regard to the current CSA and welcome the following reports back at the next meeting:

- Paper from Road Casualty Reduction Board
- Effects of the domestic abuse commissioning process
- CSA review and refresh

163. KCSP Working Group update (*Item B2*)

- 1. Mr Thomson introduced this report and advised that the KCSP Working Group Terms of Reference (ToR) had been amended to reflect changes to the KCSP ToR. Members were asked to approve the ToR.
- 2. Mr Peerbux confirmed that all the received suggestions for changes to the ToR had all been considered and included in the amended document as appropriate.
- 3. It was suggested that the safeguarding boards should be referenced. It was confirmed that this was referenced in the partnership's ToR and therefore the wording could be included within the Working Group's ToR.
- 4. Mr Thompson advised that the conference invited had been sent and members were asked to respond within the next couple of weeks.
- 5. Mr Thompson provided an update on the projects that had received KCSP funding including License to Kill which is now in its 10th year of running.
- 6. A Member highly recommended the Licence to Kill workshops. Mr Thompson explained that other areas were looking into using the workshop. The Chairman understood that it was more difficult to get into schools which were academies but head teachers conferences could be used to help spread messages and information. Nick Wilkinson confirmed that he would discuss this with colleagues on a safeguarding group.

RESOLVED that the KCSP note the progress and actions undertaken by the Working Group and approve the updated KCSP Working Group Terms of Reference with the additions made at the meeting.

164. Housing & Homelessness for CJS Service Users (*Item B3*)

- 1. Ms Gardner advised that the Kent and Medway Reducing Reoffending Board had commissioned this piece of work as it was recognised nationally that accommodation was a barrier to reducing reoffending and was also a challenge to working with criminal justice service (CJS) users. Until individuals had stable housing it was difficult to successfully deliver all the interventions required.
- 2. Ms Gardner consulted with partners involved in Integrated Offender Management (IOM) and these responses were incorporated in the report.

- 3. The report outlines the scale of the problem (section 2), barriers as well as some recommendations (page 25) and solutions for both local and national issues.
- 4. The groups had looked at the key barriers and what could be realistically achieved.
- 5. Some of the recommendations were more achievable than others. It was important to ensure that there was a joined up approach in Kent and Medway to approaching the accommodation crisis.
- 6. The Chairman commented that this was an important national problem; a consistent theme in reoffending was homelessness.
- 7. Mr Thomson commented that it was essential to link in with the fire service to ensure that there were suitable fire precautions and that the service was aware of the locations of any temporary accommodation in order to respond quickly in case of incident.
- 8. Members made the following comments
 - a. The number of rough sleepers, questions around the accuracy of the figures, many homeless people could be missed.
 - b. To what extent was this tied in with wider work done in Kent around homelessness?
 - c. This was a challenge for all of district councils in Kent.
- 9. The plan was to integrate some of the recommendations within existing work streams and to contribute to existing plans. This report was also being presented to the Kent Housing Group.
- 10. The Community Rehabilitation Company was committed to housing and Abbie was asked to be involved with their work to take forward some aspects.
- 11. Members also considered that rough sleeping was not only a housing issue but also a health issue with many individuals having a drug or alcohol problem. There were also issues with short service prisoners; there was no time or mechanism whilst in custody to deal with their issues.
- 12. It was suggested that Mel Anthony and Jess Mookherjee co-ordinated a small working group including Districts (Canterbury/Medway), CRC and Abbie Gardner to look at short term results and highlight any other relevant groups. The working group would report back to a future meeting of the KCSP.

RESOLVED that the KCSP thank Abbie Gardner for her excellent report and thank Jess Mookherjee who offered, with the assistance of KCC, to set up a small task and finish group and report back to a future meeting of the KCSP.

165. Public Protection Intelligence Team update (*Item B4*)

1. Natalie Liddiard, Intelligence and Standards Manager gave members a presentation on the work of the Public Protection Intelligence Team. The team

work with trading standards and with community wardens and pass intelligence which could then be shared with agencies.

- 2. Fly-tipping was a big issue in Kent and Medway; work had been done to bring partners together to tackle the problem. The Public Protection Intelligence Team worked on the preventative side, helping the enforcement team.
- 3. The Chairman asked if data was being shared with everyone who had interest in it. Natalie Liddiard explained that her team had a good relationship with Kent Police, she was confident that the right people were getting the right information.
- 4. In response to a question Ms Liddiard confirmed that her team was linked in with Country Eye and received 50+ intelligence reports per week and were also linked in the with Fire Service on a project by project basis.
- 5. The Public Protection Intelligence Team was considered to have excellent skills and expertise. KCC was a large organisation and it was a challenge to share as much information as possible.
- 6. Mr Peerbux explained to members that he and Natalie had had discussions around safeguarding and the Public Protection Intelligence Team was in its infancy. There were opportunities for further partnership working and the team could link in with officers at Medway Council.
- 7. The Chairman thanked Natalie Liddiard for her presentation, it was an important piece of work and members looked forward to seeing it develop.

RESOLVED that the Kent Community Safety Partnership thank Natalie Liddiard for her presentation and request an update at an appropriate time.

166. Mental Health update (*Item B5*)

- The Commissioner's Chief of Staff, Adrian Harper explained that the Commissioner was the Association of Police and Crime Commissioners' national lead for mental health. The PCC had a Mental Health and Policing Oversight Board which involved Kent Police, KMPT and the responsible officer from the CCG.
- 2. The Oversight Board would be reviewing the street triage pilots taking place in Medway and Thanet as referral numbers remained low. However those individuals visiting had serious issues and the pilot schemes had been effective in supporting them, Mr Harper considered this to be a valuable way forward.
- 3. The Police and Crime Act would result in young people with mental health difficulties not being held in police cells and adults only in exceptional circumstances (such as under permanent supervision). Discussions had been held regarding pathways but if places were not available the default position would be A&E.

4. Members commented that using A&E as the default position was concerning, Mr Harper confirmed that there had been a lot of discussions, currently there was no alternative and this would be used as a last resort.

RESOLVED that the KCSP thank Mr Harper for his interesting update and request a report back on the work of the Mental Health and Policing Oversight Board at a future meeting.

167. Kent Drug and Alcohol Services Commissioning update (*Item B6*)

- Ms Mookherjee outlined the commissioning arrangements for Drug and Alcohol services for adults in Kent.
- 2. A much stronger element in the commissioned service was 'Recovery Capital' to focus on what a service user needed to begin treatment and those aspects that were needed to maintain or build change.
- 3. The commissioned services for both East and West Kent had undergone a design process for the new services.
- 4. The young person's drug and alcohol service for ages 11- 18, with the flexibility to provide interventions for 18 24 year olds, was awaiting the awarding of the contract and this would be announced in due course.

