

STRONG AND SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

**WEDNESDAY 15 JANUARY 2014
7.00 PM**

Bourges/Viersen Room - Town Hall

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Committee Members:

Councillors: M Lee (Chair), S Day (Vice Chairman), P Kreling, G Simons, J Johnson, L Forbes and J R Fox

Substitutes: Councillors: D Over, N Shabbir and B Saltmarsh

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**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
STRONG AND SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
HELD IN THE
BOURGES & VIERSEN ROOMS, TOWN HALL, PETERBOROUGH
ON
TUESDAY 19 NOVEMBER 2013**

Present: Councillors Lee (Chairman) Day (Vice Chairman), Kreling, Jamil, Forbes and Fox

Also Present:

Councillor North	Cabinet Member for Environment Capital and Neighbourhoods
Councillor Elsey	Cabinet Member for Culture, Recreation and Waste Management
Councillor Maqbool	PCC
Councillor Casey	Cabinet Advisor to the Cabinet Member for Recreation and Waste Management
Councillor Khan	Representing Labour Group
Jennifer Sherritt	Vice Chair of Communities Against Selective Licensing (CASL)

Officers in Attendance:

Gary Goose	Safer and Stronger Peterborough Strategic Manager
Jawaid Khan	Cohesion Manager
Adrian Chapman	Head of Neighbourhood Services
Dominic Hudson	Strategic Partnerships Manager
Lisa Helin	Strategic Client Manager
Belinda Child	Strategic Housing Manager
Jo Hodges	Housing Enforcement Officer
Dania Castagliuolo	Governance Officer

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillor Simons and Councillor Johnson. Councillor Jamil was in attendance as Substitute for Councillor Johnson.

2. Declarations of Interest and Whipping Declarations

With reference to item 8 on the agenda, 'Proposed Selective Licensing for the Gladstone, Millfield, New England and Eastfield Areas of Peterborough', the following declarations of interest were made:

- Councillor Jamil declared that he owned two properties in the proposed Selective Licensing area.
- Councillor Khan declared that he was a landlord in the proposed Selective Licensing area and the Director of Legal and Governance had given him dispensation to contribute to discussions.

3. Minutes of the meeting held on 11 September 2013

The minutes of the Strong and Supportive Communities Scrutiny Committee meeting held on 11 September 2013 were approved as an accurate record.

4. Call In of any Cabinet, Cabinet Member or Key Officer Decisions

There were no requests for Call-in to consider

CRIME AND DISORDER SCRUTINY COMMITTEE SITTING FOR ITEM 5 ONLY

5. Safer Peterborough Partnership Plan 2011 – 2014

The Safer and Stronger Peterborough Manager introduced the report which updated the Committee on the progress and performance of the Safer Peterborough Partnership's approach to building stronger and supportive communities, in accordance with the Safer Peterborough Partnership Plan 2011 – 14.

The following key points were highlighted within the report:

- The Safer Peterborough Partnership took the view that sustainable reductions in crime and disorder could not be achieved by the reactive response from services alone. Sustainable change came from within communities where peer pressure made crime and disorder socially unacceptable and was realised by behaviour change.
- This element of work was historically co-ordinated by the Council's Neighbourhood Management Team and was now coordinated by the management of the Safer Peterborough team and the Community Operations team.
- In order to progress towards such behaviour change the Partnership had taken the following strategic direction:
 - To actively support and assist the development of residents groups and community associations.
 - To support and champion such schemes as Neighbourhood Watch, Business Watch, Allotment Watch, Neighbourhood Champions and Street Pastors.
 - To develop real citizen involvement in the management of prioritised areas, such as the Operation CanDo programme and its governance.
 - To increase its visibility of, and response to, quality of life issues that were often a pre-cursor to anti-social behaviour and crime.
 - To embrace the work of Professor Wilkstrom and the Cambridge University Institute of Criminology's work: Peterborough Adolescent and Young Adult Development Study (PADS).
 - To host the Cambridgeshire Police and Crime Commissioners Outreach Worker, alongside the Safer Peterborough and Community Operations Team and to shortly offer the same facility to a Peterborough specific lead for victim support
 - To lead continuing work around Community Cohesion through the Cohesion Board and;
 - To ensure schemes for individual communities for those at risk of offending, where behaviour change is supported but poor behaviour challenged, were supported appropriately

Members were asked to note the approach, progress and performance so far and to endorse the partnership's direction of travel and to make any comments or suggestions as appropriate.

Observations and questions were raised around the following areas:

- Members commented that that they had not seen the presence of the working relationship which was stated on page 12, 5.8 of the report and queried how to get the community involved in these projects. *The Safer and Stronger Peterborough Strategic Manager advised members that there had been problems historically with Neighbourhood Watch as members were generally middle aged white people, it did not appeal to the younger generation.*
- *The Head of Neighbourhood Services commented that it was important to note that there had been a newly announced restructure within the council and the new structure pulled together many of the council's departments which would make a difference.*
- Members commented that the termination of Neighbourhood Committees had lost the work that Neighbourhoods had achieved.
- Members queried whether having more Neighbourhood Panel meetings would help reach out to the communities. *Members were advised that this would help, especially in Central Ward as it was a challenging area.*

- Members queried whether Operation CanDo was making progress. *Members were advised that that it had been a success in the designated areas with a reduction in the number of calls being made and a reduction in crime. There were 3000 fewer victims of crime in Peterborough, even though crime was underreported.*
- Members commented that they were pleased with the reduction in burglaries in Peterborough and queried whether arson in the city had reduced as it was not shown in the report. *Members were informed that there had been a 30% reduction of arson in the city. There had been a recent bout of arson due to a specific issue, although the general trend was low.*
- Members queried whether the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme had made a difference to the number of burglaries. *Members were advised that the burglary rate was lower where there was a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme in place and the aim was to encourage Neighbourhood Watch in areas where the burglary rate was high.*
- Members commented that the statistics shown within the report could be misleading and did not believe that Anti-social Behaviour and Criminal Damage was reducing. *Members were informed that this could be due to the underreporting of these crimes, however the final chart did indicate reductions in these crimes*
- Members requested information on the issues in Central Ward. *Members were advised that it was difficult to compare Central Ward with other areas in Peterborough. Diversity in Central Ward was great, it was a dense housing area with low cost housing. Central Ward needed long term commitment in order to make it a better area to live in.*

ACTION AGREED

The Committee noted the report

6. Portfolio Holder Report from Cabinet Member for Environment Capital and Neighbourhoods

The Cabinet Member Environment Capital and Neighbourhoods introduced the report which provided the Committee with an update in relation to matters relevant to the Committee. The Cabinet Member invited questions from the Committee.

Observations and questions were raised around the following areas:

- Members queried why the three initiatives on page 19 of the report (Sports & Leisure, Training and Environmental Crime) had no work being carried out on them. *The Community Cohesion Manager advised members that the projects listed on page 19 were based on work that had been carried out with Neighbourhoods over a long period of time. There were no live projects being led on these subjects at present which the Cabinet Member was overseeing.*
- Members queried what the situation was with the Children's Centres. *Members were advised that the Neighbourhoods team had visited the centres and met with the groups that would potentially run them. They were happy that the groups were doing well so far. The only problem would be if there were any major underlying issues with the structures.*
- Members queried if all of the Children's Centres would succeed and if the council was committed to resolving the issues that could potentially arise. *Members were informed that the council's commitment would depend on financial implications therefore they could not guarantee that all issues would be resolved.*
- Members queried whether the council would remain landlords of the children's centres. *Members were informed that long leases would be given although the council would remain owners of the land.*
- Members queried whether the council would still be involved in the running of the Children's Centres. *Members were advised that the idea was to move the centres further away from the council and let the community groups take over the running of them.*
- Members commented that properties and activities used to sit under the remit of Children and Education and queried whether this had been moved in to the remit of Neighbourhoods, or if they were doing the work and reporting back. *Members were advised that Neighbourhoods were making the decisions and moving forwards with the projects.*
- Members queried whether building surveys had been carried out and if the council were going to pay for the repairs required. *Members were informed that funding was a major factor as to whether*

the council would pay for any repairs needed on the children's centres. Funding had been extended until the end of March and the idea was to get each building in to a good serviceable condition before moving forward.

- Members queried if children's centres were going to be part of the Community Asset Transfer Strategy and if so suggested that the council should contribute towards the maintenance and insurances of the centres.
- *Members were informed that work was currently being carried out on Section 106 and POIS money in preparation for the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL). The money would be pooled and distributed.*

ACTION AGREED

The Committee noted the report and agreed to receive a briefing note in the New Year regarding progress on each of the Play Centres.

7. The Heritage Ambition

The report provided members with an update on the city's Heritage ambition and Heritage Action Plan. The following key points were highlighted within the report:

- Heritage was one part of the city's culture.
- Peterborough had a rich, diverse and exciting heritage which was unique to the city. Peterborough's heritage had helped to shape how the city had grown over the years and people and cultures within it.
- Heritage played an important role in support of other council services and the aspirations for the city.
- The city council's objectives supported by the ambition were as follows:
 - Tourism and visitor engagement which in turn supported the local economy.
 - Supporting educational skills and learning.
 - Health and well-being by adding quality to people's lives.
 - Community cohesion and engagement through being accessible to everyone from all backgrounds and walks of life to help bring the city's culture to life.
- Peterborough had many heritage assets, the Museum, Flag Fen, the recent discovery of Bronze Age boats at Must Farm.
- High profile sites such as the Cathedral, St Johns Church, John Clare Cottage, Burghley House and Sacrewell Farm, were all in close proximity to Peterborough.
- Work was underway to refresh the Peterborough's approach to tourism to ensure the full economic benefit of all these heritage sites and attractions was realised.

The Commission was recommended to comment on the city's Heritage Ambition at Annex 1 and the Heritage Action Plan at Annex 2.

Observations and questions were raised around the following areas:

- Members commented that Annex 2 was very useful and suggested that the opportunity for assistance from groups within the city with the World War 1 centenary was not lost. *Members were advised that the Leader of the council had commissioned Councillor Swift to look in to the World War 1 Centenary.*
- Members commented that they were concerned that a great opportunity was being missed by not having a festival which included diverse communities and Peterborough should play a role in celebrating diversity.

ACTIONS AGREED

The Committee noted the report

8. Proposed Selective Licensing for the Gladstone, Millfield, New England and Eastfield Areas of Peterborough

The report provided Members with information on the proposed Selective Licensing Scheme for privately rented accommodation in the Gladstone, Millfield, New England and Eastfield areas of Peterborough. The following key points were highlighted within the report:

- Providing warm, safe and secure housing was the cornerstone of a strong society and the proposed Selective Licensing Scheme was one of the tools available to the council to regulate the private rented housing sector to achieve this.
- Whenever considering whether to make a Selective Licensing designation councils must also ensure that the exercise of power was consistent with their overall Housing Strategy, in accordance with Section 81 (2) of the Housing Act 2004.
- **Objective One – To support the delivery of substantial yet truly sustainable growth.**
 - The first objective of the Housing Strategy related to the scale and nature of housing growth that was required to meet the needs of the existing and future population, as well as supporting Peterborough's economic performance and employment growth.
- **Objective Two – To secure the regeneration of and improvements to Peterborough's housing stock.**
 - The second objective of the Housing Strategy related to the role that housing regeneration and improvements could play in wider neighbourhood renewal, meeting Peterborough's Environment Capital ambitions and improving health of the local population.
- **Objective Three – To meet existing and future housing needs.**
 - Objective three related to how the city council and its partners would work to meet the growing needs of the residents of Peterborough, including disabled households, those unable to afford market housing and those threatened with or experiencing homelessness.
- **Objective Four – To create mixed and sustainable communities.**
 - The final objective set out in the strategy related to how the city council would seek to utilise its housing agenda to ensure that future neighbourhoods created and the communities that lived within them were mixed, thriving and sustainable.
- The proposed Selective Licensing area was a high density private sector residential area consisting of approximately 10,933 properties.
- In the Gladstone, Millfield and New England Area over 40% of the properties were privately rented and in Eastfield area 33% of the properties were privately rented.
- There were approximately 3446 properties which had been identified as privately rented and would require a license if the proposed Selective Licensing scheme was introduced.
- The area covered 108 streets in Gladstone, Millfield and New England and 76 streets in Eastfield.
- The council wanted to ensure that standards were high across the private rented sector and Selective Licensing would form a part of a wider set of measures that seek to address issues within the private rented sector associated with anti-social behaviour and low demand.
- The levels of private rented accommodation in the area had dramatically increased which was demonstrated with the private rented sector representing over 40% in Gladstone, Millfield and 33% in Eastfield compare to the 20.5% across the city and 16% nationally.
- Peterborough's private rented sector had many good, responsible landlords and agents, however the sector did have problems, including within the proposed Selective Licensing area.
- The increasing size of the private rented sector and decrease in the number of owner occupied dwellings was creating unbalanced communities
- Since 2009 the council had operated an additional licensing scheme within the Operation Can Do area of the city. Additional licensing required that all houses in multiple occupation (HMO) had a licence to operate as such.
- Since the inception of the HMO licensing scheme 67 properties had been licensed and 9 landlords had been prosecuted with fines ranging from £500 to £12,000.
- During the term of the current licensing scheme a number of landlords had taken the drastic step of illegally evicting tenants when the council had asked them to apply for a license.
- A recent survey conducted in the Selective Licensing area had revealed that 45% of the residents in the area thought that there was a high turnover of private tenants in the area, 88% thought that

landlords should make sure their properties were in good condition and well maintained, 71% thought that landlords should demand references from prospective tenants and 79% thought that landlords should be responsible for dealing with their nuisance tenants and anti-social behaviour.

- Selective Licensing would extend housing choice and increase the confidence of occupiers in the designated area.
- Landlords would be required to take ownership of their management responsibilities thus increasing the prospect of long-term trouble free renting.
- The Selective Licensing was proposed on the following ground:
 - The area was, or was likely to become an area of low housing demand; and
 - That making a designation would, when combined with other measures taken in the area by the local housing authority, or by other persons together with the local housing authority, contribute to the improvement of the social or economic conditions and therefore significantly reduce anti-social behaviour in the area.
 - Following agreement from cabinet a 13 week public consultation had commenced which would run until 27 December 2013.
 - Once the consultation had finished and all the responses had been analysed, and alternative proposals had been thoroughly investigated and researched, the final proposed scheme would be presented to Cabinet for approval and implementation.

The Committee was asked to review and scrutinise the proposed Selective Licensing scheme for privately rented accommodation in the Gladstone, Millfield, New England and Eastfield areas of Peterborough.

Councillor Maqbool addressed the Committee as a representative for West Ward with the following concerns:

- The Royal Bank of Scotland and NatWest had refused to lend money to Selective Licensing landlords and it was common practice for landlords to buy properties in the city centre.
- The Selective Licensing scheme would affect 20% of Peterborough residents.
- The Selective Licensing criteria would affect landlords as well as tenants.
- Constituents felt that the Selective Licensing Scheme would stigmatise and label their areas.
- Landlords and tenants had already worked hard to reduce anti-social behaviour in their neighbourhoods and they felt that this scheme was discourteous to the work of Councillors and local residents.
- 0.3% of houses had been empty long term. Lincoln Road was a very busy place in Peterborough and this was the reason for the anti-social behaviour.
- There were 110 different languages spoken in the proposed areas, although the consultation was only distributed in English, constituents felt that the survey had been manipulated.

Jennifer Sherritt, Vice Chair of Communities Against Selective Licensing (CASL), addressed the Committee with the following:

- No landlords were against their areas being improved, although they did not understand why the Selective Licensing scheme was being brought in to Peterborough when most landlords were good landlords and abided by the rules.

