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SCRUTINY COMMITTEE - WEDNESDAY, 1 JULY 2026

Please find attached the PowerPoint Presentation given to the Scrutiny Committee, acting as the Crime and Disorder Committee on 1 July 2026 by Shafick Peerbux, Head of Community Safety, and Superintendent Rob Marsh, Kent Police.

Agenda Item No

B1 Kent Community Safety Agreement (Pages 1 - 12)

Yours sincerely

Benjamin Watts
Deputy Chief Executive

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Scrutiny Committee – Crime and Disorder Committee

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- Kent Community Safety Partnership
- Kent Community Safety Agreement

Shafick Peerbux
Head of Community Safety
1st July 2026

Introduction

- Richard Palmer, New Chair of the Kent Community Safety Partnership (KCSP)
- John Rivers (KALC) Vice Chair
- Role of the KCSP

Reflection and Review

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Local CSP Strategic
Assessments



Data Review



Partnership Plans



Legislation Changes



Emerging Issues
(PESTELO)

Multi-agency workshop

Vision

To have a more **data-led** and **evidence-based** partnership focussed on **improving residents' lives** in relation to **crime, disorder and ASB**

Kent Community Safety Agreement

Stronger, safer and resilient neighbourhoods: addressing ASB, neighbourhood crime, and local concerns



Neighbourhood crime and Anti-Social Behaviour

Road Safety

Retail Crime / Shoplifting

Community Cohesion

Environmental crime

Reducing violence, abuse, and high-harm offending



Violence Against Women and Girls

Domestic Abuse

Serious Violence and Organised Crime*

Protecting vulnerable people: reducing exploitation, susceptibility, and repeat harm



Safeguarding Vulnerable People**

Substance Misuse

Preventing Extremism and Hate**

Mental Health

Reoffending

-  CSA Strategic Aim 2026/27
-  CSA Priority Area 2025/26, with continued focus in 2026/27
-  For inclusion in 2026/27

* Serious Violence and Serious Organised Crime will be separate categories in 2026/27

** Fraud was part of Safeguarding Vulnerable People in 2025/26. It will sit separately in 2026/27

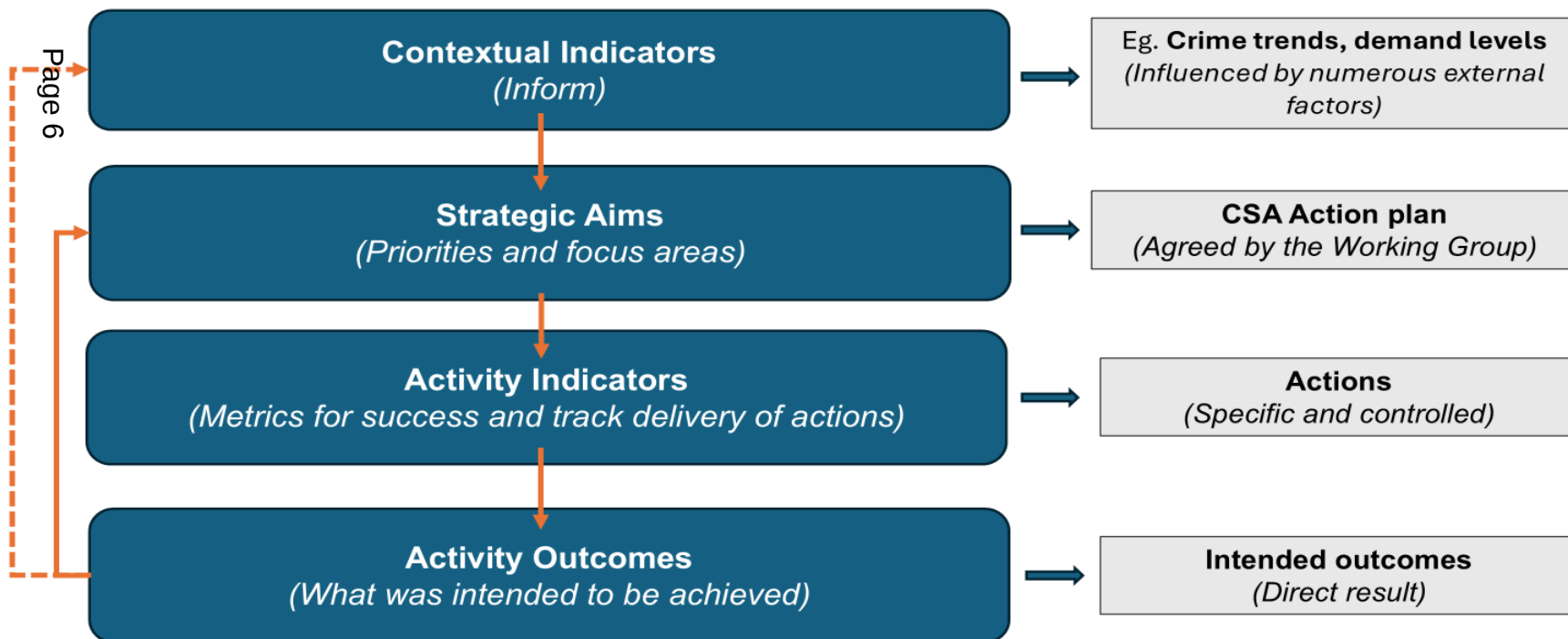
*** Hate crime forms part of 'Stronger, safer and resilient neighbourhoods' in 2026/27. Preventing extremism falls under 'Protecting vulnerable people'