RESOLVED that the KCSP note the Kent Drug and Alcohol Services Commissioning Update.

168. Date of next meeting

(Item C1)

RESOLVED that the KCSP note the date of the next meeting.

169. PREVENT and Counter Terrorism update (*Item D1*)

1. Mr Wilkinson gave members a presentation updating them on PREVENT and counter terrorism.

RESOLVED that members thank Mr Wilkinson for the PREVENT and Counter Terrorism Update and keep this as a standing item on the KCSP agenda.

170.Domestic Homicide Reviews (DHRs) - update (*Item D2*)

1. Mr Peerbux (Head of Community Safety, KCC) updated Members on the status of all the active Kent and Medway DHR cases and sought agreement from the partnership on the funding arrangements for undertaking DHRs.

RESOLVED that the KCSP notes the updates within the report and progress on all cases. The KCSP supports and endorses the proposed funding arrangements remain the same as current year for 2018/19.

171. Domestic Homicide Review briefing - Pauline 2016 (subject to Home Office Quality Assurance Panel approval) (Item D3)

1. Mr Rabey (Independent Chair) gave Members a briefing on DHR case Pauline/2016.

RESOLVED that the KCSP thank Mr Rabey for his briefing and note its contents.

By: Shafick Peerbux, Head of Community Safety, Kent County Council

To: Kent Community Safety Partnership – 21st March 2018

Classification: For Decision

Subject: Kent Community Safety Agreement Update

Summary

This report details the annual review of the Kent Community Safety Agreement, a proposed revision to the priorities for 2018/19 and provides an update on the current action plan.

1.0 Background

1.1 The Crime and Disorder Act 1998 gave statutory responsibility to local authorities (KCC/District/Boroughs), Kent Police and key partners to reduce crime and disorder in their communities. Under this legislation Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnerships (now Community Safety Partnerships) were required to carry out 3 yearly audits and to implement crime reduction strategies. A formal review of the 1998 Act took place in 2006, with the result that three year audits were replaced with annual partnership strategic assessments and rolling partnership plans, whilst in two tier authority areas a statutory County Community Safety Agreement was introduced.

2.0 Introduction

- 2.1 The Kent Community Safety Agreement (CSA) outlines the key community safety priorities for the county along with the cross-cutting themes that support the identified priorities. It is a rolling document which is reviewed and refreshed annually with the relevant Chapters and appendices being updated as required.
- 2.2 In the last review of the CSA which took place in March 2017 the 'Safeguarding' priority was expanded to 'Safeguarding Vulnerable People' whilst the cross-cutting themes were updated to reflect the changes to the priorities (see below). The current CSA took effect from April 2017.

Priorities

- Anti-Social Behaviour
- Domestic Abuse
- Substance Misuse
- Safeguarding Vulnerable People
- · Serious and Organised Crime
- Road Safety

Cross Cutting Themes

- Early intervention, prevention & education
- Reduce re-offending and support victims
- Improve quality of life and enhance community resilience
- 2.3 The following report details the latest review process that has been undertaken including the proposed refresh to the priorities and cross-cutting themes.

3.0 CSA Review Process

- 3.1 The review of the new Community Safety Agreement has taken into consideration the outcome of local district/borough strategic assessments, partnership plans, emerging issues, new legislation and the risk assessment matrix known as MoRiLE. Details of these elements are included in the draft refresh of the Community Safety Agreement attached (Appendix A).
- 3.2 Local district/borough Community Safety Partnerships (CSP) have undertaken their annual strategic assessments and are currently finalising their priorities and developing plans for 2018/19. Based on the draft priorities the following appear to be the top issues that are emerging either as a main priority, cross-cutting theme or as an issue within a broader theme:
 - Domestic Abuse
 - Safeguarding and Vulnerability
 - Anti-Social Behaviour
 - Serious and Organised Crime
 - Substance Misuse
 - Mental Health
 - Preventing Violent Extremism & Hate Crimes
 - Reducing Offending and Reoffending
- 3.3 Following last year's pilot of the MoRiLE risk assessment *matrix* (*Management of Risk in Law Enforcement*) the assessment tool has been updated and the new template has been used for this year's assessment. The assessment focuses on threat, risk and harm and as such the priorities ranked most highly tend to be those that cause the greatest harm to individuals and communities. The outcome from MoRiLE has been incorporated into the Community Safety Agreement to support the selection of priorities alongside the usual assessment tools.
- 3.4 Using PESTELO analysis members of the KCSP Working Group helped to identify upcoming events and existing or emerging issues and opportunities that may need to be considered. Many of the safeguarding issues which were identified previously such as preventing violent extremism, child sexual exploitation, modern slavery, online safety, looked after children etc. remain an area of focus and reflect the issues being identified within the legislation and partnership plans.
- 3.5 In addition to the above review of data and information, partnership plans and priorities are also taken into consideration in the development of the CSA including the recently refreshed Police and Crime Plan entitled 'Safer in Kent: The Community Safety and Criminal Justice Plan April 2017 to March 2021'. Many of these plans, including the district/borough strategic assessments, have identified priorities relating to supporting victims, vulnerable people and those with mental health concerns.

4.0 Proposed Updates

4.1 Details of the proposed changes are summarised in the version control within the attached draft CSA (see Appendix A), however the most significant updates are in the chapters covering achievements, county priorities and leads as well as the supporting appendices. Other elements of the agreement such as the original

- legislation which sets out the statutory requirements for CSPs and the governance arrangements etc. remain unchanged.
- 4.2 In the latest review it is clear that most of the current priorities remain a focus for partners and as such it is recommended that the existing priorities are retained within the CSA. However other focus areas such as preventing violent extremism and hate crime which were previously incorporated into the broader issue of 'Safeguarding Vulnerable People' have risen up the priority listing and therefore warrant becoming a priority in their own right. It is therefore recommended that a priority of 'Preventing Extremism and Hate' be included in the CSA from April 2018.
- 4.3 Whilst most of the current CSA priorities have been identified in the strategic assessments and community safety plans of local CSPs, 'Road Safety' has dropped down the list of priorities. This is not simply because it is no longer a concern but that local partnerships are limited in their ability to impact on this particular issue. At a county level road safety is still a focus for partners and as such it is recommended that it remain within the CSA but the KCSP is asked to note that the lead for this priority is the Kent and Medway Road Casualty Reduction Partnership.
- 4.4 The CSA also includes a number of cross-cutting themes to be addressed within each priority as appropriate. Although mental health is currently linked to safeguarding, vulnerability and resilience, given the clear concern from partners and the increased focus in recent years it is recommended that it should be added as a stand-alone theme entitled 'Support Mental Health Wellbeing'.