Observations and questions were raised around the following areas:

- Members commented that they understood the principal of the scheme and the objectives were very good, although they wanted to ensure that this scheme was the best one for Peterborough.
- Members commented that it was difficult to understand why this scheme was the best solution for rogue landlords in Peterborough and why these problems could not be solved without it. Antisocial behaviour was already decreasing which indicated that the other schemes the council had in place were effective. *The Strategic Housing Manager advised Members that part of the research in to this scheme was liaising with other Local Authorities that had Selective Licensing in place. The only two options for a licensing scheme were Selective Licensing and HMO Licensing, in 2009 the council chose HMO Licensing and this has proven not to be successful.*

- Members queried whether landlord accreditation would be mandatory. *Members were informed that it would be a voluntary decision for landlords to be accredited. The idea of the Selective Licensing scheme was to deal with the rogue landlords and promote good landlords.*
- Members commented that car insurance premiums for central ward were already very high and implementing this scheme would only give it a reputation as more of a problem area rather than an area which was improving.
- Members commented that there had been no consultation with ward Councillors prior to the Selective Licensing report which had left Members with serious reservations regarding the scheme.
- Members felt that the consultation questions were misleading and led everyone who filed it in to state that they wanted the scheme implemented.
- Members requested reassurance that the council had consulted with the genuine landlords to investigate how issues could be dealt with.
- Members commented that the anti-social behaviour statistics for Central Ward also included the night time economy statistics therefore the results were bound to be higher than anywhere else in the city.
- Members queried what would happen if a majority of landlords were against the scheme. *Members were advised that the Selective Licensing scheme brought together all powers relating to housing and management which the council do not currently possess. It brought everything under one license and enabled the Local Authority to take action.*
- *Members were advised that over 18.5 thousand people had been consulted for this scheme. The council had held drop in sessions and met with the National Landlords Association. The scheme was currently a proposal and not a final project.*
- Members queried what the money collected from Selective Licensing Scheme would be spent on. *Members were advised that the money would be used on the administration of the scheme and projections showed that the money collected would cover all admin costs.*
- Members commented that landlords would most likely include the Selective Licensing charges on to the monthly rental for their tenants.

ACTION AGREED

The Committee noted the report and requested that the following be fed in to the consultation:

- Evidence should be collected to ensure that Selective Licensing was the best scheme for the city.
- To take in to account the perception of racial exploitation that ethnic groups had with regard to the introduction of the Selective Licensing Scheme in the Can Do area and how this could be dispelled.

9. Scrutiny in a Day: Understanding and Managing the impacts of Welfare Reform on Communities in Peterborough

The report provided an update to all Scrutiny Committees and Commissions on the progress being made towards organising the Scrutiny in a Day event on 17 January 2014

Scrutiny Members were asked to:

- Review the progress being made, especially the plans for the day itself, and suggest other content that was relevant to their own Scrutiny Committee or Commission.
- Suggest a small number of key themes relevant to their Scrutiny Committee or Commission that they would especially like to focus on during the combined scrutiny event.

ACTION AGREED

The Committee noted the report and suggested that the impact on children due to Welfare Reform was addressed at the event.

10. Notice of Intention to Take Key Decisions

The Committee received the latest version of the Council's Notice of Intention to Take Key Decisions, containing key decisions that the Leader of the Council anticipated the Cabinet or individual Cabinet Members would make during the course of the following four months. Members were invited to comment on the Plan and, where appropriate, identify any relevant areas for inclusion in the Committee's work programme.

ACTION AGREED

The Committee noted the Notice of Intention to Take Key Decisions.

11. Work Programme 2013/2014

This was an opportunity for Members to review the Work Programme for 2013/14 and discuss possible items for inclusion.

ACTION AGREED

- Members noted the work programme and confirmed agreement with the current plan.

The meeting began at 7.00pm and ended at 8.55pm

CHAIRMAN

STRONG AND SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE	Agenda Item No. 5
15 JANUARY 2014	Public Report

Report of the Strategic Manager: Safer and Stronger Peterborough

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SAFER PETERBOROUGH PARTNERSHIP PLAN 2011-14

1. PURPOSE

- 1.1 This report is to seek the views and input of the Strong and Supportive Communities Scrutiny Committee into the development of the new Safer Peterborough Partnership Plan.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 Members are asked to note the direction of travel of the Safer Peterborough Partnership Plan and to make suggestions as to items for inclusion therein.
- 2.2 Members are also asked to note that the draft Safer Peterborough Partnership Plan will, when produced, return to this Committee for discussion and debate in order that an agreed version can be recommended to Cabinet for approval.

3. LINKS TO THE SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY STRATEGY

- 3.1 The Sustainable Community Strategy aims to deliver a bigger and better Peterborough, through improving the quality of life for all. This Partnership Plan covers those aspects that fall within the Strong and Supportive Communities priority.

4. BACKGROUND

- 4.1 The Crime and Disorder Act 1998 requires that a Community Safety Partnership is formed, bringing together agencies who are responsible for crime and disorder across the local area.
- 4.2 The Crime and Disorder Act specifies 'responsible authorities', and in the case of the Peterborough Unitary Authority area these are specified as: Peterborough City Council; Cambridgeshire Constabulary; The Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Clinical Commissioning Group; Cambridgeshire Fire Authority; and Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Probation Trust.
- 4.3 Responsible authorities also invite other agencies who are able to contribute to the work to *co-operate* and Cross Keys Homes (representing Registered Social Landlords in the city) is one of these organisations. Other agencies, particularly from the voluntary and community sector, are also *invited to participate* in the work of the Partnership. At present these organisations are Peterborough Council for Voluntary Service, Peterborough Racial Equality Council, HM Prison Peterborough, the Director of Public Health and The One Service.
- 4.4 In addition, legislation places a *mutual duty of co-operation* upon the Partnership and the elected Police and Crime Commissioner for Cambridgeshire.
- 4.5 The Safer Peterborough Partnership is one of the partnerships that form the Greater Peterborough Partnership.

4.6 Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 places on designated authorities a legal responsibility to consider the community safety implications of their actions.

5. KEY ISSUES

5.1 The Crime and Disorder Act 1998, revised by the Police and Justice Act 2006, requires that the Community Safety Partnership publishes an annual Partnership Plan.

5.2 The current Safer Peterborough Partnership strategic three-year plan concludes at the end of March 2014. Since the Partnership embarked upon it a number of amendments have been made to the Crime and Disorder Act. The purpose of the amendments is to revoke regulations which place unnecessary prescription on Community Safety Partnerships (CSPs) and to give CSPs greater flexibility to carry out their duties in a way that is locally determined.

5.3 One specific amendment relevant to this report is as follows:

- The removal of the requirement for the partnership plan to set out a strategy covering a set *three-year* period (*any* period is acceptable)

5.4 There has also been some minor re-wording of the responsibilities of the partnership; for clarity the wording is now that the partnership is responsible for:

- Reducing crime and disorder, combatting the misuse of drugs, alcohol and other substances, and reducing reoffending.

5.5 Scrutiny of the plan under the Crime and Disorder Act still exists and the Strong and Supportive Communities Scrutiny Committee remain the responsible Crime and Disorder Act Scrutiny Committee.

5.6 There are a number of considerations for the next iteration of the Safer Peterborough Partnership Strategic Plan. Some of these are set out below and the committee are invited to comment upon each:

- Duration of the strategic plan
- Direction of the plan
- Inclusion or otherwise of specific categories of crime
- Performance management and targets
- Delivery of the plan

5.7 Duration of the Plan.

5.7.1 Some of the success of recent years has been the consistency of approach during the current three-year plan and thus it is suggested that we consider a further over-arching strategic plan to cover a set period; the alternative would be to produce stand-alone annual plans.

5.7.2 Without this approach, annual plans could lose the consistent overview and approach, replaced with whatever is 'fashionable' at the time. An overarching strategy, based upon the principles of the partnership, could and should be a short document but one which is easily understood by all. It is therefore suggested that another three-year period would be appropriate, especially important given the continuing austerity that most statutory partners are facing with the resultant and inevitable staff changes that will occur.

5.7.3 If the strategic plan is based upon an overarching strategy the partnership's strategic assessment would be used to set our specific themes and tactical delivery for the year ahead from April 2014.

5.7.4 It would also be based on the some of the principles of the Sustainable Community Strategy and associated Single Delivery Plan:

- Outcomes not organisations
- Root causes rather symptoms
- Being innovative
- Local solutions to local issues

5.7.5 The priorities set out in the 2011-24 Plan attached are:

- Reducing Crime
- Tackling anti-social behaviour and hate crime
- Building stronger and more supportive communities

5.8 **Direction of the Plan**

5.8.1 The current three year plan is explicit in its intention as follows:

"This plan will demonstrate the direction of travel for making the City and its people safer.

- It will show our resolve in protecting those who are vulnerable within our communities.
- It will be clear about our partnership's commitment to tackling the underlying causes of offending but will be equally clear that those who continue to offend or bring risk of harm to our City will be targeted with the full weight of the criminal justice system.
- It will illustrate how we intend our approach to be sustainable and improve the lives of the people living, working and visiting our City.

"This three year plan will need to be flexible, adaptable and responsive to the ever changing landscape of financial restraint, the drive for localism and greater community engagement, the introduction of the new Policing and Crime Commissioner, changes funding arrangements and partner organisations all undergoing individual and significant structural reviews.

"This new approach, freed of considerable bureaucracy, aims to bring long-term sustainable reductions in crime and disorder and to lead in the creation of stronger, supportive and cohesive communities".

5.8.2 The 2011-14 plan placed prevention as the focus of partnership activity, whilst supporting the individual core responsibilities of each organisational partner. It was also explicit in its support for the 'broken window theory' relating to anti-social behaviour and associated crime.

5.8.3 The development of a new community safety delivery model should ensure consistency in this aspect and it is therefore suggested that there is no change to the intention of the previous three year plan.

5.9 **Inclusion or otherwise of specific categories of crime**

5.9.1 For the last three years the partnership have concentrated upon one single target – reducing victim based crime by 10%.

5.9.2 However, the partnership has continued to monitor on a monthly basis a whole raft of individual crime types and other quality of life indicators based upon a threat, risk and harm matrix.

5.9.3 This approach has allowed a focus on the system as a whole rather than focussing on one individual crime type. Impetus to reduce specific crimes has not been lost, in particular those that cause the City and its inhabitants the most harm. This has been largely achieved by a focus upon themes such as a strong focus on a good quality integrated approach to offender management and quality substance misuse services.

5.9.4 It is therefore suggested that we should continue to develop themes that maintain the victim at the centre of services and support/challenge those who offend, thereby helping us to continue the success of recent years with the strategic assessment providing the detail.

5.9.5 To this end, the following themes are considered essential in continuing to drive down crime, all of which are current but all which have challenges presented in the immediate future:

- Maintaining an integrated approach to offender management cognisant of the impending changes to the rehabilitation agenda and the restructure of probation services
- Continuing the development of good quality domestic abuse and sexual violence services
- Developing further quality substance misuse services in challenging financial times
- Developing further an integrated City-wide approach to managing anti-social behaviour

5.10 **Performance management and targets**

5.10.1 The Partnership have a developing performance monitoring framework based around its monthly meeting structure.

5.10.2 The level of scrutiny now afforded to the Partnership through this scrutiny committee ensures that all elements of the plan are publically scrutinised. It is therefore suggested that there is no change to current scrutiny arrangements.

5.10.3 The current performance of the partnership is appended to this report.

5.11 **Delivery of the plan**

5.11.1 One of the strengths of delivery of the current plan is the multi-agency, single management team arrangements that are in place for the delivery arm of the partnership. Work is currently underway to formalise and strengthen these arrangements. Monitoring the impact of such changes would be something that should be considered as a specific theme in any plan from April 2014 onwards. This should be a specific element for scrutiny in due course.

6. **IMPLICATIONS**

6.1 The success of the Safer Peterborough Partnership Plan from 2014 onwards will be a key determinant in quality of life of people who live, work and visit the area.

7. **CONSULTATION**

7.1 The development of the Plan will be further informed by a detailed strategic assessment and information obtained through public consultation events and the neighbourhood panel process.

8. **NEXT STEPS**

8.1 The Plan will be further discussed at the Safer Peterborough Partnership board meeting in January and returned to Scrutiny at its next meeting.

9. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

9.1 None

10. APPENDICES

10.1 Safer Peterborough Partnership Plan 2011-2014
Safer Peterborough Partnership Plan 2013 revision.
Safer Peterborough Performance November 2013.

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2011 to 2014



SaferPeterborough Partnership Plan



The partnership plan

Government requires the SaferPeterborough partnership to produce a **partnership plan** that identifies the areas it prioritises action each year.

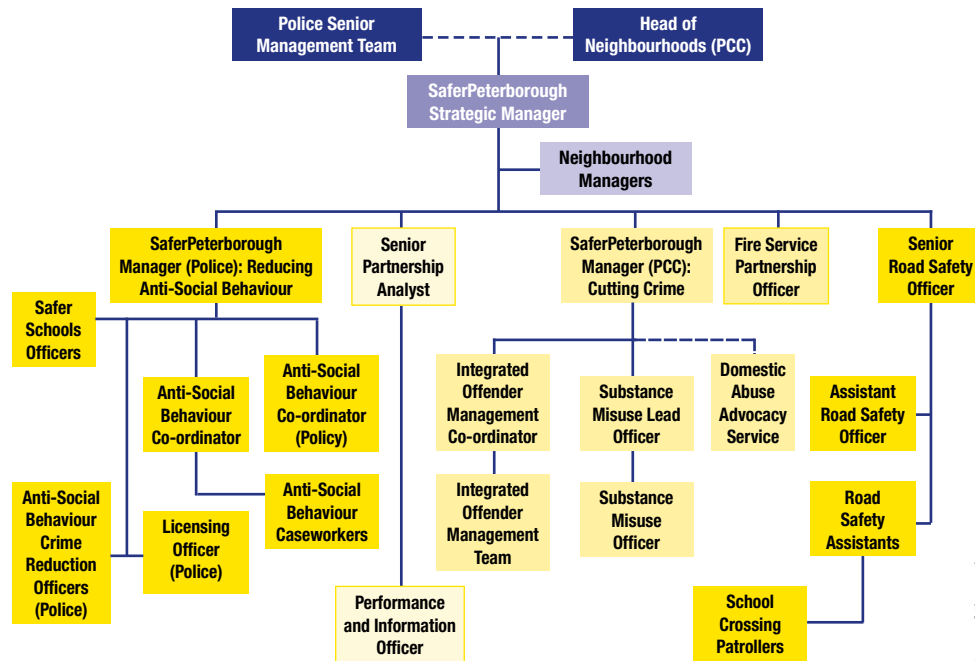
The plan spans a three-year period and is updated annually to reflect findings from strategic assessments that paint a picture of crime, disorder and safety in our neighbourhoods.

The plan supports **The Greater Peterborough Partnership (GPP) sustainable community strategy**, which sets out the direction for the overall

strategic development of Peterborough, resulting in a single delivery plan.

Visit www.saferpeterborough.org.uk to view the partnership plan in full or call **(01733) 747474** and ask for the SaferPeterborough team who will post the plan to you.

The SaferPeterborough team



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SaferPeterborough is a community safety partnership made up of local organisations who work together to reduce crime and the fear of crime in Peterborough.

The partnership is responsible for making our city a safer place to live, work and visit. Its vision is to empower neighbourhoods to help cut crime and reduce anti-social behaviour, which will create and sustain strong and supportive communities.

The SaferPeterborough team is responsible for delivery of this vision and is structured to focus on three priority areas:

- Reducing crime
- Tackling anti-social behaviour and hate crime
- Building stronger and more supportive communities

These priorities cover nine themes that concern communities the most:

- Anti-social behaviour
- Arson
- Domestic abuse
- Hate crime
- Road safety
- Serious acquisitive crime
- Serious sexual offences
- Substance misuse
- Violent crime

Partnership organisations



The SaferPeterborough partnership brings together **responsible authorities** who, under Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998, have a duty to consider the community safety implications of their actions.

The responsible authorities are:

- Peterborough City Council
- Cambridgeshire Constabulary
- Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Fire Authority
- NHS Peterborough
- Cambridgeshire Police Authority
- Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Probation Trust

Co-operating authorities are local groups or organisations that contribute significantly to community safety. The Crime and Disorder Act makes co-operating bodies key partners in the setting and delivery of objectives. Co-operating authorities provide information to improve the understanding of local crime and disorder problems, thereby benefiting the core functions of the partnership.

Cross Keys Homes (representing registered social landlords) is a co-operating authority of the partnership.

SaferPeterborough also invites other organisations to assist in the delivery of crime reduction activities. These are known as **invitees to participate**. This provides an opportunity for the voluntary sector to support the work of the partnership.

Invitees to participate are:

- HMP Peterborough
- Peterborough Racial Equality Council
- Peterborough Mediation (representing the voluntary sector)
- The Social Impact Bond



Achievements: April 2010 to March 2011

From April 2010 to March 2011 crime in Peterborough reduced by 10 per cent.