Draft Performance/Outcome Framework

“This is what we understand about our communities → this is what we did together → this is what that activity enabled → these conditions are expected to influence community safety over time.”

Proposal

Knowledge Hub for Community Safety



Neighbourhood policing foundations and delivery

**Superintendent
Rob Marsh**

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**Strategic Prevention
Command**



Neighbourhood policing remains central to keeping Kent safe

Community-embedded officers

Officers are embedded within local communities, remaining visible, accessible, and approachable to foster trust and co-operation.

Proactive crime prevention

The policing model focuses on early risk identification and intervention to prevent crime escalation and harm.

Collaborative partnerships

Close collaboration with local authorities and community groups addresses root causes of crime and social issues.

Neighbourhood Policing Guarantee

A framework ensuring frontline resources focus on community engagement with accountability.

Delivering visible, local and responsive policing

Localised policing model

Named beat officers are assigned to each ward, creating a direct link between police and community members.

Community engagement activities

Regular meetings, walk-and-talk events, and outreach initiatives allow officers to gather community feedback and address concerns.

Intelligence-led patrols

Patrols focus on crime hotspots and areas with persistent antisocial behavior to maximise impact and safety.

Accountability and trust

Transparency in resource deployment builds trust, ensuring communities feel supported and confident in policing efforts

My Community Voice: strengthening engagement at scale

Digital Communication Shift

MCV enables direct, targeted communication from police to residents through a scalable digital platform.

Localised Messaging

The platform delivers geographically tailored messages increasing relevance and engagement within neighborhoods.

Two-Way Community Dialogue

Communities provide feedback and share concerns through surveys and direct communication, fostering dialogue.

Complementing Traditional Methods

MCV extends the reach of public meetings and neighborhood watch via digital tools to engage diverse audiences.

The direction of travel for Kent policing

Enhanced community engagement

Kent policing focuses on increasing visibility and strengthening community engagement for better public trust and safety.

Partnership collaboration

Close collaboration between police, local authorities, health services, and organisations ensures co-ordinated, effective responses.

Prevention and problem-solving

Proactive, evidence-based problem-solving helps reduce repeat incidents and improve sustainable community safety.

Digital engagement tools

Integration of digital tools like My Community Voice fosters a connected and informed public.

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