Priorities

- Anti-Social Behaviour
- Domestic Abuse
- Substance Misuse
- Safeguarding Vulnerable People
- Serious and Organised Crime
- Preventing Extremism and Hate
- Road Safety

Cross Cutting Themes

- Early intervention, prevention & education
- Reduce re-offending and support victims
- Improve quality of life and enhance community resilience
- Support mental health wellbeing
- 4.5 Alongside the update to the priorities, the leads who act as a champion for each focus area have been updated reflecting changes that have occurred during the last year. This includes the development of the new Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Executive Group, as well as the inclusion of a lead for the new proposed priority for 'Preventing extremism and hate'.
- 4.6 The diagram within the CSA has also been updated to reflect the changes above as well as the inclusion of the Chief Constable's priorities as detailed in the latest refresh of the Police and Crime Commissioner's Safer in Kent: The Community Safety and Criminal Justice Plan.

5.0 Equality Impact Assessment

As part of the CSA refresh the Equality Impact Assessment (EqIA) has been updated and partners on the KCSP Working Group have been consulted. The aim of the CSA is to make Kent's communities safer and stronger by bringing together partners from across the county to agree the key priorities and to develop joined-up

approaches. Whilst it is recognised that some people may be more vulnerable and at greater risk of becoming a victim, the CSA is intended to benefit all residents and as such it is not anticipated that any identified group should be adversely impacted by the CSA or the activities within the action plan.

5.2 The EqIA will be reviewed by KCC's Equality and Diversity Team to ensure all considerations have been made prior to sign-off.

6.0 CSA Action Plan and Achievements

- 6.1 Partners are continuing to work towards the activities identified in the current CSA action plan linking in with various organisations and multi-agency groups across the county to help tackle the identified priorities and themes. The KCSP Working Group which meets as a sub-group of the Kent Community Safety Partnership (KCSP) is monitoring the activities set out in the Action Plan and reviewed the latest update at their meeting in January 2018.
- 6.2 Key achievements for 2017/18 delivered by partners are outlined in Chapter 5 of the draft Community Safety Agreement as well as in other papers that will be presented at the meeting including:
 - Annual Community Safety Conference
 - Kent Community Safety Team
 - Domestic Homicide Reviews
 - Project Delivery
 - Information Sharing
 - Workshop Delivery
- 6.3 Following the refresh of the Community Safety Agreement and revision to the priorities and cross-cutting themes the action plan will also be reviewed and updated by the KCSP Working Group with the support of the Kent Community Safety Team.

7.0 Recommendations

- 7.1 The Kent Community Safety Partnership (KCSP) is asked to:
 - agree the priorities and cross-cutting themes within the attached draft refresh
 of the Community Safety Agreement subject to any additional partnership
 feedback; and
 - note the key achievements for 2017/18

Attachments:

Appendix A: Draft Refresh of Community Safety Agreement - April 2018

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Kent Community Safety Agreement



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Version Control

Version	Date	Changes
1.0	April 2017	New Kent Community Safety Agreement (CSA) – effective from April 2017
2.0	April 2018	Refreshed Kent Community Safety Agreement (CSA) - Updated document date to April 2018 - Ch.1 - reference added to 1.1 about version control - Ch.5 - achievements for 2017/18 added - Ch.6 - priorities/cross-cutting themes updated effective from April 2018, including refreshed diagram - Ch.7 - priority leads updated - Appendix A - strategic assessment outcomes updated - Appendix B - MoRiLE outcomes refreshed - Appendix C - refreshed horizon scanning - Appendix D - Police & Crime Plan details updated

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Foreword

As Chair of the Kent Community Safety Partnership (KCSP) I am pleased to present the new Kent Community Safety Agreement (CSA) which took effect from 1st April 2017.

The Community Safety Agreement sets out how partners in Kent will work together to address the key community safety priorities for the County, identifying the shared objectives and outcomes required to improve the lives of the people of Kent. Whilst enforcement of the law will always play a major part in community safety, much can be done to prevent problems before they arise and a great deal of effort is devoted to supporting and safeguarding vulnerable people and their families, tackling issues of substance misuse, improving road safety, enhancing quality of life and developing community resilience.

This agreement replaces the 2014-17 CSA which included an action plan to help tackle the key priorities for the County and I am pleased to say much progress has been made by partners over the last three years, including the joint commissioning of domestic abuse services across Kent which came into effect on 1st April 2017. The development of this new agreement and a refresh of the action plan will help to support and focus partner activities in addressing the key community safety issues identified in the latest review.

Since the last agreement there have been many changes in the world of community safety, however the challenging economic landscape remains an ongoing concern and all agencies and services are continuing to look at the opportunities this presents in applying new methods of service delivery and resourcing. In response to some of these challenges the KCSP supported the establishment of a joint Kent Community Safety Team (KCST), bringing together staff from Kent Police, Kent Fire and Rescue Service and Kent County Council to help promote closer and more joint working at a strategic level.

I would like to take this opportunity to recognise that the success of this agreement can only be achieved through the ongoing delivery of the associated action plans, which would not be possible without the considerable support of partner agencies at both district/borough and county level, as well as non-statutory organisations and the voluntary sector. I would therefore like to thank everyone involved for their efforts and for their continued support.

Mike Hill OBE
Chair Kent Community Safety Partnership
Cabinet Member for Community and Regulatory Services

1. Introduction

- 1.1. The Community Safety Agreement (CSA) outlines the key community safety priorities for Kent and replaces the previous agreement (2014-17) which expired on 31st March 2017. The CSA is reviewed and refreshed annually, so for details of the current version, effective date and changes to previous documents see version control (page 2).
- 1.2. The CSA is mandatory for two tier authorities such as Kent and helps us to meet our statutory duty under Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 (as amended by the Police and Justice Act 2006) in which responsible authorities are required to consider crime and disorder in the delivery of all their duties.
- 1.3. This agreement aims to develop a more joined-up approach to public service delivery, to enable more effective and co-ordinated strategic planning across partner agencies and to ensure sustainable and lasting improvements in delivering outcomes. It recognises that community safety issues do not always respect district boundaries, and that coordination of effort can lead to economies of scale, joined up working, and more effective outcomes.
- 1.4. The agreement also aims to deliver against the three countywide ambitions set out in the Vision for Kent 2012-22: to grow the economy; to tackle disadvantage; and to put citizens in control. These ambitions cannot be achieved without the commitment and contribution of all partners through their own delivery plans and strategies as well as multi-agency agreements such as the Kent Community Safety Agreement.
- 1.5. Whilst Medway Unitary Authority does not form part of this agreement, it does undertake a similar process, suitable for single tier authorities, which will include an annual strategic assessment of their community safety issues and production of a Community Safety Plan. Where appropriate, partners in Kent and Medway will work collaboratively to tackle common priorities.