We have:

- Strengthened and co-located police and city council community safety teams
- Targeted 200 known burglars (Operation Alert)

- Remodeled our prolific and priority offender programme into an integrated offender management programme
- Declared our intent to deal with the causes as well as symptoms of crime through a revised three-year partnership plan

Reduction of crime types

	From April 2009 to March 2010	From April 2010 to March 2011	Numeric change	Change
Serious acquisitive crime	3,926	3,054	-872	- 22.2%
Theft / unauthorised taking of a vehicle	424	313	-111	- 26.2%
Violent crime	4,657	4,591	-66	- 1.4%
Serious sexual offences	252	237	-15	- 6.0%

The results are:

- **27 per cent reduction** in reported burglary. A financial saving to the city of **£1,212,428** (Economic and Social Cost of Crime - Home Office research paper)
- **26 per cent reduction** in acts of criminal damage (1,126 fewer). A financial saving to the city of **£977,714**
- **18 per cent reduction** of victim-based crime. Approximately **2,200** fewer victims of crime
- **25 per cent fewer** incidents of racially aggravated crime



Crime reduction by areas

	April 2009 - March 2010	April 2010 - March 2011	Reduction
North West	3,942	3,265	- 17.2%
North East	2,968	2,289	- 22.9%
South West	1,989	1,792	- 9.9%
South East	2,960	2,939	- 0.7%
East North	2,901	2,506	- 13.6%
East South	1,733	1,568	- 9.5%
Central - City Centre	3,243	3,154	- 2.7%
Central - Central North	1,565	1,559	- 0.4%

Some challenges remain despite crime levels having fallen across the city.

- The level of acquisitive crime is underpinned by a group of offenders who regularly re-offend
- A significant level of reported violent crime is domestic abuse
- Communities remain concerned about the levels of anti-social behaviour they experience

Delivery of priority areas

Reducing crime

The most effective way to reduce crime in partnership is to tackle those most disproportionately responsible for the bulk of that crime. National figures have revealed approximately 10 per cent of offenders are responsible for up to 50 per cent of crime.

A major reason for a reduction in crime in Peterborough is the partnership-led **integrated offender management** initiative. This initiative encourages:

- Partners to tackle offenders together
- Delivery of a local response to local problems
- Offenders to face their responsibility, or face the consequences
- Making better use of existing (and proven) programmes and governance
- Easy accessibility to high risk offenders who cause serious harm and /or re-offend

This approach is strengthened further by a national pilot - a **social impact bond**, which is a contract with the public sector in which it commits to pay for improved social outcomes. The Peterborough pilot is funded by investment raised through a social impact bond. A number of organisations deliver intervention work under the **One Service** brand to 3,000 short-sentenced men released from HMP Peterborough.

This approach offers released prisoners the opportunity to change their lives by focusing on the causes of their offending behaviour across a range of tried and tested pathways to reduce re-offending.

Integrated offender management links up with other areas of work within the city to make longer-term change a realistic prospect. These include the **family recovery project**, **safer schools**, the **drug interventions programme**, the development of a city-wide approach to **anti-social behaviour** and the harm caused by **alcohol misuse**.

Mental health

The partnership acknowledges the role mental health plays as an overarching theme and we continue to ensure it is embedded across our priority areas. We will work to recommendations of Lord Bradley's report: 'review of people with mental health problems or learning disabilities in the criminal justice system.'



Safeguarding vulnerable adults

Linking with the Peterborough **adult safeguarding board** ensures any policy or legislation changes impact on the wider community safety agenda. This joint approach will help protect those most vulnerable within our communities.

Tackling anti-social behaviour and hate crime

The partnership's anti-social behaviour team focuses on providing support for victims. Reports of incidents have been steadily increasing and this reflects an increase in the public's confidence in the team's ability to resolve anti-social behaviour issues.

In more than 65 per cent of cases where a perpetrator is warned about their behaviour, the anti-social behaviour stops. The majority (95 per cent) of signed acceptable behaviour contracts (ABCs) prevent further acts of anti-social behaviour occurring.

Hate crime reporting data is analysed by the partnership and reporting is encouraged via the police, a third party reporting scheme, Peterborough Racial Equality Council, Cross Keys Homes and Crimestoppers.

An independent case review group ensures those organisations with responsibility for tackling hate crime are doing so in the most effective way possible.

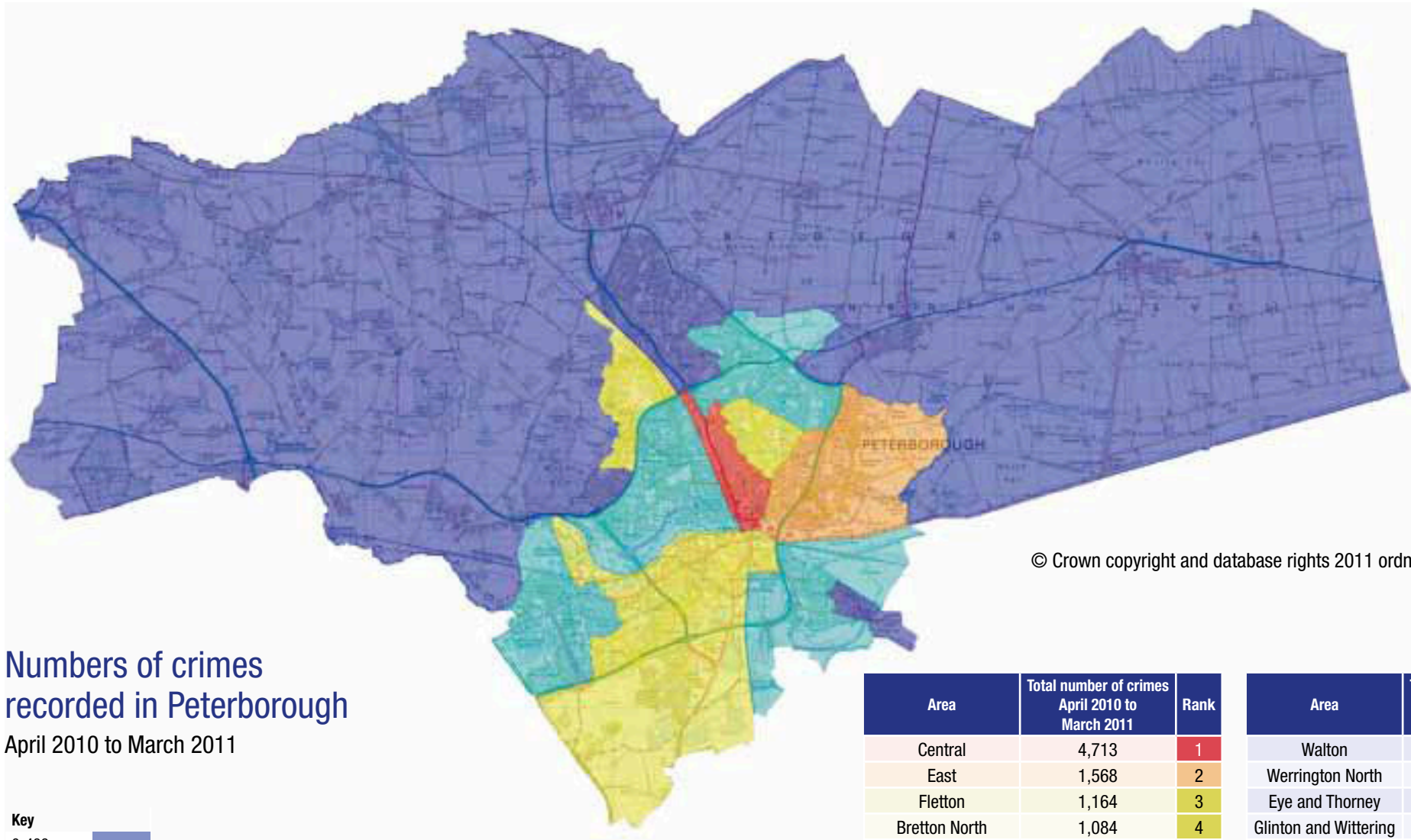
Transformation of neighbourhood delivery

The city council's **neighbourhood management** approach is designed to resolve root causes of issues affecting a community.

We want to ensure communities have the opportunity - and are empowered - to action and influence services and change in their local neighbourhoods through **community action plans**.

Neighbourhood committees have a key role in developing and monitoring the implementation of community action plans.

Police neighbourhood panels and parish councils are strengthened with the growth of neighbourhood committees.



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Numbers of crimes recorded in Peterborough

April 2010 to March 2011

Key

0-499	
500-999	
1000-1499	
1500-1999	
2000 plus	

Area	Total number of crimes April 2010 to March 2011	Rank
Central	4,713	1
East	1,568	2
Fletton	1,164	3
Bretton North	1,084	4
Orton with Hampton	1,063	5
Orton Longueville	1,016	6
Park	1,000	7
Ravensthorpe	932	8
Dogsthorpe	893	9
Orton Waterville	776	10
West	723	11
Paston	696	12
North	613	13
Stanground Central	599	14

Area	Total number of crimes April 2010 to March 2011	Rank
Walton	451	15
Werrington North	410	16
Eye and Thorney	365	17
Glinton and Wittering	265	18
Werrington South	238	19
Bretton South	141	20
Newborough	129	21
Stanground East	113	22
Barnack	70	23
Northborough	50	24

Other areas of focus

While our three priority areas cover a wide range of the city's safety issues, work continues across other themes to ensure we continue to reduce crime.

Road safety

The partnership's road safety priority is the combination of education, engineering, enforcement and encouragement activities focused on reducing the number of road traffic casualties.

Over the last 10 years the number of people killed and seriously injured on Peterborough roads has reduced by 40 per cent. The road safety action plan prioritises areas of work with young drivers, speeding, motorcyclists, drink and drug driving, in-car safety and young people.

In 2010 more than 1,000 young people took part in road safety programmes delivered by the partnership.

The road safety task and finish group runs under the authority of the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Road Safety Partnership, which is responsible for the delivery of road safety across Peterborough and Cambridgeshire.



Community cohesion and population change

Each area of priority has undergone an equalities impact assessment to ensure the work we are doing considers the impact of our migrant communities and the needs of vulnerable groups.

Preventing violent extremism is addressed by a cohesion board that reports to **The Greater Peterborough Partnership**. The chair of the cohesion board and its lead officer have a seat on the SaferPeterborough partnership board.

Victims and witnesses

The needs of victims and witnesses are vital in all the work the partnership undertakes. A key area of activity is to ensure communities receive feedback about the outcome of prosecutions in their area.

Working with the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Probation Trust has enabled **Community Payback** to be more visible, which demonstrates justice is not only being done but it is seen to be done.

Performance

A monthly SaferPeterborough partnership performance meeting is responsible for monitoring progress against our priorities and reporting to the SaferPeterborough board.



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Partnership board

The SaferPeterborough partnership board fulfils the duties of a crime and disorder reduction partnership (CDRP) as set out within the Crime and Disorder Act.

The Police and Crime Act 2009 extends these responsibilities to include a duty to implement a strategy to reduce re-offending by adult and young offenders.

The board provides strategic direction for the work of the partnership by:

- Assessing the needs within the area
- Overseeing planning and strategy
- Establishing performance targets
- Clearing blockages to performance
- Resource management
- Compliance with the national guidance in relation to crime, drugs and anti-social behaviour
- Commission of drug treatment services

Task and finish groups

Task and finish groups exist for the key priority areas of partnership business. Each group has a theme lead who is responsible for delivering on their business area and producing an action plan.

The purpose of task and finish groups is to:

- Use intelligence-led problem solving to develop action plans that facilitate performance against the partnership plan
- Monitor performance against targets within the partnership plan
- Identify funding to deliver agreed action plans
- Form sub-groups where necessary for a distinct area of business
- Identify areas of success and use these to influence the work of other task and finish groups

Domestic abuse and sexual assault

Crime statistics and research show domestic abuse is heavily gender biased. Usually the perpetrator of a pattern of repeated assaults is male, while women experience the most serious physical and repeated assaults.

The SaferPeterborough partnership also recognises:

- Men can be victims of domestic abuse
- Women can perpetrate domestic abuse
- Domestic abuse can take place in gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender relationships

The partnership therefore aims to support anyone affected by domestic abuse.

Rape is associated with the most severe cases of domestic abuse and is a risk factor for domestic homicide. The partnership continues to support the work of the **Oasis @ Rivergate** (sexual assault referral centre) and maintain links with the police-led county-wide multi-agency referral unit.

Have your say

The partnership is committed to ensuring any member of our community can access information about the partnership plan.

We want to know what you have to say about the partnership's priorities and how we deliver them. There are a number of ways you can talk to us.

Visit our website www.saferpeterborough.org.uk and feedback to us by clicking the 'Have Your Say' button on every page.

Come to Face the People consultation events

We are at the Peterborough Festival (Central Park) and Christmas lights switch-on events. High-ranking decision makers from the partnership attend these events and talk to you about crime and community safety concerns in your neighbourhoods, what you would like to see improved and what priorities you think we should focus on.

You can view Face the People consultation results on www.saferpeterborough.org.uk or call (01733) 747474 and ask for the SaferPeterborough team, who will send you a copy.

Neighbourhood panel meetings

You can have your say on policing where you live and issues that need tackling in your neighbourhood so that action can be taken.

Police are at these quarterly meetings and are joined by representatives from the partnership who help shape policing priorities for the area.

Three priorities are chosen at the meetings for the neighbourhood policing team to tackle over a period of three months.

For details of your next panel meeting visit www.cambs.police.uk.

Neighbourhood Watch

Neighbourhood Watch is a community initiative supported by the police but owned and run by local residents.

It aims to help residents protect themselves and their property from crime by improving home security, greater vigilance, reporting of suspicious incidents to police and by fostering a community spirit.

All watch schemes are different and are tailored to the make-up of the neighbourhood and local community.

For information call your neighbourhood policing team on 0345 456 456 4.



The SaferPeterborough partnership is working with the One Service to support short-sentenced male prisoners through and beyond the prison gate by offering proactive and one-to-one support to address their needs and prevent re-offending.

The One Service is funded by social investment raised through a **social impact bond**. The bond was announced by the justice secretary and is an innovative way to bring new money into the social sector.

A social impact bond raises private investment to pay for services, which are delivered by social sector providers with a proven track record. Financial returns to investors are funded by the Ministry of Justice and are based on improved social outcomes. If outcomes do not improve, then investors will receive no recompense.

The social impact bond in Peterborough funds organisations working to reduce re-offending rates of short-sentence male prisoners leaving HMP Peterborough.

The One Service is located at: Hayward House, Rightwell East, Bretton Centre, Bretton, Peterborough, PE3 8DX.



Victim Support offers free and confidential help to victims of crime and you do not have to report a crime to the police to get its help. Victim Support is not a government agency or part of the police.

A witness service operates in every criminal court to help people called as witnesses.

The Victim Supportline (0845 30 30 900) gives immediate help over the phone and will put you in touch with the local team.



Are you worried about what might happen to you if you talk to the police about a crime? Or are you scared to come forward and be a witness?

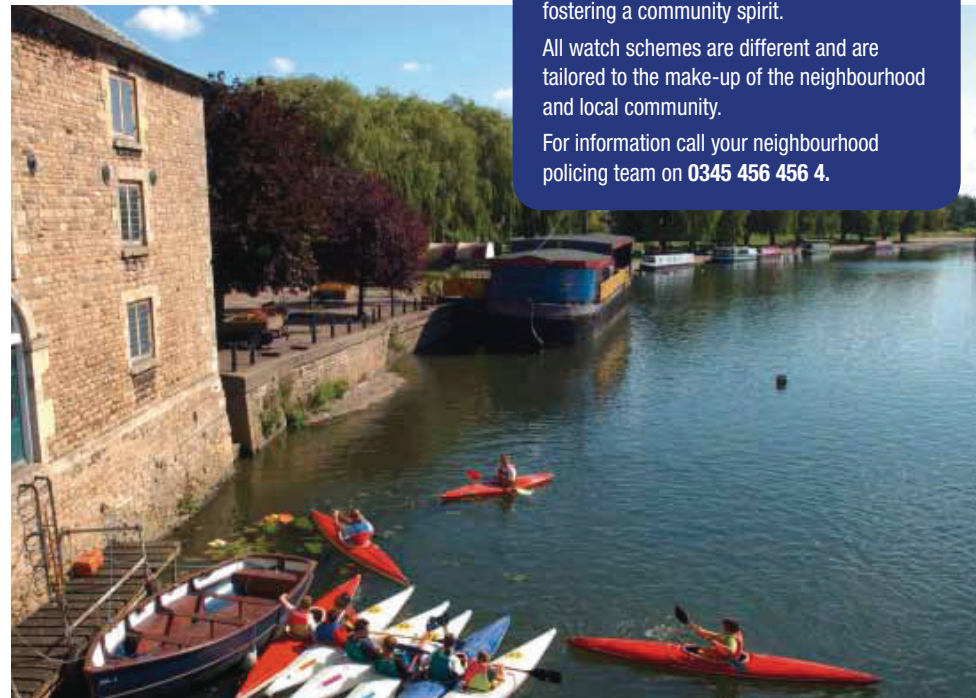
You can pass on information to Crimestoppers without revealing your identity.