2. Legislation

- 2.1. The Crime and Disorder Act 1998 gave statutory responsibility to local authorities, the police, and key partners to reduce crime and disorder in their communities. Under this legislation the responsible authorities commonly referred to now as Community Safety Partnerships (CSPs), were required to carry out three yearly audits and to implement crime reduction strategies.
- 2.2. The Police and Justice Act 2006 introduced scrutiny arrangements in the form of the Crime and Disorder Scrutiny Committee, as well as introducing a number of amendments to the 1998 Act including the addition of anti-social behaviour (ASB) and substance misuse within the remit of the CSP strategies. Reducing reoffending was subsequently added by the Policing and Crime Act 2009.
- 2.3. The Crime and Disorder (Formulation and Implementation of Strategy) Regulations 2007 set out further revisions to the 1998 Act, the most notable of which at district/borough level was the replacement of three yearly audits with an annual strategic assessment, triennial partnership plan and public consultations. For two tier authorities such as Kent, the statutory Community Safety Agreement was introduced.
- 2.4. The Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 introduced directly elected Police and Crime Commissioners (PCCs) to replace Police Authorities in England and Wales. This brought with it a requirement for the PCC to have regard to the priorities of the responsible authorities making up the CSPs and for those authorities to have regard to the police and crime objectives set out in the Police and Crime Plan. The legislation also brought with it a mutual duty for the PCC and the responsible authorities to act in co-operation with each other in exercising their respective functions.

3. Changes to the Community Safety Landscape

In recent years there have been many changes both nationally and locally that impact upon the work of partners involved in community safety.

Changes to Legislation

- 3.1. Domestic Homicide Reviews: The requirement for Community Safety Partnerships (CSPs) to conduct Domestic Homicide Reviews (DHR) came into effect on 13th April 2011 and in Kent and Medway it was agreed that these would be commissioned by the Kent Community Safety Partnership utilising pooled funding on behalf of the local CSPs including Medway CSP. The process is managed, coordinated and administered by KCC Community Safety working as part of the Kent Community Safety Team (KCST). The DHR process has been developed and enhanced since its introduction and continues to involve input from a wide variety of partners from across the county and beyond. Updated statutory guidance from the Home Office released in December 2016 strengthened the role of the CSP in the DHR process and brought in additional requirements in order to meet the required standard.
- 3.2. Anti-Social Behaviour: The new Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014, received royal assent on 13th March 2014. The Act introduced simpler more effective powers to tackle anti-social behaviour to provide better protection for victims and communities including a new Community Trigger and Community Remedy to give people a greater say in how agencies respond to complaints. Partners have been working together since the introduction of the legislation to effectively implement the changes across the county. Updated statutory guidance from the Home Office released in December 2017 has brought greater clarity around the use of the tools and powers introduced by the Act.
- 3.3. Safeguarding: Between 2015 and 2016 a number of new pieces of legislation were introduced to provide authorities with additional tools, powers and statutory duties to tackle community safety and safeguarding issues. The new legislation includes the Counter-Terrorism and Security Act 2015, Serious Crime Act 2015, Modern Slavery Act 2015 and Psychoactive Substances Act 2016. These pieces of legislation introduced a range of new duties including new reporting and referral mechanisms, staff awareness requirements and impacts on contract management, which need to be included in the everyday work of relevant organisations. This continues to be an evolving area of work.

4. Governance

4.1. The Kent Community Safety Partnership (KCSP) is responsible for the delivery of the Kent Community Safety Agreement priorities, with membership taken from senior officers across statutory partners (see below), local Community Safety Partnership (CSP) Chairs and the County Council portfolio holder.

The Responsible Authorities are:- Kent Police, District & Borough Councils, Kent County Council, Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs), Kent Fire & Rescue Service and Kent, Surrey and Sussex Community Rehabilitation Company

- 4.2. The KCSP is supported by a Working Group consisting of senior representatives from all the countywide statutory partners. In addition, the multi-agency Kent Community Safety Team (KCST) which is formed of staff from Police, Fire & Rescue and KCC helps support the work of both county and district partners.
- 4.3. The statutory partners aim to effectively and efficiently deliver the priorities outlined in this agreement and to comply with statutory responsibilities.
- 4.4. The Scrutiny Committee will also serve as the Crime and Disorder Committee as required and therefore will have a statutory responsibility to review and scrutinise delivery of the Community Safety Agreement.



5. Key Achievements

During 2017-18 the key priorities identified as those with the potential to benefit from being supported at a county level included Domestic Abuse, Substance Misuse, Safeguarding Vulnerable People, Serious & Organised Crime, Anti-Social Behaviour and Road Safety. The priorities were addressed through a rolling partnership action plan which outlines the key aims of the agreement and ensures a coordinated approach by linking into existing multi-agency partnership arrangements where possible. Progress made by partners is monitored and reported to the Kent Community Safety Partnership on a regular basis by members of the Working Group.

Some of the progress and key achievements include:

- Annual Conference: The Kent Community Safety Partnership (KCSP) has delivered an annual Community Safety Conference for the benefit of partners in Kent and Medway for a number of years with a different focus each year. The most recent conference was entitled: "Protecting Vulnerable People from Organised Crime" and took place at the Detling Showground on 7th November 2017 with approximately 200 delegates from partnership organisations in attendance. Based on input at the conference workshops and a subsequent survey partners are currently working on a number of recommendations to help address identified gaps and tackle the issues raised.
- The Kent Community Safety Team (KCST): A co-located multi-agency team comprising of staff from Kent Police, Kent Fire and Rescue Service and Kent County Council was established in September 2015. Throughout 2017/18 the team has continued to support the work of all three agencies as well as the KCSP by helping to jointly deliver projects and workshops. In addition following an internal audit the KCST partners have been working on the future development of the team to provide the necessary capacity and capability to address cross county community safety issues and deliver joint programmes of activity. Subject to agreement this will start to take effect in 2018/19.
- Domestic Homicide Reviews (DHRs): During 2017/18 the KCSP commissioned a number of new DHRs and published three completed reviews following quality assurance from the Home Office. The Kent Community Safety Team continues to manage the current caseload on behalf of the Community Safety Partnerships across Kent and Medway and these are at various stages of the DHR process. In addition to the reviews the KCST has delivered three successful DHR Lessons Learnt Seminars to over 300 frontline practitioners and professionals to share the learning from the reviews and inform future practices.