- Crimestoppers records no personal details about you
- You will not be required to give your name or address
- Your call will not be recorded or traced
- You will not have to make a statement or appear in court

Crimestoppers is not an emergency service and if you see a crime taking place you should call 999 to report it immediately.

To give information anonymously to Crimestoppers call 0800 555 111.

Visit www.crimestoppers-uk.org or www.fearless.org



Neighbourhood management

Neighbourhood management is designed to improve joint delivery of services from different organisations representing the SaferPeterborough partnership to our communities.

The aim is to tailor delivery to the needs and priorities of individual neighbourhoods and make a local team responsible for ensuring those improvements and change are delivered.

It requires effective participation by local people and organisations committed to working in partnership at a neighbourhood level.

There are three neighbourhood managers who cover the city in three areas:

- Central and East team
- South team
- North and West team

Each manager is supported by teams of officers within the city council neighbourhood services department whose roles include housing enforcement, environmental enforcement and pollution control.

Neighbourhood managers also support the seven neighbourhood committees.

Neighbourhood committees

Neighbourhood committees (previously called neighbourhood councils) are made up of elected city council members along with representatives from parish councils, Cambridgeshire Constabulary, Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Fire Authority, registered social landlords and members of local community groups.

The quarterly meetings represent a way of delegating decision-making to local areas, enabling communities to have a say about issues and how services are delivered in their area.

Community action plans that include identified priorities and actions to address the needs of each community are created for each committee.

The long-term effectiveness of neighbourhood committees relies on the number of residents attending them. The committees provide an opportunity for people to influence and shape their neighbourhoods.



For details of the next neighbourhood committee in your area, call **(01733) 747474** and ask for the neighbourhood management team or email **neighbourhoods@peterborough.gov.uk**

The seven neighbourhood committees are:

Rural North - Northborough, Barnack, Glington and Wittering, Newborough and Eye and Thorney wards

Peterborough North - Werrington north, and Werrington south, plus Paston and Walton wards

Peterborough West - Bretton north and Bretton south, plus West and Ravensthorpe wards

Central and North - Central and North wards

Dogsthorpe, East and Park - Dogsthorpe, East and Park wards

Fletton, Stanground and Woodston - Stanground Central, Stanground East, and Fletton and Woodston wards

Ortons with Hampton - Orton with Hampton, Orton Longueville and Orton Waterville wards



THE GREATER PETERBOROUGH PARTNERSHIP

The Greater Peterborough Partnership (GPP) is the body that unites the many and varied organisations involved in the future development of Peterborough to enable them to work together with a common purpose and a shared vision: a bigger and better Peterborough.

Partners working through The Greater Peterborough Partnership share a common goal to improve the quality of life in our communities and ensure everyone benefits from growth and opportunities.

To support this vision the partners have identified the following four areas of work as part of a **sustainable community strategy**, which are being prioritised in order to achieve the vision:

1. **Creating opportunities - tackling inequalities**
2. **Creating strong and supportive communities**
3. **Creating the UK's environment capital**
4. **Delivering substantial and truly sustainable growth**

The SaferPeterborough partnership is committed to supporting these priorities and with particular focus on the **creating strong and supportive communities** vision. This priority has been created with the below deliverable outcomes:

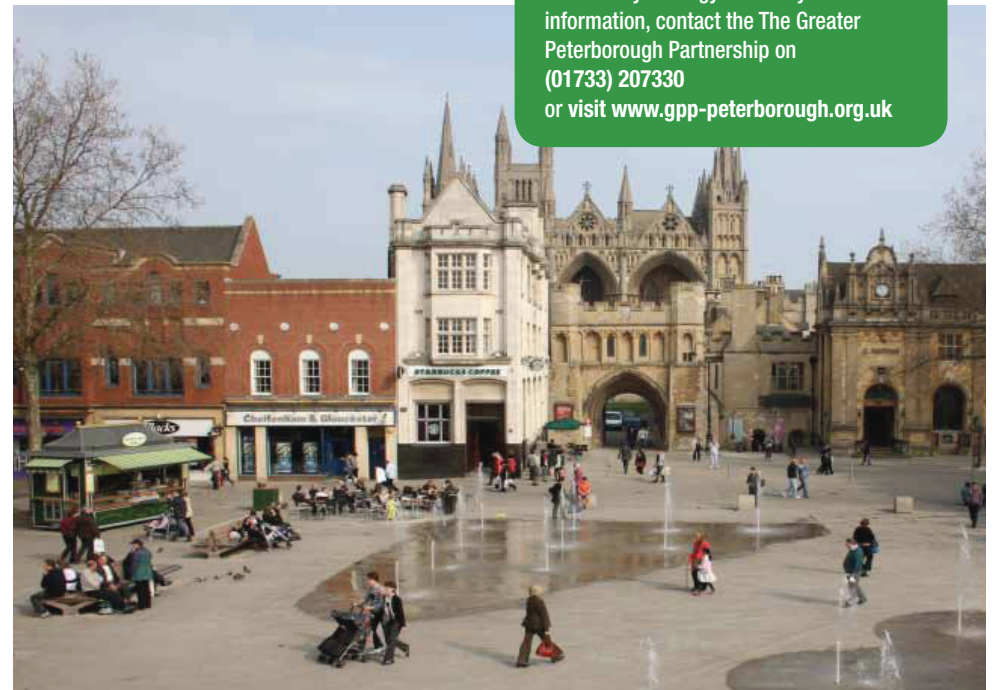
Empowering local communities...so that all communities and individuals are engaged and empowered and take their opportunities to shape the future of Peterborough.

Making Peterborough safer...so that people of all ages and abilities can live, work and play in a prosperous and successful Peterborough without undue fear of crime.

Building community cohesion...so that new communities are integrated into Peterborough and welcomed for the contribution they bring to our city and rural areas.

Building pride in Peterborough...so that we recognise, celebrate and take pride in Peterborough's achievements, its diverse but shared culture and the exciting opportunities for leisure and relaxation.

To view a copy of the sustainable community strategy summary or for more information, contact the The Greater Peterborough Partnership on **(01733) 207330** or visit **www.gpp-peterborough.org.uk**





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SAFER PETERBOROUGH PARTNERSHIP

COMMUNITY SAFETY PRIORITIES 2013

(Part of the 2011-14 three-year Safer Peterborough Partnership Plan)

Our Vision Statement

Peterborough Together: reducing crime, building safe and confident communities

1. Introduction

The plan provides details of the Safer Peterborough Partnership's priorities for 2013/14.

This does not replace the three-year Safer Peterborough Partnership Plan 2011-2014, rather it should be read as an addendum representing a continuation of the three-year journey to reduce crime in our City. It is informed by the in-depth evidentially based 2012/13 Safer Peterborough Partnership Strategic Assessment.

It continues with the three-year plan's overall strategy and strengthens our approach in tackling the root causes of crime rather than reactively responding only to the symptoms. It also takes account of the impact of the country's austerity measures and public service reforms.

2. Legislative Framework

This plan is written in accordance with the responsibilities placed upon Community Safety Partnerships as set out within the Crime and Disorder Act 1998. It represents the annual refresh of the three-year plan as mandated within the above named Act.

Full details of the legislative framework can be found within section two of the aforementioned three-year plan.

3. Three year priorities

The three-year partnership plan identified three areas of overarching priority for its duration. These priorities will remain for the coming year; the Partnership will concentrate its resources on activity to support these priorities. The overarching priorities remain:

- **Reducing crime**
- **Tackling anti-social behaviour and hate crime**
- **Building stronger and more supportive communities**

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The Partnership will continue to have only **one measurable target**: a 10 per cent reduction in victim based crime over the three year duration of the plan.

We will deliver that target by prioritising a number of themes where the Partnership can add real value. Each of these themes will be led by an identified member of the Partnership Board who will take responsibility for ensuring these themes make a positive contribution to the overall agenda of reducing crime and disorder. The Partnership will continue to support each of its statutory agencies in delivering their core functions.

We will continue to relentlessly monitor our performance against our peers and, by developing more in-depth local analysis, we will ensure:

- Continuous improvement;
- Closing the gap on our peers;
- Out-performing our most similar group's average crime rates.

A performance framework will support this single target and will continue to be reported to the Partnership Board on a monthly basis.

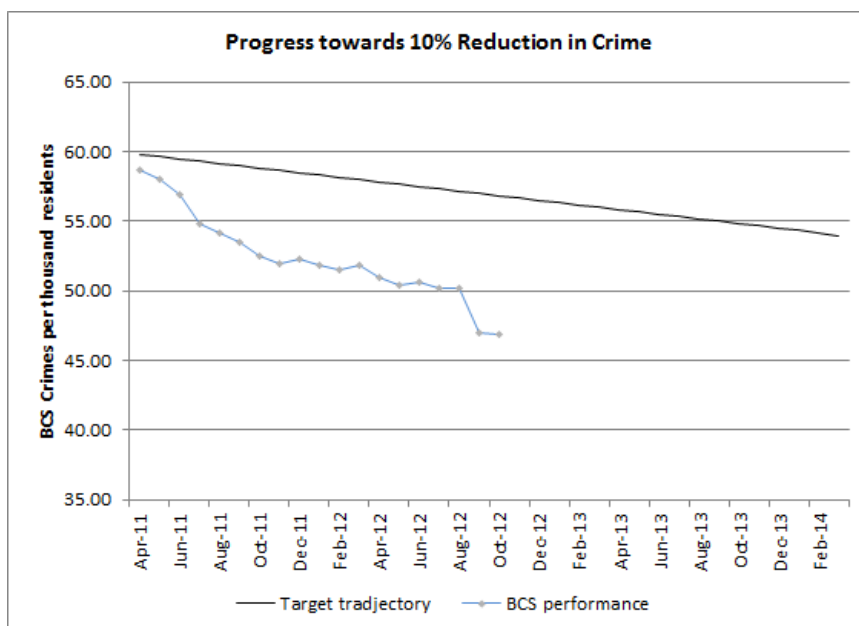
4. Background

This plan is informed by the 2012/13 Safer Peterborough Partnership Strategic Assessment which sets out a number of recommendations for continuing the fight against crime and continuing to make Peterborough a safer place.

The potential impact of the country's austerity measures, cuts to public sector budgets and welfare reform, coupled with significant changes to public service structures make 2013/14 an increasingly challenging year in maintaining our recent successes at reducing crime and disorder.

2012/13 saw crime continue to fall in Peterborough. However, the pace of reduction has slowed considerably and a new plateau seems to have been reached in levels of recorded crime. It will require thought, imagination and strengthened resolve to move over this plateau and continue our downward trend.

Peterborough ranks 48th highest nationally out of all 322 CSPs in England and Wales for crimes per thousand population. In 2009, when the Audit Commission raised significant concerns about crime levels in Peterborough, Peterborough was the 19th highest CSP in the country.



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The three-year plan is clear that the Partnership will be committed to tackling the **underlying causes of crime and offending**, but **equally clear** that **those who continue** to break the law will be **targeted** with the full weight of the criminal justice system. It remains the Partnership's view that this approach will bring sustainable reductions in crime by preventing crime and escalation in offending further 'upstream'.

The Partnership will ensure that the direction of travel for community safety work in the City places the law abiding citizen at the heart of its approach and one of its priority work streams will reflect this. Work will be prioritised to ensure the City benefits from modern up-to-date services for victims.

The Partnership will therefore **continue to support** our statutory agencies in delivering their own core function but will co-ordinate and lead on the work where it feels it can **provide the biggest impact - that of prevention**.

Peterborough's Community Safety Partnership benefits hugely from the positive engagement of the City's largest social housing provider, Cross Key's Homes; Sodexo Justice Services who operate the privately run HMP Peterborough; and representatives from the voluntary sector. All add valuable contributions to the crime and disorder debate.

In addition, one of the country's first criminal justice based 'payment by results' initiatives operates within the City under the working title of The One Service. The One Service has engaged fully at a strategic board level and has embedded their work at a practical operational level with existing criminal justice providers.

The Partnership will continue to develop its multi-agency team approach to tackling the underlying causes of crime and it is these areas that will form the basis for continuing partnership activity for the coming twelve months.

True and sustainable change comes from within and as such the Partnership will continue to support the work of the Council in integrating its approach to neighbourhood management with the community safety agenda to improve the quality of life in each area and the Partnership supports the view that improving quality of life and equality of opportunity for all will reduce crime and anti-social behaviour. It fully embraces the broken window theory.

The integration of public health within the local authority adds an extra and important dimension in helping to tackle the long term effects of crime, as well as playing its part in preventing the opportunity for offending behaviour to deteriorate; in particular this will include developing further links with mental health and learning disability professionals in order that the most vulnerable victims and offenders gain the support they need.

The City continues to develop its Single Delivery Plan (SDP). The Partnership is committed to playing its part in moving the City forward by embracing the guiding principles of the SDP:

- Outcomes not organisations
- Tackling root causes
- Being innovative
- Embracing localism

Programme six of the Single Delivery Plan is dedicated to reducing crime and the Safer Peterborough Partnership Board will continue to act as the Programme Board for this area of work.

5. SAFER PETERBOROUGH PRIORITY WORKSTREAMS FOR 2013/14

We will continue on our three year journey to reduce the number of victims of crime by supporting our partner agencies in delivery of their core roles and will prioritise our partnership work as follows:

Vulnerable People and Groups

The Partnership will ensure that vulnerable people and groups, and those at risk of becoming vulnerable, are identified and supported appropriately and not disproportionately suffer as victims of crime.

This theme will be led by Wendi Ogle-Welbourn (Assistant Director, Children's Services, PCC) and Adrian Chapman (Head of Neighbourhoods, PCC)

We will do this by:

- Prioritising a role within the partnership delivery team to lead and co-ordinate services for victims within the City. This role will link with the Cambridgeshire-wide work being conducted by the Office of the Policing and Crime Commissioner in readiness for the commissioning of victims services from 2014 onwards.
- Prioritising work within the partnership delivery team as Connecting Families Programme 'Connectors'. Both of the above roles will work alongside the City's Anti-Social Behaviour team ensuring that victims of ASB are included in such support work.
- Ensuring the Partnership actively contribute to the work led by Adult Social Care (Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults) and Children's Social Care (Safeguarding Children).
- Ensuring that the Partnership have more visibility and active involvement in supporting the work around Child Sexual Exploitation by the appointment of a Domestic Abuse & Sexual Violence Co-ordinator who will also lead on this area of work for the partnership delivery team.
- Developing a solid understanding of the potential impact of welfare reform upon crime and the effect this may have on performance and regularly reporting this as part of the Partnership performance framework.
- Ensuring that the Partnership strengthens its work and support of Neighbourhood Watch and other community groups and associations in order that those vulnerable in the community have greater support.
- Forge greater operational links across the various programmes with colleagues from Children's Services, in particular the Youth Offending Service.
- Scrutinising shoplifting as a specific theme as an indicator of the potential impact of welfare reform.
- Work together with businesses against crimes, including the Business Against Crime Scheme, to help develop and deliver the most effective strategies for gathering knowledge of shoplifting and its perpetrators.
- Work together with soon to be established Credit Union and other charitable organisations to ultimately mitigate any increasing trends of shoplifting arising from the impact of welfare reform.

Anti-Social Behaviour /Quality of Life and Road Safety Services

The Partnership will prioritise work around ASB and quality of life issues within the City; cognisant of the 'broken window theory'. Analysis has shown that there are clear correlations between ASB, criminal damage, alcohol related issues and deprivation; in addition looking more holistically at quality of life incidents, as opposed to looking at these issues in isolation, provides the opportunity

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to make real savings in terms of the time taken by different teams to address problems which may have been identified to more than one agency.

This theme will be led by Paul Phillipson (Executive Director Operations, PCC) and Councillor Irene Walsh (Cabinet Member for Safety and Cohesion, PCC)

We will do this by:

- Developing a City-wide anti-social behaviour strategy and development plan led by the Board.
- Continuing to develop robust case management of individual cases and an intelligence led approach to the identification of emerging trends.
- Improve and develop data sharing as a priority.
- The ASB task and finish group should be reinstated and be the lead group for developing the approach to ASB
- ASB will be a standing performance item at monthly board meetings.
- Continuing to deliver Road Safety Services within the Partnership delivery team to ensure that the numbers of those killed or seriously injured on the City's roads are reduced.
- Developing the City's road safety services through a specific road safety task and finish plan that is reported to the Board on a quarterly basis or at whatever other intervals the Board feel necessary.

Integrated Offender Management

The Partnership will continue to support the view that a relatively small number of individuals have a disproportionate impact upon crime levels in the City and that targeted work with these individuals will have the biggest impact upon levels of recorded crime. Thus, the Partnership will continue to develop the integrated approach to offender management.

This theme will be led by Mike Dyson (Assistant Chief Probation Officer, Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Probation Trust)

We will do this by:

- Integrated Offender Management will continue to have its own task and finish group reporting dually to the Cambridgeshire-wide CCJB IOM Strategic Group and to the SPP. The group will continue to work for opportunities for better case management tools and co-location.
- Ensuring continued work on the Performance Framework and more specifically on the Outcome Tool to assess which interventions are most effective and identify any gaps in meeting offender needs.
- Developing further the work with JobCentre Plus to address the impact of the welfare reforms for the offenders, and the potential impact on their offending behaviour.
- Supporting the work of the Probation Trust through proposed Government changes.
- The Partnership should ensure that the work being developed to ensure an increase in capacity for access to mental health services for victims and offenders continues.

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- Performance of the Integrated Approach to Offender Management will be reported to the Board on a quarterly basis

Domestic Abuse

The Partnership will continue to prioritise, develop and improve the City's response to Domestic Abuse.

This theme will be led by Paul Phillipson (Executive Director Operations, PCC) supported by Karen Kibblewhite (Safer Peterborough Manager, Cutting Crime, PCC)

We will do this by:

- Developing a joined-up City-wide approach to domestic abuse through the Domestic Abuse Governance Board.
- Increasing the capacity of the services in line with the Domestic Abuse Needs Audit 2012, and continue to review and develop services for both perpetrators, and for children and young people.
- Prioritising funding to employ a Domestic Abuse & Sexual Violence Co-ordinator to lead this work.
- Learning the lessons from any Domestic Homicide Reviews in order to ensure improvements in service delivery
- Undertaking further work with all partners to ensure that data they collect in relation to domestic abuse is in a compatible format so a clear picture to the extent of the issue in Peterborough can be developed.

Reducing the Harm caused by Substance Misuse

The Partnership will continue to support the development and delivery of high class modern drug and alcohol services for the City based upon the latest Government drug and alcohol strategies.

This theme will be led by Gary Goose (Safer Peterborough Strategic Manager and Chair JCG) supported by Karen Kibblewhite (Safer Peterborough Manager, Cutting Crime, PCC)

We will do this by:

- Continually monitoring the performance of drug and alcohol delivery services within the City; holding them and ourselves to account for performance.
- Report back performance on a quarterly basis to the Board or at any other intervals they see fit.
- Develop services further through a comprehensive treatment plan reported to and agreed by the Board.
- Ensure that drug and alcohol providers are included in other complimentary harm reduction schemes such as IOM, ASB and Connecting Families

Dwelling Burglary

The Partnership will continue to prioritise burglary as a core indicator of levels of serious acquisitive crime. We will support work that drives down burglary further.

This theme will be led by Dan Vajzovic (District Policing Commander)

We will do this by:

- Burglary offenders will continue to be prioritised within the Integrated Offender Management Scheme.
- Burglary suspects will be tested where appropriate for drugs at point of entry into the criminal justice system.
- The Partnership continuing to offer support as necessary to the police in support of the victims of burglary.

Violent Crime linked to the Night-Time Economy.

The City will continue to prioritise its response to violent crime and in particular violent crime linked to the night-time economy.

This theme will be led by the City Council's City Centre team.

We will do this by:

- Undertaking full analysis of violent crime to ensuring a proper understanding of the amount of violent crime linked to the night time economy, the use of the Police marker by the Constabulary to indicate violence in a licensed premise should be improved.
- Taking the lead role in ensuring that violence in the City Centre and otherwise linked to the night-time economy is reduced. That activity across partners is balanced and that the City compliments the need to improve the vibrancy and economy of the City Centre with the need for people to be safe and feel safe.

Racially Aggravated Offences and Hate Crime

The Partnership will continue to recognise the special impact of racially aggravated offences and hate crime in all its forms.

This theme will be led by M J Ladha (Chief Executive of Peterborough Racial Equality Council)

We will do this by:

- Prioritising funding to appoint a new role to lead on Anti-social behaviour/hate crime and victim services.
- Carrying out further, in-depth analysis around all prejudicial incidents and crimes across the city to provide more detailed insight. Developing a more comprehensive performance framework that is reported back to the Board on a quarterly basis or at intervals decided by the Board.

Safer Peterborough Partnership Plan 2013

- Raising awareness of reporting – through Open Out Scheme/ effective network of reporting centres that in the victim's perception can be trusted.
- Improving our knowledge from schools.

Sustainability, Performance, Value for Money and Communication

The Partnership recognises the drivers that pose a potential threat to sustainability of current structures and will look to increase sustainability in order to maintain and improve the City's safety and feelings of safety.

This theme will be led by Nick Leader (Governor, HMP Peterborough) and Gary Goose (Safer Peterborough Strategic Manager)

We will do this by:

- Continuing to work together as a cohesive partnership; one that is flexible, adaptable and responsive to changing need and demand.
- Looking at different operating models, including greater co-operation with other areas; in order to maintain sustainability of service in the years ahead.
- Developing the partnership performance framework to include all available data and that where there are gaps in local data the Partnership influences closure of those gaps.
- The Partnership should continue to fund the specific partnership analyst post.

6. CONCLUSION

In conclusion, this plan sets out the Safer Peterborough Partnership's desire to make real and long lasting positive improvements to the safety and perceptions of safety within our City. It is innovative in that it does not simply concentrate on traditional categories of crime; but does that in the knowledge that this approach is already making real change in the city and in with belief in the City's preventative agenda.

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Performance Report November 2013

(data to the end of October)

Gary Goose

Safer Peterborough Performance Monitoring

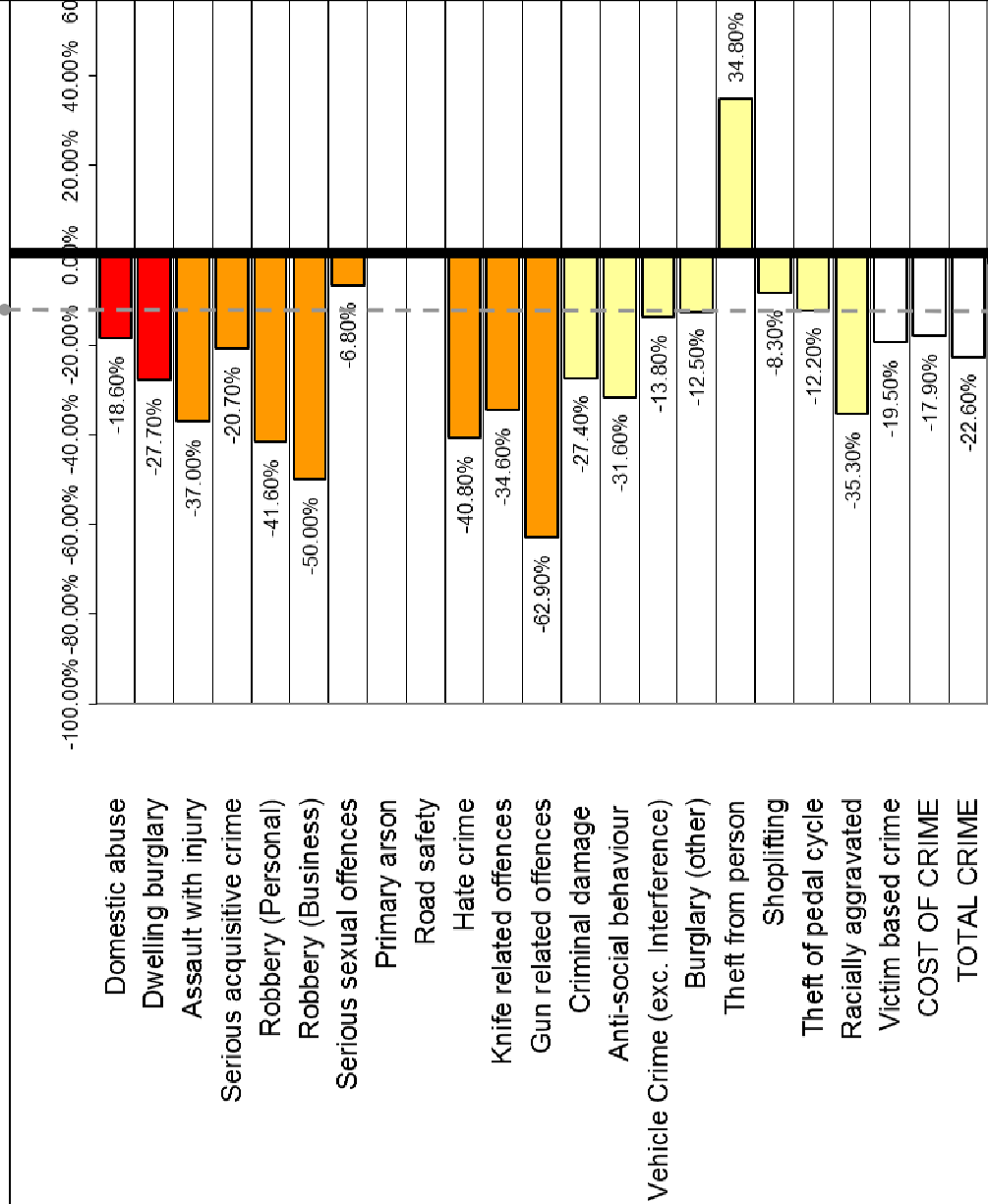
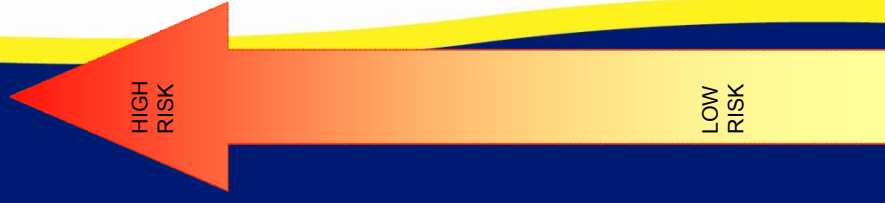
The Safer Peterborough Partnership Performance Framework will aim to illustrate:

Indicator 1: Peterborough's month on month change in levels of crime, with a view to meeting or exceeding the 10% reduction target for 2014

Indicator 2: Peterborough's rate of improvement compared to the other 329 Community Safety Partnerships in England and Wales

Indicator 3: Complaints that affect citizen's quality of life

Indicator 1: Continuous improvement

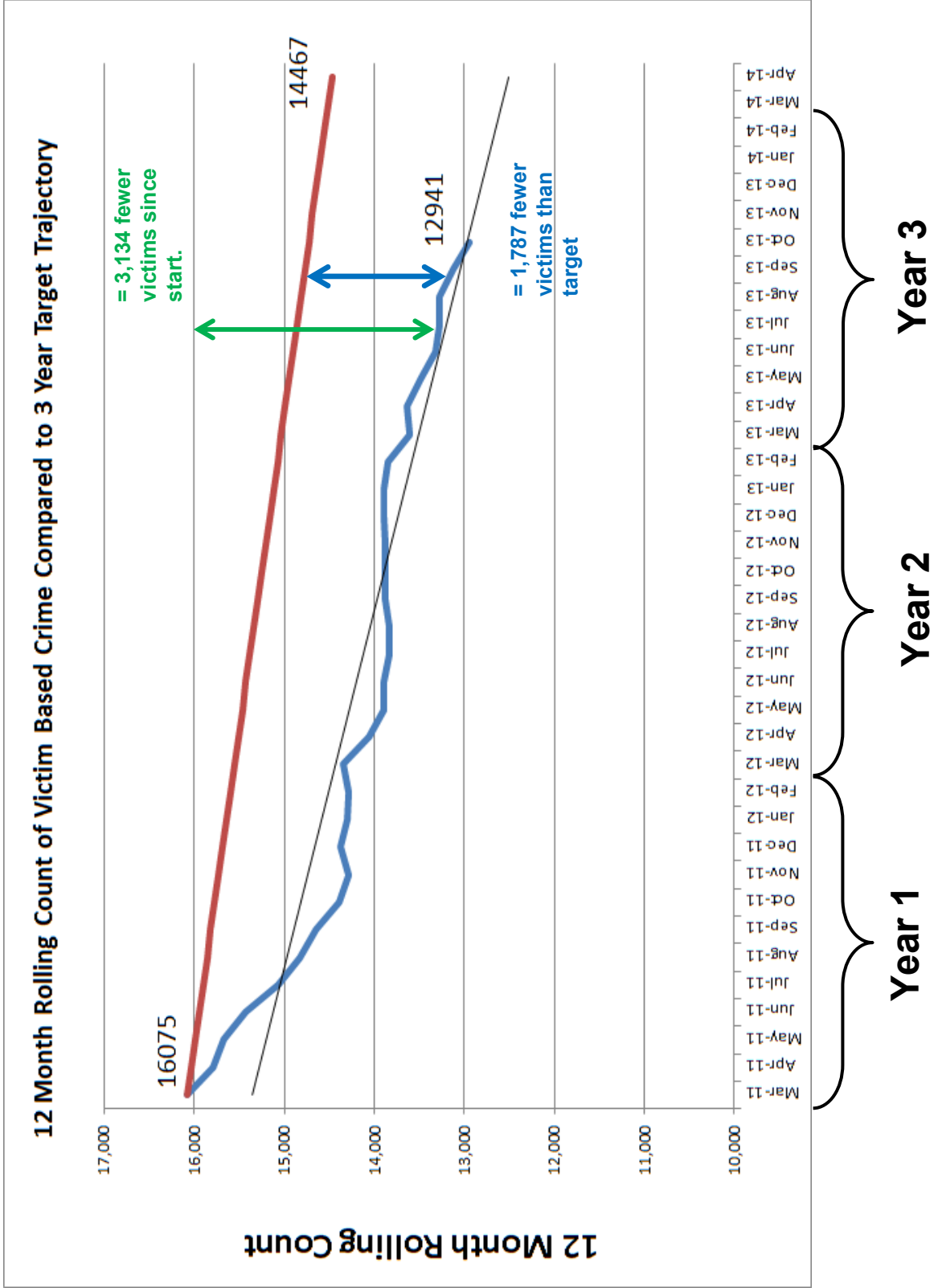


MONTHLY CHANGE OVERVIEW

- ASB recorded another drop from 933 in September to 914 in October, although 12 month rolling figures showed a slight overall increase by 0.3%.
- Vehicle Crime (exc. Interference) recorded the lowest monthly count of 82 and accordingly recorded its lowest 12 month rolling count of 13.8% since Oct-12.
- Theft from Person recorded a lower than average volume of offences for the month (26), which resulted in the lowest 12 month rolling total of 34.8 above the baseline since Jan-13 (33.9).
- The Cost of Crime in September declined to 17.9% below the baseline; a record low.
- October saw a decrease in the number of Total Crimes, from 1,205 in September to 1,160 in October; a month on month reduction of 3.9% and 12 month rolling reduction stretching a further 1.2% to 22.6% below the baseline.