- Project Funding: In 2017/18 the KCSP used the community safety funding provided by the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) to fund a total of six projects focusing on a variety of topics. These included support to tackle scams through awareness campaigns and the purchase of equipment to filter nuisance calls; the Licence to Kill road safety roadshow; domestic abuse psychotherapeutic counselling for adolescents; online safety awareness training; and gangs training. The achievements and outcomes of these projects are monitored by the KCSP Working Group and reported back to the PCC.
- Information Sharing: The Kent Community Safety Team (KCST) continues to coordinate and source data, reports and information on a variety of issues to be shared with community safety partners across the County via the Safer Communities Portal. In addition, in 2017/18 the KCST developed a community safety newsletter including input from partners across the county to help share information, examples of best practice, good news stories and upcoming events.
- Workshops / Events: During 2017/18, in addition to the Online Safety Awareness sessions and DHR Lessons Learnt Seminars mentioned above, the Kent Community Safety Team (KCST) organised and delivered a number of workshops and events to support partnership delivery including Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) tools & powers training; Community Safety Information Sessions; and a one stop shop for Adult Safeguarding Awareness Week. In addition, Public Health secured funding for a range of projects as part of the multi-agency suicide prevention strategy including commissioning Suicide Awareness and Prevention workshops.
- Operations: During 2017/18 the Kent Community Safety Team with Kent Police taking the lead, has delivered numerous multi-agency operations across the county to tackle vulnerability and violence in the night time economy (NTE) with an additional focus on Human Trafficking, Modern Slavery and Child Sexual Exploitation.

Whilst the CSA action plan sets out how partners aim to address the overarching priorities across the county, each local CSP in Kent has their own community safety plan and associated initiatives aimed at tackling the most relevant issues for their residents.

County Priorities

- 6.1. To help identify the community safety priorities for Kent as well as the local district/borough partnerships a wide variety of datasets are sourced from partner agencies and analysed to ascertain the key issues. The review of data is complemented by other sources of information such as horizon scanning (including legislative changes) and partnership plans etc. which all help to identify and formulate the priorities for the forthcoming year.
- 6.2. At a local level, the eleven Community Safety Partnerships (CSPs) across Kent undertake an annual strategic assessment process to identify the priorities for their own district/borough community safety plans. The outcomes of these assessments for the new financial year are shown in the appendix and have been incorporated into the review of the priorities for the Community Safety Agreement (CSA).
- 6.3. In 2016-17 a pilot was undertaken by several of the district/borough CSPs as well as the Kent Community Safety Team (KCST) to trial the use of the MoRiLE (Management of Risk in Law Enforcement) scoring matrix as part of the assessment process. The matrix helped partners to rank specific issues based on threat, risk and harm and to support the selection of the priorities within the local assessments and the Community Safety Agreement. In 2017-18 this has been refreshed for the County CSA. Further details are provided in the appendix.
- 6.4. In recent years the priorities and themes within the Community Safety Agreement (CSA) have developed from more crime and disorder based priorities to incorporate a wider range of issues. These include a number of safeguarding issues and new duties such as preventing violent extremism, hate crime, gangs, organised crime groups, child sexual exploitation, modern slavery, online safety, cybercrime, mental health, vulnerable people, victims etc. Many of which were incorporated into the broader themes identified in the April 2017 CSA of 'Safeguarding Vulnerable People' and 'Serious and Organised Crime' and were also reflected in the priorities identified by the local community safety partnerships.
- 6.5. Following the review in early 2018 it has become evident that preventing violent extremism along with hate crime has risen up the priority listings and warrants being a priority in its own right 'Preventing Extremism and Hate'. In the same 2018 review the profile of Road Safety has dropped at a local level but remains an issue for county partners and is being addressed by the multi-agency Road Casualty Reduction Partnership (RCRP). It therefore would be beneficial to

remain a focus area within the CSA but to note that this priority will be led by the RCRP.

6.6 In addition to the priorities, the CSA also includes a number of cross-cutting themes to be addressed within each priority as appropriate. Following the 2018 review, although mental health is currently linked to safeguarding, vulnerability, resilience etc. given the increased focus from partners it is recommended it should be added as a stand-alone cross-cutting theme - 'Support Mental Health Wellbeing'. The combination of priorities and themes identified within the CSA highlights the need for community safety partners to support and safeguard the most vulnerable members of society across a variety of issues.



- 6.7 The diagram above not only includes the priorities and cross-cutting themes for the Community Safety Agreement but also shows those identified in the latest update of the Police and Crime Commissioner's Safer in Kent Plan 2017-21, reflecting the mutual need for CSPs and the PCC to have due regard for each other's priorities.
- 6.8 Several of the identified priorities already have existing multi-agency partnership arrangements in place that are ensuring a coordinated approach across organisations at a strategic level. Including groups such as the *Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Executive Group; Domestic Homicide Review Steering Group; Road Casualty Reduction Partnership; Kent Safeguarding Children Board; Kent & Medway Safeguarding Adults Board; Risks, Threats & Vulnerabilities Group; Prevent Duty Delivery Board; Channel Panel; Hate Crime Forum; Kent & Medway Reducing Offending Board; etc.*
- 6.9 These multi-agency partnerships can be further enhanced with links to the Kent Community Safety Agreement and where necessary suitable co-operative arrangements and joint interventions can be established to deliver shared priorities or issues.

Note:

- Safeguarding Vulnerable People includes: Child Sexual Exploitation, Scams, Cybercrime, Victims, Vulnerable People at Risk of Exploitation
- Serious and Organised Crime includes: Organised Crime Groups (OCGs), Gangs, Modern Slavery / Human Trafficking
- Preventing Extremism & Hate includes: *Preventing Violent Extremism, Counter-Terrorism, Hate Crimes*

7. Leads

Lead officers for each of the priorities have been identified below and have the responsibility for developing, with partners, the action plans to address the countywide priorities. The leads will also act as a champion for the designated priority and provide regular progress updates for the Kent Community Safety Partnership (KCSP) and Scrutiny Committee as required.

Priority	Lead	
Domestic Abuse	Chair of Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Executive Group	
Anti-social Behaviour	Head of Public Protection and Partnership Command, Kent Police	
Substance Misuse	Consultant in Public Health, Kent County Council	
Serious and Organised Crime	Head of Public Protection and Partnership Command, Kent Police	
Safeguarding Vulnerable People	Group Head of Public Protection, Kent County Council	
Road Safety	Director Operations, Kent Fire and Rescue Service; and Head of Transportation, Kent County Council	
Preventing Extremism and Hate	Prevent and Channel Strategic Manager, Kent County Council	

8. Links to Plans

The priorities set out in this Community Safety Agreement link to, and assist in the achievement of a number of national and local partnership plans and strategies including:

- Vision for Kent
- Safer in Kent: the Community Safety and Criminal Justice Plan
- Local Community Safety Partnership (CSP) Community Safety Plans
- Kent and Medway Domestic Abuse Strategy
- Kent Drug and Alcohol Strategy
- KCC Framework for Community Safety
- Kent Fire and Rescue Service Corporate and Customer Plan
- Kent Criminal Justice Board Strategic Plan
- Kent and Medway Strategic Plan for Reducing Reoffending
- Medway Community Safety Plan
- Road Casualty Reduction Strategy for Kent
- Kent and Medway Safeguarding Adults Board Strategic Plan
- Kent Safeguarding Children Board Children and Young People Strategy
- Prevent Duty Delivery Board Action Plan
- Kent County Council's Strategic Statement 2015 2020: Increasing Opportunities, Improving Outcomes
- Kent Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy

9. Responsible Authorities

This agreement has been drawn up on behalf of the Partners of the Kent Community Safety Partnership and in association with the Office of the Kent Police and Crime Commissioner:-

- Kent Police
- Kent Fire and Rescue Service (KFRS)
- Kent County Council
- Local District/Borough Authorities
- Local Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs)
- Kent, Surrey and Sussex Community Rehabilitation Company (KSS CRC)
- Local District/Borough Community Safety Partnerships

Appendix A: Strategic Assessments (2018-19)

Local Community Safety Partnership (CSP) strategic assessments:

All statutory partners including Police, Fire and Rescue, Health, Probation, County Council services, Local Authority services provided community safety information for use by the eleven Community Safety Partnerships (CSPs) in Kent during the strategic assessment process to help determine their key priorities.

The following table shows the outcome of the local assessments completed in late 2017 - early 2018, with the key issues identified locally either as a main priority, cross-cutting theme or as part of a broader theme:-

Priority	No. of CSPs identifying these issues
Domestic Abuse	10
Safeguarding and Vulnerability (including child sexual exploitation, vulnerable people, victims)	10
ASB/Environmental	10
Serious and Organised Crime (including gangs, organised crime groups, modern slavery)	8
Substance Misuse	8
Mental Health	7
Extremism & Hate (including preventing violent extremism, counter-terrorism & hate crimes)	7
Reducing Offending and Reoffending	7
Crime (inc. acquisitive, property & rural crime)	4
Community Confidence (quality of life, cohesion, resilience, reassurance)	4
Road Safety	3

Other focus areas identified by districts/boroughs include: health & wellbeing, troubled families, young people's services, preventing fires, communication and information sharing etc.

Appendix B: MoRiLE Assessment (2017-18)

In 2016-17 the Kent Community Safety Team (KCST) facilitated a pilot with six district/borough community safety units in Kent to trial the use of the MoRiLE (Management of Risk in Law Enforcement) scoring matrix within the local strategic assessments. The aim of MoRiLE is to enable specific issues to be ranked based on threat, risk and harm and to help target resources at those which have the greatest impact on individuals and communities not just those with the greatest volume of incidents.

At that time a national pilot was also in progress, which Kent participated in, to look at whether MoRiLE which was originally developed for use by law enforcement agencies could be adapted to the needs of multi-agency community safety partnerships (CSPs). In 2016/17 many of the districts/boroughs involved in the Kent pilot incorporated the methodology and outcomes within their strategic assessments to support the identification of local priorities. It should be noted that MoRiLE is not the only element used to identify priorities the assessment also takes into consideration resident's views, partner priorities, new legislation, emerging issues etc.

An updated MoRiLE assessment matrix was developed by the national pilot in 2017 and has been used to inform the latest CSA refresh. The assessment looked at approximately 20 different elements of community safety from modern slavery to vehicle crime. The issues that caused the greatest harm and risk resulting in the highest overall score, unsurprisingly issues such as child sexual exploitation and modern slavery appear high in the rankings:

Priority

Modern Slavery PREVENT

Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE)

Domestic Abuse

Gangs

Organised Crime Groups (OCGs)

Priority

Mental Health Violent Crime

Anti-Social Behaviour

Cyber Crime Criminal Damage

Hate Crime / Road Safety

Whilst the outcome from the MoRiLE assessment provides a list of priorities based on threat, risk and harm it is not used in isolation but is combined with the outcomes from the district strategic assessments, horizon scanning etc. As such the priorities identified within the CSA may not fully replicate the above listing however most if not all of the issues identified within MoRiLE do form part of the CSA priorities and cross-cutting themes.

Appendix C: Horizon Scanning (2017-18)

Using PESTELO analysis members of the Kent Community Safety Partnership (KCSP) Working Group helped to identify existing and future issues that could impact on communities and may need to be considered as part of community safety plans.

Political:-

- Government triggered Article 50 with Brexit completion due March 2019;
- Local council elections (Maidstone, & Tunbridge Wells) in May 2018.

Economic:-

- Impact of Brexit on the economy;
- Public sector budget cuts;
- Commissioning of services and securing new funding sources;
- · Roll out of Universal Credit;
- Increased minimum wage;
- Housing and infrastructure development.

Social / Demographic:-

Many issues identified relate to safeguarding and supporting the most vulnerable members of society including:

- domestic abuse;
- preventing violent extremism;
- child sexual exploitation;
- human trafficking/modern slavery;
- unaccompanied asylum seeking children and looked after children;
- organised crime groups;
- urbanised street gangs;
- psychoactive substances;
- hate crime;
- mental health (including dementia);
- ageing population;
- social isolation.

Technological:-

- Cyber-crime and cyber-enabled crime;
- Online safety;
- Increased availability and use.

Environmental (and Geographical):-

- New or potential developments i.e.
 North Kent Development, New Dartford Crossing;
- Extreme weather events, i.e. flooding / drought.

Legislation:-

Recently enacted legislation has introduced a number of statutory duties and opportunities including:

- Offender Rehabilitation Act 2014;
- Counter-terrorism and Security Act 2015;
- Modern Slavery Act 2015;
- Serious Crime Act 2015;
- Psychoactive Substances Act 2016;
- Cities and Local Government Devolution Act 2016:
- Policing and Crime Act 2017;
- Homelessness Reduction Act 2017;
- General Data Protection Regulation.

Organisational:-

- Public sector restructures
- New ways of working (i.e. service commissioning, multi-agency hubs);
- Increased collaboration between emergency services;
- Increased support from volunteers.

Appendix D: Police & Crime Plan (2017-2021)

The Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 introduced directly elected Police and Crime Commissioners (PCCs) to replace Police Authorities in England and Wales. Under this legislation, the PCC is required to produce a Police and Crime Plan that sets out the vision and priorities for policing and community safety, as well as the objectives and ambitions that the Police will be held to account on. The legislation also includes a requirement for the responsible authorities making up the CSPs to have regard to the objectives set out in the Police and Crime Plan as well as a mutual duty to act in co-operation with each other in exercising their respective functions.

The following is an extract from the Police and Crime Plan entitled 'Safer in Kent: The Community Safety and Criminal Justice Plan 2017-2021' (spring 2018 version).