10% Target reduction Baseline

Indicator 1: Continuous improvement



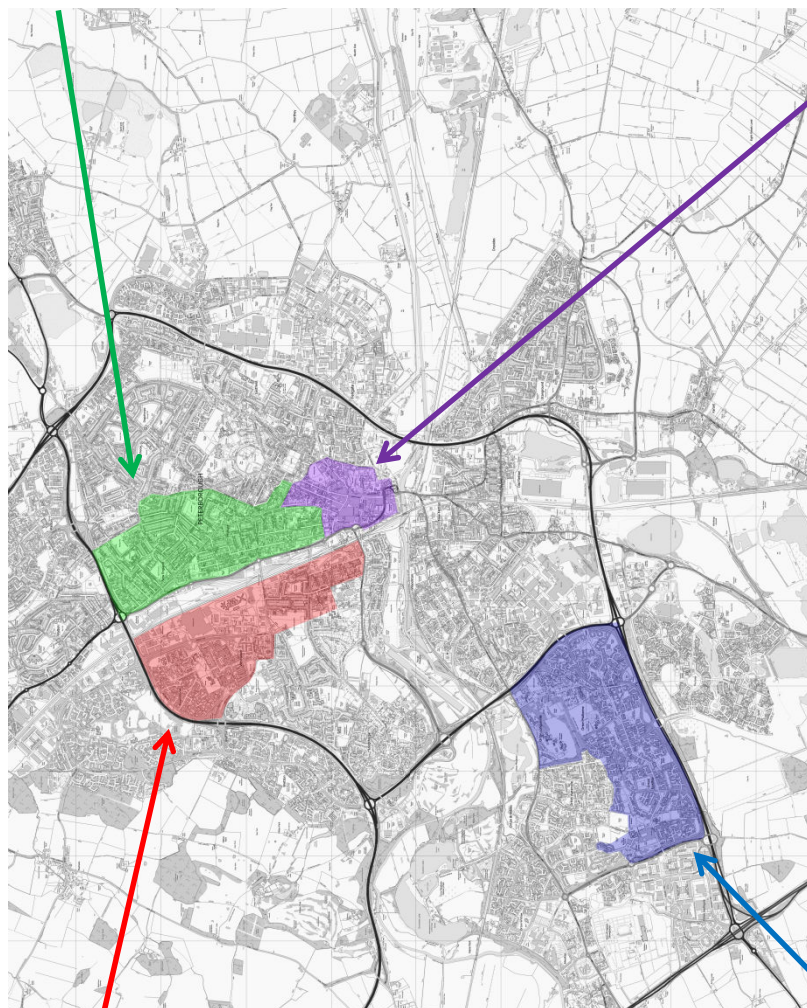
Microbeat summary

WWRAP

- Crime: Maintained a low Total Crime number of 55 and has accordingly fallen to 11.5% below the baseline.
- QoL: Recorded a record high of 209, almost entirely due to a rapid increase in Flytipping Cleanups.
- ASB: Recorded the same low amount of ASB as the previous month (48), but fell to 1.3% below the baseline.

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- Crime: Recorded another monthly reduction to 102 after a peak of 158 in August-13. Accordingly, Total Crime is now 9.7% below the baseline.
- QoL: Recorded a record high of 298, almost entirely due to a rapid increase in Flytipping Cleanups.
- ASB: Recorded another monthly reduction to 88 from a peak in of 136 in July-13. The 12 month rolling total is fluctuating around the baseline.



HALO

- Crime: Recorded one of the lowest counts of Total Crime (62) and is now accordingly 14.9% below the baseline.
- QoL: Recorded a penultimate high of 120, almost entirely due to a rapid increase in Flytipping Cleanups.
- ASB: Recorded a very low count of ASB (55) - almost half of a peak in August-13 (103) - and is accordingly only 1.9% above the baseline.

City centre

- Crime: Maintained a similar number to last month (195) and dropped to 7.4% below the baseline.
- QoL: Recorded another gradual increase to 52 and is now 10.6% above the baseline.
- ASB: Dropped to 73 after August-13's peak of 106, yet is still 14.4% above the baseline.

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STRONG AND SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE	Agenda Item No. 6
15 JANUARY 2014	Public Report

Report of the Strategic Manager: Safer and Stronger Peterborough

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FLY-TIPPING PROSECUTIONS

1. PURPOSE

- 1.1 This report is to update the Strong and Supportive Communities Scrutiny Committee on ‘Fly-tipping’ prosecutions undertaken by the authority.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 Members are asked to note the level of activity in relation to fly-tipping and associated offences and the approach taken by the council to ensure the City maintains a clean environment.

3. LINKS TO THE SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY STRATEGY

- 3.1 The Sustainable Community Strategy aims to deliver a bigger and better Peterborough, through improving the quality of life for all. Tackling all forms of environmental crime helps to establish a clean and safe city, thereby helping to improve quality of life within our communities.

4. BACKGROUND

- 4.1 Fly tipping is the term to describe the act of the illegal dumping of rubbish (household, commercial or industrial). The most common fly-tipped waste is household waste. The type of waste has in the past included a single plastic bag, larger items such as furniture, white goods such as fridges and freezers, tyres, a bathroom suite and hazardous waste such as oil drums. Hazardous or not, the dumping of waste is illegal and comes with a serious cost to the offender. Fly tippers if found guilty can be fined up to £50,000 in a Magistrates’ Court, face unlimited fines in the Crown Court, as well as Community Punishment Orders or prison sentences of up to 5 years. The relevant legislation is Section 33 of the Environmental Protection Act 1990.

5. KEY ISSUES

5.1 Evidence required to undertake a prosecution

- 5.1.1 As a prosecuting authority the Council rely on the Criminal Justice System to deal with fly-tipping which imposes a much higher burden of proof, than being “beyond all reasonable doubt”.
- 5.1.2 Fly tipping can be problematic to prosecute given the need to prove who actually fly-tipped the waste. To establish an offence and to consider a prosecution it is important that the investigating officer has obtained good quality evidence of the alleged offender. It does not necessarily follow that the details found within the waste are of the person who physically dumped the waste. Contemporaneous notes about the fly-tipping incident, timed and dated photographs, CCTV footage, if available, witnesses able to explain clearly what they have seen, and lawfully conducted and recorded interviews are all of critical importance.

5.2 The current process for initiating prosecution of fly-tippers

5.2.1 The process for prosecuting fly-tippers complies with the Code for Crown Prosecutors issued by the Crown Prosecution Service who are the principle public prosecution service for England and Wales. Officers gather evidence and where possible seek to rectify evidential weaknesses. Statutory defences will also be taken into consideration. For clarity the term 'statutory defence' in this case constitutes the following:

- That the person took all reasonable precautions and exercised all due diligence to avoid the commission of an offence OR
- The acts alleged to constitute the contravention were done in an emergency in order to avoid danger to the public and that, as soon as reasonably practicable after they were done, particulars of them were furnished to the waste regulation authority in whose area the treatment or disposal of the waste took place.

5.2.2 The Solicitor to the Council and through delegated powers to appointed Lawyers of the Authority will objectively assess the evidence, taking a view as to whether it can be used and whether it can be relied upon and also any information put forward by the alleged offender before deciding to proceed with a prosecution file.

5.2.3 Accordingly, where there is sufficient evidence to justify a prosecution or to offer an out of Court sanction, the Council must go on to consider whether it is in the public interest to launch a prosecution. The "considerations" are those relating to the prescriptive Public Interest Test and Threshold Test contained within the Code for Crown Prosecutors. In every case where there is sufficient evidence to justify a prosecution, prosecutors must go on to consider whether a prosecution is required in the public interest. Considerations include, seriousness, level of culpability, mental and/or ill health, harm to the victim (although we do not act for the victim but overall for the good of the public), age of defendant (under 18), impact on the community, protection of a source.

5.2.4 Only when all the aforementioned issues have been considered can a move to prosecution by way of summons at the Magistrates Court commence.

5.3 Prosecution v caution v warning letter

5.3.1 The City Council operates an Enforcement Policy approved by the Legal Team, which complies with the Regulatory Compliance Code, and encompasses provisions within the Code for Crown Prosecutions. The Policy ensures that the appropriate sanction is applied and consequently a proportionate approach is taken.

5.3.2 As a public prosecutor the Council will only commence a prosecution when it is satisfied that there is a "realistic prospect of conviction" on the available evidence and the public interest test has been satisfied. If the case does not pass this evidential test it will not go ahead, no matter how important or serious the allegation may be.

5.3.3 In some circumstances it may be appropriate to review cases with a view to seeking alternative sanctions to prosecution including a written warning, clear up costs and offering a caution. The offer of a caution which is accepted and complied with takes the place of a prosecution. Where the opportunity to accept a caution is not accepted by the alleged offender the Council will seek to prosecute for the original offence. In general, the guidance from the Magistrates Association is that the courts view offences committed for commercial gain more seriously than those committed by individuals without any wider profit motive. There is a trend for the Court to hand down conditional and sometimes absolute discharges for first time fly-tipping offenders particularly where there are no aggravating features and guilt is admitted at interview. In these

circumstances it is appropriate for a prosecuting authority to offer a caution or a fixed penalty notice in the first instance.

6. CURRENT PERFORMANCE

6.1 Investigations into allegations of fly-tipping are undertaken by the council's neighbourhood environmental enforcement team (NEOs). This team comprises a total of five members of staff. At the beginning of December 2013 a change of internal structure has led to the team now reporting direct to the Safer Peterborough Strategy Manager.

6.2 The NEOs role combines both enforcement and problem solving elements. The information provided at 5) above outlines why statistics relating to solely categories entitled 'fly-tipping' should be read in the context of the wide interpretation that can be attributed to the term in much the same way as the term 'anti-social behaviour' means many things to many different people.

6.3 The Council are required to forward figures to Government in relation to allegations of fly-tipping. The most recent figures show the following for the first six months of this current financial year:

- 3806 registered issues of fly-tipping and associated offences
- 1097 investigations for fly-tipping and associated offences
- 1839 disposal by fixed penalty notice
- 76 warning letters were issues
- 7 cautions were issued
- 47 prosecutions were instigated.

6.4 These figures indicate an extremely high level of activity by the NEOs, a proportionate level of warnings and cautions where thought to be appropriate but also a resolve to prosecute those who fail to pay fixed penalty notices or where a fixed penalty notice is not thought to be an appropriate form of disposal.

6.5 The most up to date figures will be forwarded prior to the meeting.

7. NEXT STEPS

7.1 For the scrutiny committee to note the level of activity in relation to fly-tipping and associated offences and the proportionate levels of sanction imposed.

8. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

8.1 None

9. APPENDICES

9.1 None

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STRONG AND SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE	Agenda Item No. 7
15 JANUARY 2014	Public Report

Report of the Strategic Partnerships Manager – Resources Directorate

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A STRATEGY FOR CULTURE, RECREATION & THE ARTS FOR PETERBOROUGH

1. PURPOSE

- 1.1 To engage Committee members on the approach we are taking to – and framework for – a new Strategy for Culture, Recreation and the Arts for Peterborough.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 That Members note this report and comment on it.

3. LINKS TO THE SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY STRATEGY

- 3.1 Culture and leisure contribute to the following priorities in the Sustainable Community Strategy:-
- Creating opportunities – tackling inequalities;
 - Creating strong and supportive communities; and
 - Delivering substantial and truly sustainable growth.

4. BACKGROUND

- 4.1 The Council is building a new strategy for culture, recreation and the arts. Whilst the strategy will be a council document, the intention is that it is a strategy for the whole of Peterborough. Culture and leisure are long-established priorities of the Council but it is right that – five years on from the publication of the last strategy – we take a fresh look at our approach and our priorities.

5. A STRATEGY FOR CULTURE, RECREATION AND THE ARTS FOR PETERBOROUGH

5.1 INTRODUCTION

Peterborough City Council is developing a new strategy for culture, recreation and the arts¹ in the city, in consultation with partner organisations and stakeholders. The Cabinet Adviser for Culture, Cllr Graham Casey, has convened a steering group and met with a wide range of interested parties to inform the development of the strategy. Key points that have been made by consultees about the strategy include:

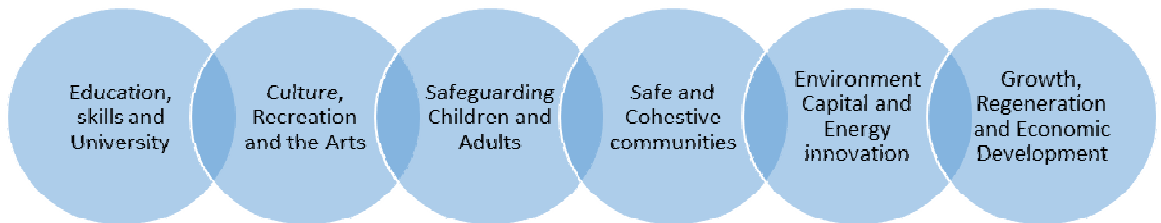
- Whilst it will be a Council document, it needs to be **a strategy for the City**;
- It should be **positive** – this is an important opportunity to recognise and celebrate how much Peterborough has to offer;
- It should be **ambitious** – and show how we will measure what we are trying to achieve;
- It should identify and commit to **specific priorities** – things we can do and/or support that will make a real difference quickly.

¹ This strategy does not address **sport** specifically, which will be the subject of further work in the coming year

5.2 WHAT WILL THE STRATEGY SAY?

The strategy will:

- a) Reaffirm the Council's vision and priorities for Peterborough
 - i. Peterborough City Council's vision is to create a bigger and better Peterborough that grows the right way, and through truly sustainable development and growth:
 - Improves the quality of life of all its people and communities, and ensures that all communities benefit from growth and the opportunities it brings
 - Creates a truly sustainable Peterborough, the urban centre of a thriving sub-regional community of villages and market towns, a healthy, safe and exciting place to live, work and visit, famous as the environment capital of the UK
 - ii. and the Council's priorities are:



- b) Recognise and celebrate the very wide range of both cultural and leisure opportunities that exist in the city
 - iii. There is already a wealth of culture and leisure activity in the city – these are summarised visually at Annex 1 – that we believe create increasingly firm foundations for the future in terms of the appropriateness and accessibility of culture and leisure opportunities.
 - iv. In recent years new approaches have given new impetus to Peterborough's cultural life, in the form of:
 - The creation of **Vivacity**. Vivacity manage the City Council's, arts, heritage, library and sports services, provide expert knowledge and are our primary delivery partners.
 - A range of National Portfolio organisations and established arts organisations (Eastern Angles, Britten Sinfonia, NNF (Bridge Organisation), NIE, Metal and Seachange Arts) have growing relationships that are embedded in the city, and they are well informed in the challenges of breaking new ground in Peterborough.
 - Metal, one of the City's National Portfolio organisations, is already producing a programme to develop local artists and to map the current arts activity in the City. Metal have also produced, with City Council funding, a new website for culture and events across Peterborough. The website, Idea1, is open to anyone who wants to promote or list events in the city, making it a new one stop shop for finding out what's happening today, tomorrow or this month in Peterborough.
 - The City has produced a Heritage ambition and action plan, which has been adopted by the City Council and all the City's Heritage

attractions and groups. The Heritage ambition will sit within the Cultural strategy.

- The City has achieved, for the first time, European funding for culture, becoming part of the **ZEP A2** consortium. This aims to develop the sustainability of the arts festival, making links with Europe and produce a high-quality format, which will attract investment.
- Peterborough has also been successful in attracting funding for a national project, **Creative People and places**, which will see local groups organising themselves to champion culture. Creative people and places is a national funded project, which will set up networks and micro-funding opportunities to generate new opportunities for the City.
- The City's Library and Archive services have achieved national recognition for a three year project, **Forty Years On**, which is an ambitious and exciting three year programme of theatre, oral history and archive work. Led by **Eastern Angles Theatre Company** and the **Peterborough Archives Service**, it will explore, archive and creatively interpret forty years of Peterborough history from 1968 to 2008. The project has so far worked with over 100 volunteers.

c) Articulate the positive and vital contribution that culture and leisure make to the City's overarching priorities

v. Adapting the Arts Council's view of the multiple, overlapping benefits of culture we see how a vibrant cultural offer has a positive impact on all of our priorities:



d) Describe how we want to improve the quality of culture, recreation and the arts

vi. In the short term (within five years) for Peterborough to be assessed by the

Arts Council England to be a better performing City moving from its current position in the bottom 10 % of the country for infrastructure and participation in cultural activities;

- vii. The longer term ambition is to get to a place, over a generation, where Peterborough can compete for City of Culture status – to bring local, regional, national and international interest in and acclaim for the city.

Does the Committee support these ambitions?

- e) Commit to specific priorities that we believe will make a positive difference to the culture, recreation and arts landscape of the city:
 - viii. To celebrate our diversity – at one time, in one place
 - ix. To increase participation in cultural and recreational activities
 - x. To create spaces(s) for culture – using the public realm and our green open spaces to ensure there are '*places to go and things to do*'
 - xi. To develop, promote and retain local talent
 - xii. To raise the city's profile through culture
 - xiii. To refresh, restate and keep under review the Vivacity role in support of culture, recreation and the arts through the annual business plan process.

Does the Committee support these priorities?

6. IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 As budgets become more constrained, the Council will need to ensure the very best possible return on any continuing investment in discretionary services. Vivacity, as an independent organisation, needs to continue to explore other business opportunities to expand its services in the interests of its own viability in addition to the services provided to the Council.

7. CONSULTATION

- 7.1 This report has been developed with the Cabinet Adviser for Culture and Recreation and discussed with a wide range of stakeholders, including Vivacity Trustees and officers, arts organisations and individuals from across the city.

8. NEXT STEPS

- 8.1 The Council will begin drafting the full strategy along the lines above, considering comments made by the Committee and the outcome of discussions in relation to the 2014-15 Vivacity business plan.

9. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

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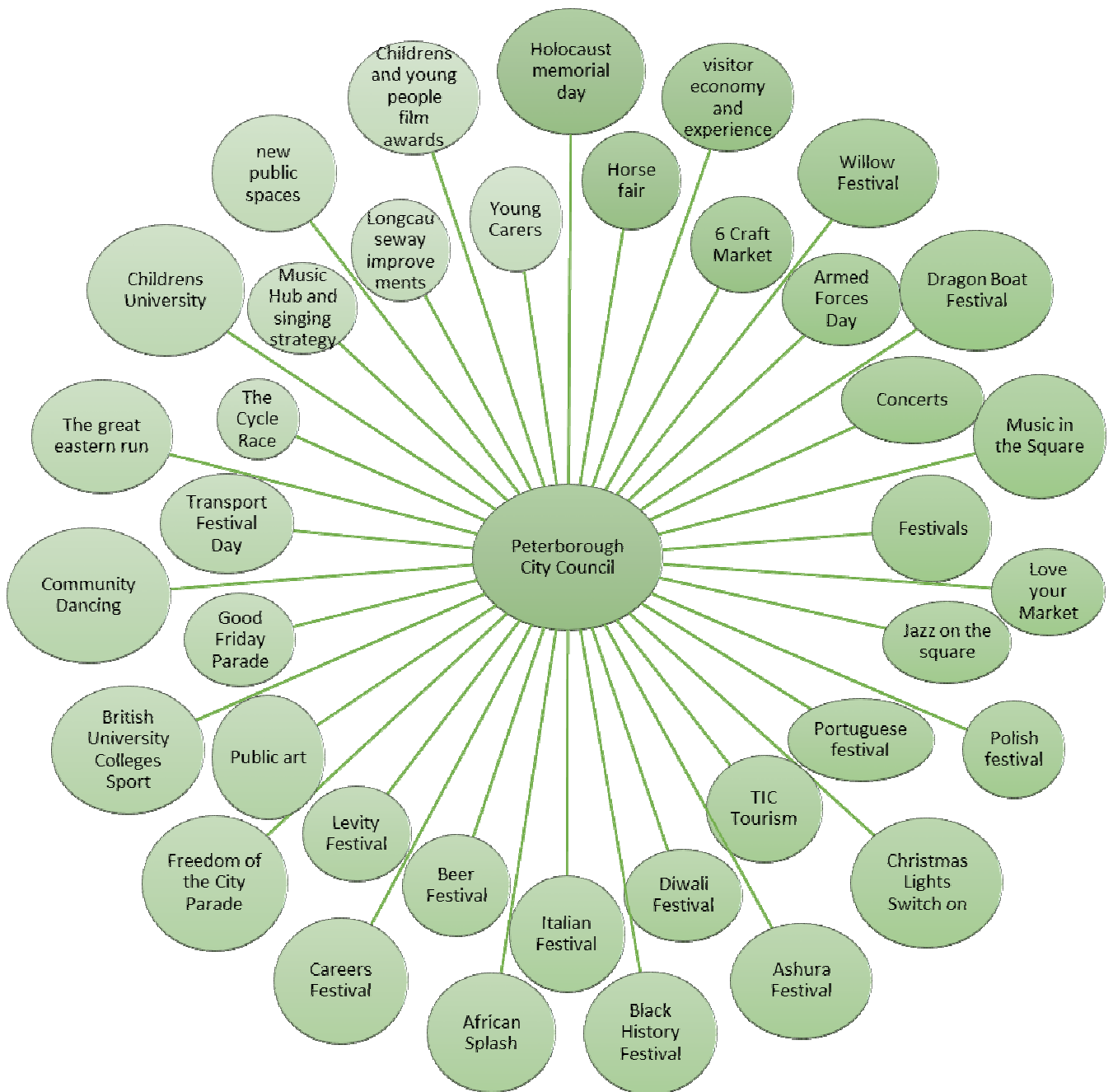
- 9.1 Existing Council strategies, the Funding and Management Agreement dated 1 May 2010 between the Council and Vivacity, and published documents by the Arts Council.

10. APPENDICES

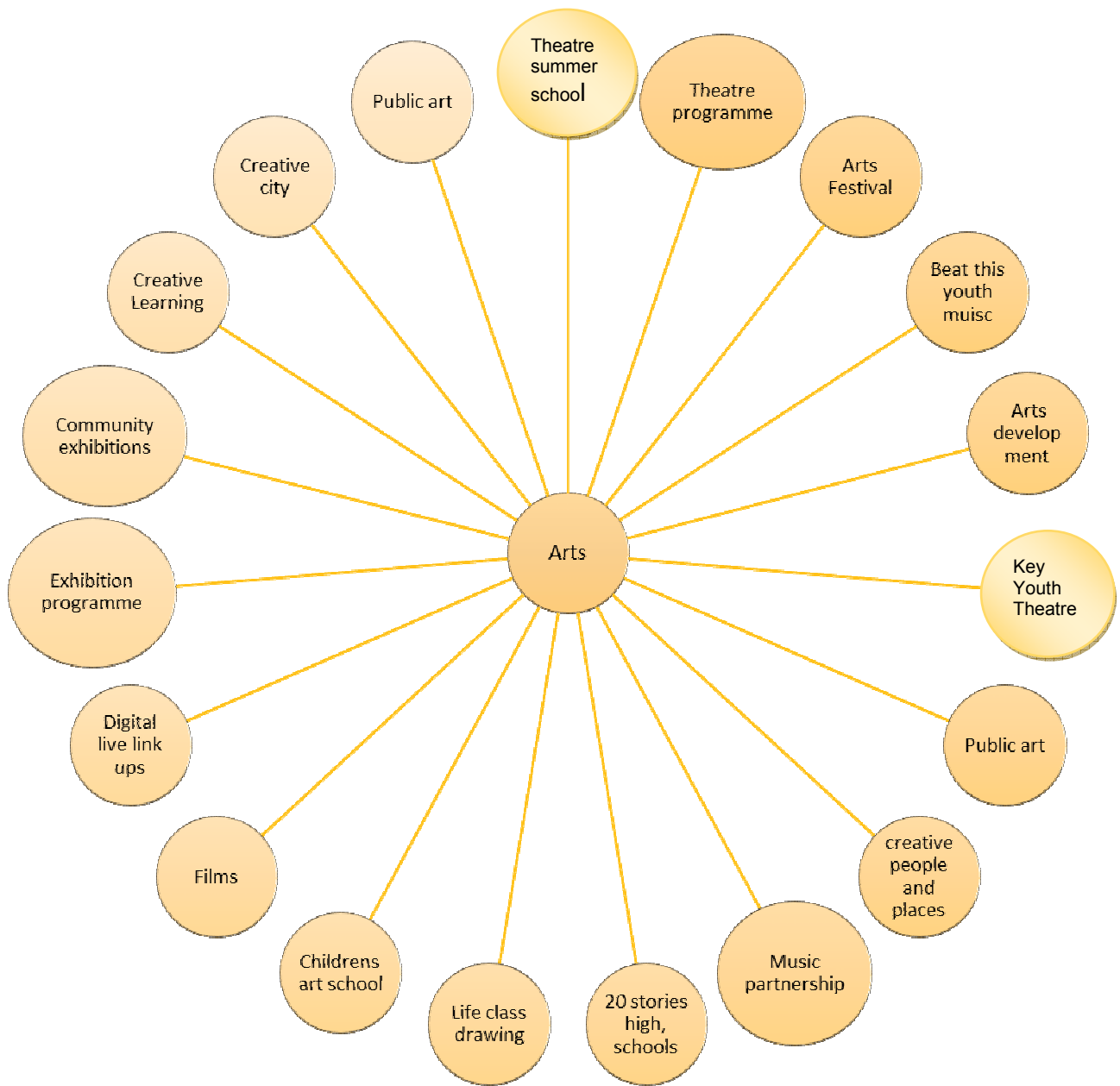
- 10.1 There is one appendix to this report – providing a snapshot of culture, recreation and arts activity in the city now.

APPENDIX ONE – CULTURE, RECREATION AND THE ARTS NOW

Peterborough City Council activity







STRONG AND SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE	Agenda Item No. 8
15 JANUARY 2014	Public Report

Report of the Head of Legal Services

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FORWARD PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS

1. PURPOSE

- 1.1 This is a regular report to the Strong and Supportive Communities Scrutiny Committee outlining the content of the Forward Plan of Key Decisions.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 That the Committee identifies any relevant items for inclusion within their work programme.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The latest version of the Forward Plan of Key Decisions is attached at Appendix 1. The Plan contains those key decisions, which the Leader of the Council believes that the Cabinet or individual Cabinet Member(s) can take and any new key decisions to be taken after 24 January 2014.
- 3.2 The information in the Forward Plan of Key Decisions provides the Committee with the opportunity of considering whether it wishes to seek to influence any of these key decisions, or to request further information.
- 3.3 If the Committee wished to examine any of the key decisions, consideration would need to be given as to how this could be accommodated within the work programme.
- 3.4 As the Forward Plan is published fortnightly any version of the Forward Plan published after dispatch of this agenda will be tabled at the meeting.

4. CONSULTATION

- 4.1 Details of any consultation on individual decisions are contained within the Forward Plan of Key Decisions.

5. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

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None

6. APPENDICES

Appendix 1 – Forward Plan of Key Decisions

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PETERBOROUGH CITY COUNCIL'S FORWARD PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS

PUBLISHED: 27 DECEMBER 2013

FORWARD PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS

In the period commencing 28 days after the date of publication of this Plan, Peterborough City Council's Executive intends to take 'key decisions' on the issues set out below. Key decisions relate to those executive decisions which are likely to result in the Council spending or saving money in excess of £500,000 and/or have a significant impact on two or more wards in Peterborough.

If the decision is to be taken by an individual cabinet member, the name of the cabinet member is shown against the decision, in addition to details of the councillor's portfolio. If the decision is to be taken by the Cabinet, it's members are as listed below:

Cllr Cereste (Leader); Cllr Elsey; Cllr Fitzgerald; Cllr Holdich (Deputy Leader); Cllr North; Cllr Seaton; Cllr Scott; and Cllr Walsh.

This Plan should be seen as an outline of the proposed decisions for the forthcoming month and it will be updated on a fortnightly basis. Each new Plan supersedes the previous Plan and items may be carried over into forthcoming Plans. Any questions on specific issues included on the Plan should be included on the form which appears at the back of the Plan and submitted to Gemma George, Senior Governance Officer, Chief Executive's Department, Town Hall, Bridge Street, PE1 1HG (fax 08702 388039). Alternatively, you can submit your views via e-mail to gemma.george@peterborough.gov.uk or by telephone on 01733 452268.

Whilst the majority of the Executive's business at the meetings listed in this Plan will be open to the public and media organisations to attend, there will be some business to be considered that contains, for example, confidential, commercially sensitive or personal information. In these circumstances the meeting may be held in private, and on the rare occasion this applies this is indicated in the list below. A formal notice of the intention to hold the meeting, or part of it, in private, will be given 28 clear days in advance of any private meeting in accordance with The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.

The Council invites members of the public to attend any of the meetings at which these decisions will be discussed (unless a notice of intention to hold the meeting in private has been given).

You are entitled to view any documents listed on the Plan, or obtain extracts from any documents listed or subsequently submitted to the decision maker prior to the decision being made, subject to any restrictions on disclosure. There is no charge for viewing the documents, although charges may be made for photocopying or postage. Documents listed on the notice and relevant documents subsequently being submitted can be requested from Gemma George, Senior Governance Officer, Chief Executive's Department, Town Hall, Bridge Street, PE1 1HG (fax 08702 388039), e-mail to gemma.george@peterborough.gov.uk or by telephone on 01733 452268. For each decision a public report will be available from the Governance Team one week before the decision is taken.

All decisions will be posted on the Council's website: www.peterborough.gov.uk/executivedecisions. If you wish to make comments or representations regarding the 'key decisions' outlined in this Plan, please submit them to the Governance Support Officer using the form attached. For your information, the contact details for the Council's various service departments are incorporated within this Plan.

KEY DECISIONS FROM 24 JANUARY 2014

KEY DECISION REQUIRED	DECISION MAKER	DATE DECISION EXPECTED	MEETING OPEN TO PUBLIC	RELEVANT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE	CONSULTATION	CONTACT DETAILS / REPORT AUTHORS	DOCUMENTS RELEVANT TO THE DECISION SUBMITTED TO THE DECISION MAKER (IF ANY OTHER THAN PUBLIC REPORT)
<p>Local Transport Plan Programme of Works 2014/15 - KEY/24JAN/01 To approve the Local Transport Plan Programme of Works 2014/15.</p>	<p>Councillor Gr. Uff. Marco Cereste Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Growth, Strategic Planning, Housing, Economic Development and Business Engagement</p>	<p>January/ February 2014</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Sustainable Growth and Environment Capital Scrutiny Committee</p>	<p>Relevant internal and external stakeholders.</p>	<p>Mark Speed Transport Planning Team Manager Tel: 317471 mark.speed@peterborough.gov.uk</p>	<p>It is not anticipated that there will be any further documents.</p>
<p>Integrated Community Equipment Service Contract Award - KEY/24JAN/02 To seek approval for the award of contract to provide an Integrated Community Equipment Service.</p>	<p>Councillor Wayne Fitzgerald Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care</p>	<p>January/ February 2014</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Scrutiny Commission for Health Issues.</p>	<p>Relevant internal and external stakeholders.</p>	<p>Nick Blake Improvement & Development Manager Tel: 01733 452406 nick.blake@peterborough.gov.uk</p>	<p>It is not anticipated that there will be any further documents.</p>

<p>Approval of Community Asset Transfer of Gladstone Park Community Centre - KEY/24JAN/03 Approval for the Council to enter into a full repairing lease with the recommended provider under the terms of the Community Asset Transfer Strategy.</p>	<p>Councillor David Seaton Cabinet Member for Resources</p>	<p>February 2014</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Sustainable Growth and Environment Capital Scrutiny Committee</p>	<p>Relevant internal and external stakeholders.</p>	<p>Emma Everitt Project Support Officer Tel: 01733 863660 emma.everitt@peterborough.gov.uk</p>	<p>It is not anticipated that there will be any further documents.</p>
PREVIOUSLY ADVERTISED DECISIONS							
<p>Delivery of the Council's Capital Receipt Programme through the Sale of Dickens Street Car Park - KEY/03JUL/11 To authorise the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Solicitor to the Council, Executive Director – Strategic Resources, the Corporate Property Officer and the Cabinet Member Resources, to negotiate and conclude the sale of Dickens Street Car Park.</p>	<p>Councillor David Seaton Cabinet Member for Resources</p>	<p>January 2014</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Sustainable Growth and Environment Capital</p>	<p>Consultation will take place with the Cabinet Member, Ward councillors, relevant internal departments & external stakeholders as appropriate.</p>	<p>Richard Hodgson Head of Strategic Projects Tel: 01733 384535 richard.hodgson@peterborough.gov.uk</p>	<p>It is not anticipated that there will be any further documents.</p>

<p>Care and Repair Framework Agreement - KEY/18DEC12/01 To approve a framework agreement and schedule of rates to deliver disabled facility grant work, specifically providing disabled access to toilet and washing facilities and associated work in domestic properties.</p>	<p>Councillor Nigel North Cabinet Member for Environment Capital and Neighbourhoods</p>	<p>Between 2 Nov 2013 and 30 May 2014</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Strong and Supportive Communities</p>	<p>Relevant Internal Departments.</p>	<p>Russ Carr Care & Repair Manager Tel: 01733 863864 russ.carr@peterborough.gov.uk</p>	<p>It is not anticipated that there will be any further documents.</p>
<p>Sale of Craig Street Car Park - KEY/25MAR13/01 To approve the sale of land known as Craig Street Car Park.</p>	<p>Councillor David Seaton Cabinet Member for Resources</p>	<p>January 2014</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Sustainable Growth and Environment Capital</p>	<p>Relevant Internal and External Stakeholders and ward councillors.</p>	<p>David Gray Capital Projects Officer Tel: 01733 384531 david.gray@peterborough.gov.uk</p>	<p>It is not anticipated that there will be any further documents.</p>
<p>Clare Lodge - KEY/22AUG13/01 To award a contract for the provision of services.</p>	<p>Councillor Sheila Scott OBE Cabinet Member for Children's Services</p>	<p>May 2014</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Creating Opportunities and Tackling Inequalities</p>	<p>Internal and external stakeholders as appropriate.</p>	<p>Oliver Hayward Commissioning Officer - Aiming High Tel: 01733 863910 oliver.hayward@peterborough.gov.uk</p>	<p>It is not anticipated that there will be any further documents.</p>