The guiding principles of the plan are:

- People suffering mental ill health need the right care from the right person
- Crime is important no matter where it takes place
- Vulnerable people must be protected from harm

The Chief Constable's priorities are to:

- 1. Put victims first
- 2. Fight crime and antisocial behaviour
- 3. Tackle abuse, exploitation and violence
- 4. Combat organised crime and gangs
- 5. Provide visible neighbourhood policing and effective roads policing
- 6. Deliver an efficient and accessible service

The Police and Crime Commissioner will:

- 1. Hold the Chief Constable to account for the delivery of Kent Police's priorities
- 2. Enhance services for victims of crime and abuse
- 3. Commission services that reduce pressure on policing due to mental health
- 4. Invest in schemes that make people safer and reduce re-offending
- 5. Make offenders pay for the harm that they have caused
- 6. Actively engage with residents in Kent and Medway

The Police and Crime Plan priorities included in the diagram on p.12 of the Community Safety Agreement are a combination of the above objectives which CSPs have been asked to reflect within their local delivery plans.





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Subject: Kent Community Safety Partnership Working Group Update

Summary This report provides an update on the key activities and projects being

managed on behalf of the Kent Community Safety Partnership by the Working

Group.

1.0 Background / Introduction

1.1 The Crime and Disorder Act 1998 gave statutory responsibility to local authorities, the police, and key partners to reduce crime and disorder in their communities. Under this legislation the responsible authorities were required to form multi-agency 'Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnerships' to undertake this activity. Subsequent revisions introduced additional responsibilities to tackle anti-social behaviour, substance misuse and reduce reoffending and the partnerships were renamed Community Safety Partnerships (CSPs).

1.2 The Kent Community Safety Partnership (KCSP) operates at a County level with the overarching purpose to manage the Kent Community Safety Agreement (CSA) on behalf of the responsible authorities in Kent and to deliver safer and stronger communities. The KCSP is supported by a multi-agency working group which has a particular remit to prepare and monitor the Community Safety Agreement including the action plan and performance reports, as well as managing the Kent Community Safety fund on behalf of the governing group.

2.0 Annual Community Safety Conference

- 2.1 The KCSP has delivered an annual Community Safety Conference for the benefit of partners across the county for a number of years with a different focus each year. This year's theme was 'Protecting Vulnerable People from Organised Crime'. It was held on Tuesday 7th November 2017 at Detling Showground for the first time with approximately 200 people in attendance.
- 2.2 The day included talks on a variety of topics looking at the impact of organised crime groups on vulnerable people, including a national perspective on tackling vulnerabilities delivered by the National Crime Agency; modern day slavery; mental health; operation willow which focuses on child sexual exploitation; partnership working and the emotional impact of crime. In addition, there were marketplace and networking opportunities, as well roundtable discussions/interactive exercises to look at how partners can organise themselves to deal with these issues.

- 2.3 Feedback from discussions undertaken on the day, supported by a follow up survey, were collated into a report and the recommendations detailed within it covered the following five themes: *Improved information sharing and reporting mechanisms; Increasing training; Raising awareness amongst young people of the issues and supporting services; Raising public awareness to recognise and respond to organised crime;* and *Strategic responses*.
- 2.4 The KCSP Working Group has considered the themes identified and the recommended actions which sit beneath them, including some of the following:
 - Stronger links between the Safeguarding Boards and local Community Safety Partnerships (CSPs);
 - A reporting mechanism for intelligence to feed into;
 - Agencies to consider how they can roll out training to their workforce and partners;
 - CSPs to map local youth support and outreach services within their areas;
 - Consider development of public campaigns to raise awareness;
 - Agencies to review strategic documents, guidance and pathways
- 2.5 The KCSP Working Group will be asking partners to assist in delivering these recommendations where possible and the group will monitor the progress and provide an update at a future KCSP meeting.

3.0 KCSP Grant Update - 2017/18

- 3.1 The Kent Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) allocated £39,661 to the KCSP for 2017/18 to fund pan Kent projects focussing on the priorities identified in the Community Safety Agreement and the Police and Crime Plan (Safer in Kent: The Community Safety and Criminal Justice Plan 2017-21). Similar funding has also been provided by the PCC to all Community Safety Partnerships across Kent and Medway to help deliver projects in support of local priorities.
- 3.2 The partnership has helped to fund a total of six projects in 2017/18:
 - Licence to Kill: (£10,000) theatre based road safety show to raise awareness of the risks to young people on the roads and ways of making themselves safer.
 Approximately 6,000 students (aged 16-19) from 50 Kent schools attended the productions in 2017.
 - Online Safety Awareness Sessions (£738) Four sessions are taking place between January and March 2018 for partners across the county. To date three sessions have been delivered with a capacity of approximately 400 people in total although it should be noted that a number of attendees who booked onto the course did not turn up.
 - Scams TrueCall Devices (£3,000) A total of 33 TrueCall devices have been purchased and Kent Community Wardens have received training to enable them to install the devices. To date 11 have been installed in identified properties. Kent Fire and Rescue Service are also supporting the scheme and will be referring potential recipients as appropriate following 'safe and well' visits.
 - Promoting Alternative Thinking Strategies (PATHS) (£9,800) The project focuses on adolescents who have lived with domestic abuse and are already

- showing signs of disengaging in their communities and/or have unhealthy relationships with their peers/families.
- Scam Awareness for All (£8,000) A six month countywide, online and offline Scam Awareness Campaign including a targeted digital marketing.
- Integrated Approach to Gangs Training is being provided for professionals who work with young people linked to gangs to develop their knowledge and skills in this area. Since the initial planning phase there have been some changes in staffing and resourcing which has caused a slight delay in the delivery of some of the workshops. However, to date four workshops have been delivered which have been well received by the attendees and a further three are being planned.

4.0 KCSP Grant Funding – 2018/19

- 4.1 The Kent Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) has confirmed that the Kent Community Safety Partnership (KCSP) will retain its current level of funding for 2018/19 of £39,661 however changes have been made to the funding criteria for the 'CSP Crime Reduction Grant'.
- 4.2 Instead of submitting project funding requests twice a year and receiving two payments, a business case must now be submitted to the PCC ahead of the start of the financial year forecasting in detail the projects that the KCSP will be supporting during 2018/19. This process is the same for all CSPs and will enable the PCC to review all proposed projects to ensure duplicate funding does not occur. Once approved by the PCC, one lump sum payment will be made to deliver the projects stated. It should be noted that one third of the funding can be allocated to a tactical pot at the start of the year enabling the KCSP to submit additional business cases in year to address new projects and emerging issues.
- 4.3 All projects funded through the grant must be approved by the Cabinet Member responsible for community safety, or another nominated individual. In the case of the KCSP this is the Chair of the Kent Community Safety Partnership who is also KCC Cabinet Member for Community and Regulatory Services.
- 4.4 As a result of the changes to the funding criteria for 2018/19 the KCSP Working Group has developed an interim project proposal form for partners to submit ideas regarding potential projects for 2018/19 and these are currently being collated and considered. In addition, as part of this process the Working Group is looking at alternative approaches of delivering projects including opportunities for working more closely with local CSPs to jointly deliver projects using pooled resources.
- 4.5. Some of the projects currently being considered for 2018/19 include: updating the Domestic Abuse Services website; the Licence to Kill programme; the annual Community Safety Conference; further gangs training and online safety/cybercrime awareness training and train the trainer courses. Suggested projects will be considered by the KCSP Working Group for inclusion within the business case and the recommendations will be sent to the Chair of the KCSP for approval.
- 4.6 It should be noted that the PCC has already confirmed the submission dates for the 2019/20 business case which must be returned between 23rd January and 15th

March 2019. As such the project planning process for next year will begin much earlier.

5.0 Kent Community Safety Team

- 5.1 The joint Kent Community Safety Team (KCST) helps to support the work of the KCSP, the KCSP Working Group and a variety of multi-agency projects. It consists of Kent Police, Kent Fire and Rescue Service (KFRS) and Kent County Council (KCC) staff.
- As part of the KCST's role in sharing good practice and facilitating joint working, members of the KCST delivered a Community Safety Information Session in early January. The morning included presentations on Cyber Crime, Dangerous Dogs, Unauthorised Encampments and a demonstration of the newly migrated Kent Connects Portal. Future information sessions are being planned for 2018/19 and partners are encouraged to contact the communitysafetyunit@kent.gov.uk if they have any suggested topics or would like to present anything to partners.
- 5.3 The second and third editions of the Kent Community Safety Newsletter were produced in October and December including season appropriate articles on Fireworks safety, reducing social isolation and Safeguarding Adults Awareness week, amongst others. The next edition is due out the end of March and the team is currently liaising with partners for suitable articles for inclusion to highlight and promote community safety work across the county. To subscribe to the newsletter, please contact the KCST via email at communitysafetyunit@kent.gov.uk.
- 5.4 The KCST have delivered a total of three Domestic Homicide Lessons (DHR) Learnt seminars this year to over 300 frontline practitioners and professionals. Following these events attendees were asked for their feedback with 85% stating that the seminars were either 'excellent' or 'very good' and this figure rises to 97% if the category of 'good' is included. In addition 99% of respondents wished to see future seminars on completed DHRs.

6.0 Recommendations

6.1 The KCSP is asked to note the progress and actions undertaken by the Working Group.

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Subject: Kent and Medway Road Casualty Reduction Partnership

Summary

This report outlines the purpose and structure of the Kent and Medway Road Casualty Reduction Partnership, whose aims support community safety

1.0 Background

- 1.1 Across Kent and Medway in 2017 over 900 people suffered life-ending or life-changing events on our roads. Additionally, a further 5,000 slight injuries were recorded.
- 1.2 Kent County Council, as other local Highway Authorities, has a Statutory Duty under the Road Traffic Act 1988 for 'road safety' and this incorporates crash data collection and analysis, provision of information, advice and training for road users, and providing an appropriate Highway to enable safer travel.
- 1.3 Other partners in Kent and Medway have similar Statutory Duties and all share the moral imperative to reduce harm on the roads.

2.0 Introduction

- 2.1 The Kent and Medway Road Casualty Reduction Partnership (KMRCRP) is made up of Kent County Council, Medway Council, Kent Police, Kent Fire and Rescue Service and Highways England.
- 2.2 The purpose of KMRCRP is to provide the platform for road safety professionals to coordinate collaborative activity, focused on reducing death and injury on the roads of Kent and Medway.
- 2.3 KMRCRP focuses primarily on affecting the main crash causing behaviours (the Fatal 4) through Education and Enforcement; whilst Engineering for a safer environment is discussed by the partners, the activity happens through Highway Authorities' established processes and principles.
- 2.4 There always has been good working relationships between the key partners and in 2008 a formal partnership group formed to enhance casualty reduction activity across Kent.

3.0 KMRCRP Structure and resourcing

- 3.1 Following a review of existing partnering arrangements, in 2015 a new structure was agreed, along with a renewed commitment from partners, as a way of providing effective focus on the main casualty causing issues and locations.
- 3.2 The Partnership is governed by a Strategic Board, attended by Cabinet Member and Head of Service (KCC), Assistant Chief Constable and Director of Operations (KFRS). The Police and Crime Commissioner is also represented. The Board confirms organisational commitment and may eventually control resourcing for partnership activities.
- 3.3 Under the Board is a Delivery Group made up of middle managers with direct responsibility for organisational resources used in casualty reduction Education and Enforcement. This group initiates and reviews partnering activity based on intelligence to identify key target groups. The Delivery Group is poised to recruit a Partnership Co-ordinator who will become the focal point for KMRCRP.
- 3.4 Individual Working Groups of practitioners are appointed by the Delivery Group as necessary, to focus on specific partnering projects e.g. Licence to Kill, Kent and Medway Safety Camera Partnership, specific public awareness campaigns like Drink Drive.
- 3.5 KMRCRP uses the National Police Chiefs Council's roads policing calendar as the basis for activity, especially linking monthly public awareness campaigns with planned police enforcement operations.

4.0 KMRCRP links to KCSP

- 4.1 Synergies between KMRCRP and community safety / KCSP priorities are clear and the Board has discussed opportunities to combine with KCSP or remain separate. The current view is that the complex casualty reduction agenda lends itself to a separate strand of activity and governance.
- 4.2 KMRCRP is represented at the KCSP Working Group and in turn KCSP is represented at both KMRCRP Strategic Board and Delivery Group.
- 4.3 The KMRCRP activity calendar is shared with KCSP and made available to local CSPs.
- 4.4 There are examples of CSPs supporting broader KMRCRP messages by exploiting local engagement opportunities, e.g. town centre teams helping to disseminate anti-drink drive messages to pubs and clubs, Community Wardens providing road safety advice to schools, etc.
- 4.5 KMRCRP are looking to formalise such opportunities to ensure consistency of message and this will be helped by the cross partnership links.

5.0 Next Steps

- 5.1 KMRCRP recognises it cannot deliver activities to address every actual or potential road safety concern, so the Partnership will focus on the main and emerging concerns as a matter of priority.
- 5.2 The Partnership will not be able to deal with local community concerns specifically and would benefit from the support of CSPs to deliver messages locally and supply consistent, accurate advice.
- 5.3 There is benefit in District CSPs supporting casualty reduction messages even where 'road safety' is not a local priority.
- 5.4 Community safety teams would benefit from receiving development from KMRCRP to establish base level insight into important and consistent public awareness messages.

6.0 Recommendations

- 6.1 The KCSP is asked to note:
 - the purpose and structure of KMRCRP
 - that the KMRCRP maintain and strengthen its relationship and links with the KCSP
 - there are benefits in local CSP support for KMRCRP messages
 - that consistent messages are important to support community safety

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