<p>City College Extension Project - KEY/20SEP13/03 Using Education Funding Agency grant to create a dedicated, customised space for students aged 16-19 with learning difficulties and disabilities.</p>	<p>Councillor John Holdich OBE Cabinet Member for Education, Skills and University</p>	<p>January 2014</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Creating Opportunities and Tackling Inequalities</p>	<p>Relevant internal and external stakeholders.</p>	<p>Brian Howard Programme Manager - Secondary Schools Development Tel: 01733 863976 brian.howard@peterborough.gov.uk</p>	<p>It is not anticipated that there will be any further documents.</p>
<p>Amendments to the Affordable Housing Capital Funding Policy - KEY/04OCT13/02 To agree the amendments to the Affordable Housing Capital Funding Policy.</p>	<p>Cabinet</p>	<p>February 2014</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>Sustainable Growth and Environment Capital</p>	<p>Relevant internal and external stakeholders.</p>	<p>Richard Kay Policy and Strategy Manager Tel: 01733 863795 richard.kay@peterborough.gov.uk</p>	<p>It is not anticipated that there will be any further documents.</p>
<p>Strategy for People with Dementia and their Carers - KEY/04OCT13/05 To approve the Dementia Strategy.</p>	<p>Councillor Wayne Fitzgerald Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care</p>	<p>January 2014</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Health Issues</p>	<p>Service users, relevant departments and Scrutiny Commission for Health Issues.</p>	<p>Rob Henchy Commissioning Manager Tel: 01733 452429 rob.henchy@peterborough.gov.uk</p>	<p>It is not anticipated that there will be any further documents.</p>

<p>Long Causeway Public Realm Improvements - KEY/15NOV13/01 To award the contract to undertake engineering works as part of the Long Causeway Public Realm Improvement works.</p>	<p>Councillor Gr. Uff. Marco Cereste Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Growth, Strategic Planning, Housing, Economic Development and Business Engagement</p>	<p>January 2014</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Sustainable Growth and Environment Capital</p>	<p>Relevant internal and external stakeholders.</p>	<p>Simon Mullins Project Engineer/Development Engineer Tel: 01733 453548 simon.mullins@peterborough.gov.uk</p>	<p>It is not anticipated that there will be any further documents.</p>
<p>The Future Direction of Children's Centres Delivery - KEY/15NOV13/02 To confirm the direction of the delivery of children's centres in the city.</p>	<p>Cabinet</p>	<p>20 Jan 2014</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>Creating Opportunities and Tackling Inequalities</p>	<p>Legal Services, Human Resources and other internal and external stakeholders.</p>	<p>Pam Setterfield Assistant Head of Children & Families Services (0-13) Tel: 01733 863897 pam.setterfield@peterborough.gov.uk</p>	<p>Consultation Document</p>
<p>S256 Agreement between the Council and Cambridgeshire and Peterborough CCG - KEY/15NOV13/03 To agree the transfer of funding for social care.</p>	<p>Councillor Wayne Fitzgerald Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care</p>	<p>January 2014</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Health Issues</p>	<p>Relevant stakeholders.</p>	<p>Paul Stevenson Interim Head of Finance Tel: 01733 452306 paul.stevenson@peterborough.gov.uk</p>	<p>It is not anticipated that there will be any further documents.</p>

<p>District Heating Scheme For PCC Properties - KEY/29NOV13/02 To award a contract for the installation of a district heating system for the Town Hall, Regional Pool and Lido.</p>	<p>Councillor David Seaton Cabinet Member for Resources</p>	<p>January 2014</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Sustainable Growth and Environment Capital</p>	<p>Relevant internal and external stakeholders.</p>	<p>Steven Morris Client Property Manager Tel: 01733 384657 steven.morris@peterborough.gov.uk</p>	<p>It is not anticipated that there will be any further documents.</p>
<p>Legal Advisory Services for the City Council on Behalf of the Energy Services Company (ESCO) "Blue Sky Peterborough" and Related Projects and other City Council Major Development / Investment Projects - KEY/29NOV13/03 To award a contract for the provision of legal advisory services.</p>	<p>Councillor David Seaton Cabinet Member for Resources</p>	<p>January 2014</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Sustainable Growth and Environment Capital</p>	<p>Relevant internal and external stakeholders.</p>	<p>Andrew Cox Senior Category Manager Tel: 01733 452465 andy.cox@peterborough.gov.uk</p>	<p>It is not anticipated that there will be any further documents</p>
<p>Integrated Community Sexual Health Service - KEY/27DEC13/01 To award a contract for the Integrated Community Sexual Health Service.</p>	<p>Councillor Irene Walsh Cabinet Member for Community Cohesion, Safety and Public Health</p>	<p>Between 1 Feb 2014 and 31 Mar 2014</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Health Issues</p>	<p>Relevant internal and external stakeholders.</p>	<p>Jo Melvin Children's Services Strategy and Planning Officer Tel: 01733 863954 joanne.melvin@peterborough.gov.uk</p>	<p>It is not anticipated that there will be any further documents</p>

<p>Council Tax Base and NNDR - KEY/10JAN14/01 To agree the calculation of the council tax base for 2014/15.</p>	<p>Cabinet</p>	<p>20 Jan 2014</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>Sustainable Growth and Environment Capital</p>	<p>Relevant internal and external stakeholders.</p>	<p>Steven Pilsworth Head of Strategic Finance Tel: 01733 384564 Steven.Pilsworth@pete rborough.gov.uk</p>	<p>It is not anticipated that there will be any further documents.</p>
<p>Council Tax Support Scheme - KEY/10JAN14/02 To approve the final proposed Council Tax Support Scheme for submission to full Council.</p>	<p>Cabinet</p>	<p>20 Jan 2014</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>Strong and Supportive Scrutiny Committee</p>	<p>Relevant internal and external stakeholders.</p>	<p>Steven Pilsworth Head of Strategic Finance Tel: 01733 384564 Steven.Pilsworth@pete rborough.gov.uk</p>	<p>It is not anticipated that there will be any further documents.</p>
<p>Budget and Medium Term Financial Strategy - KEY/10JAN14/03 Draft budget for 2014/15 and Medium Term Financial Strategy to 2023/24 to be agreed as a basis for consultation. This will include the Council's Capital Strategy, Treasury Management Strategy and Asset Management Plan.</p>	<p>Cabinet</p>	<p>3 Feb 2014</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>Sustainable Growth and Environment Capital</p>	<p>Relevant internal and external stakeholders.</p>	<p>Steven Pilsworth Head of Strategic Finance Tel: 01733 384564 Steven.Pilsworth@pete rborough.gov.uk</p>	<p>It is not anticipated that there will be any further documents.</p>

<p>Budget 2014/15 and Medium Term Financial Strategy 2023/24 KEY/10JAN14/04 To approve the final proposed budget including Council Tax for submission to full Council.</p>	<p>Cabinet</p>	<p>24 Feb 2014</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>Sustainable Growth and Environment Capital</p>	<p>Relevant internal and external stakeholders.</p>	<p>Steven Pilsworth Head of Strategic Finance Tel: 01733 384564 Steven.Pilsworth@peterborough.gov.uk</p>	<p>It is not anticipated that there will be any further documents.</p>
<p>Older People's Day Service Review - KEY/10JAN14/05 To consult users and carers/ family members on proposals to develop a dementia specific day service.</p>	<p>Cabinet</p>	<p>24 Mar 2014</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>Scrutiny Commission for Health Issues</p>	<p>Relevant internal and external stakeholders.</p>	<p>John Giffney Commissioning Manager Tel: 01733 452462 john.giffney@peterborough.gov.uk</p>	<p>It is not anticipated that there will be any further documents.</p>

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Strategic Finance
Internal Audit
Schools Infrastructure (Assets and School Place Planning)
Corporate Property
Waste and Energy
Strategic Client Services (Enterprise Peterborough / Vivacity / SERCO including Customer Services, ICT and Business Support)

CHILDREN'S SERVICES DEPARTMENT Executive Director's Office at Bayard Place, Broadway, PE1 1FB

Safeguarding Family and Communities
Education
School Improvement
Special Educational Needs / Inclusion and the Pupil Referral Service

ADULT SOCIAL CARE Executive Director's Office at Town Hall, Bridge Street, Peterborough, PE1 1HG

Care Services Delivery (Assessment and Care Management and Integrated Learning Disability Services)
Mental Health
Public Health (including Health Performance Management)

COMMUNITIES DEPARTMENT Director's Office at Bayard Place, Broadway, PE1 1FB

Strategic Commissioning
Safer Peterborough, Cohesion, Social Inclusion and Neighbourhood Management

GOVERNANCE DEPARTMENT Director's Office at Town Hall, Bridge Street, Peterborough, PE1 1HG

Communications
Legal and Governance Services
HR Business Relations (Training and Development, Occupational Health and Reward and Policy)
Strategic Regulatory Services
Performance Management

GROWTH AND REGENERATION DEPARTMENT Director's Office Stuart House, St Johns Street, Peterborough, PE1 5DD

Strategic Growth and Development Services
Strategic Housing
Planning Transport and Engineering (Development Management, Construction and Compliance, Infrastructure Planning and Delivery, Network Management and Passenger Transport)
Commercial Operations (Strategic Parking and Commercial CCTV, City Centre, Markets and Commercial Trading and Tourism)

**STRONG AND SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
WORK PROGRAMME 2013/14**

Meeting Date	Item	Timing	Progress
4 June 2013 <i>Draft Report 16 May</i> <i>Final Report 23 May</i>	<p>Review of 2012/13 and Future Work Programme</p> <p>To review the work undertaken during 2012/13 and to consider the future work programme of the Committee</p> <p>Contact Officer: Paulina Ford</p> <p>Draft Homelessness Strategy 2013 - 2018</p>	10mins	
	<p>Contact Officer: Sarah Hebblethwaite</p> <p>Impact of the Welfare Reform</p>	30mins	
	<p>Contact Officer: Adrian Chapman</p> <p>CRIME AND DISORDER SCRUTINY COMMITTEE</p>		
	<p>Safer Peterborough Partnership Plan 2011-2014 (2013 Revision)</p>	55mins	
	<p>Contact Officer: Gary Goose</p>		
24 July 2013 <i>Draft Report 8 July</i> <i>Final Report 15 July</i>	<p>CRIME AND DISORDER SCRUTINY COMMITTEE</p> <p>Safer Peterborough Partnership Plan – Priority Progress Update – Reducing Crime</p> <p>To receive a report and comment on the Reducing Crime aspect of the Safer Peterborough Partnership Plan</p>	55 mins	

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	<p>Contact Officer: Gary Goose</p> <p>Overview of the Operation Can Do Programme</p> <p>To receive and comment on a report which informs the committee on Operation CanDo.</p>		
	<p>Contact Officer: Adrian Chapman</p> <p>STRONG AND SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE</p> <p>Value for Money - Vivacity</p> <p>To receive a report and comment on what Vivacity has spent money on and how this benefitted the city economically.</p>		
	<p>Contact Officer: Ricky Fuller</p> <p>Commercial Operations</p> <p>To receive a report and comment on the City Centre Business Plan.</p>		
	<p>Contact Officer Annette Joyce</p> <p>Scrutiny In A Day: A Focus on Welfare Reform</p> <p>To receive a report on a proposal for a Scrutiny in a Day review into the Impact of Welfare Reform.</p>		
	<p>Contact Officer: Paulina Ford / Adrian Chapman</p> <p>CRIME AND DISORDER SCRUTINY COMMITTEE</p> <p>Safer Peterborough Partnership Plan – Priority Progress Update – Tackling anti-social behaviour and hate crime</p>	55 mins	
<p>11 September 2013</p> <p><i>Draft Report 23 Aug</i></p> <p><i>Final Report 2</i></p>			

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Sept	<p>To receive a report and comment on the Antisocial Behaviour and Hate Crime aspect of the Safer Peterborough Partnership Plan</p> <p>Contact Officer: Gary Goose</p>		
	<p>STRONG AND SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE</p>		
	<p>Portfolio Progress Report from Cabinet Member for Community Cohesion, Safety and Public Health</p> <p>To scrutinise the progress made on the Cabinet Member portfolio.</p> <p>Contact Officer: Jawaid Khan/ Cllr Walsh</p> <p>Culture and Heritage</p>		
	<p>To comment on the headlines of the Draft new Culture Strategy.</p> <p>Contact Officer: Ricky Fuller/Dominic Hudson</p> <p>Vivacity Culture and Leisure Trust – Value for Money</p>		
	<p>To comment on and note the report</p> <p>Contact Officer: Rickey Fuller/Margaret Welton/Dominic Hudson</p> <p>Approval of Neighbourhood Committee Minutes</p>		
	<p>To approve the remaining unapproved Neighbourhood Committee minutes.</p> <p>Contact Officer: Dania Castagiuolo</p>		

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19 November 2013	CRIME AND DISORDER SCRUTINY COMMITTEE		
<i>Draft Report 1 Nov</i> <i>Final Report 8 Nov</i>	<p>Safer Peterborough Partnership Plan – Priority Progress Update – Building stronger and more supportive communities</p> <p>To receive a report and comment on the Building Stronger and more Supportive Communities aspect of the Safer Peterborough Partnership Plan</p> <p>Contact Officer: Gary Goose</p> <p>STRONG AND SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE</p> <p>Heritage Ambition</p> <p>To Provide the Committee with an update on the city's heritage ambition and heritage action plan</p> <p>Contact Officer: Ricky Fuller/Dominic Hudson</p> <p>Portfolio Progress Report from Cabinet Member for Environment Capital and Neighbourhoods</p> <p>To Scrutinise and comment on the progress of the portfolio of the Cabinet Member for Environment Capital and Neighbourhoods</p> <p>Contact Officer: Adrian Chapman/Cllr North</p> <p>Proposed Selective Licensing for the Gladstone, Millfield New England and Eastfield Areas of Peterborough</p> <p>To review and scrutinise the proposed selective licensing scheme.</p> <p>Contact Officer: Belinda Child</p>	55 mins	

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	<p>Scrutiny in a Day: Understanding and Managing the Impacts of Welfare Reform on Communities in Peterborough</p> <p>To provide the Committee with an update on the progress being made towards organising the Scrutiny in a Day event on 17th January 2014</p> <p>Contact Officer: Adrian Chapman / Paulina Ford</p>		
	<p>CRIME AND DISORDER SCRUTINY COMMITTEE</p> <p>Safer Peterborough Partnership Plan – Priority Progress Update</p> <p>To review and make suggestions as to items for inclusion in the Safer Peterborough Partnership Plan.</p> <p>Contact Officer: Gary Goose</p>	55 mins	
15 January 2014	<p>Fly Tipping – Prosecution Records</p> <p>To provide the Committee with an update on prosecutions for fly-tipping undertaken by the authority.</p> <p>Contact Officer: Gary Goose/Ray Hooke</p>		
Draft Report 30 Dec	<p>STRONG AND SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE</p> <p>Overarching Culture Strategy</p> <p>To engage the Committee on the approach taken for a new Strategy for Culture.</p> <p>Contact Officer: Dominic Hudson/Ricky Fuller</p>		
Final Report 6 Jan			
17 January	<p>Scrutiny in a Day: Focus on Impact of Welfare Reform</p>		

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2014 (Joint Meeting of Scrutiny Committees and Commissions)	To conduct an in depth one day review with a focus on the impacts of Welfare Reform across all scrutiny agendas and make recommendations to mitigate those impacts. Contact officers: Paulina Ford / Adrian Chapman		
Extra Meeting Date TBC	Selective Licensing Contact Officer: Adrian Chapman		
	Connecting Families Contact Officer: Adrian Chapman		
10 February 2014 (Joint Meeting of the Scrutiny Committees and Commissions)	Budget 2014/15 and Medium Term Financial Plan To scrutinise the Executive's proposals for the Budget 2013/14 and Medium Term Financial Plan. Contact Officer: John Harrison/Steven Pilsworth		
26 March 2014	CRIME AND DISORDER SCRUTINY COMMITTEE		
<i>Draft Report 10 Mar</i> <i>Final Report 17 Mar</i>	Annual Community Safety Plan Contact Officer: Gary Goose STRONG AND SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE Vivacity – Annual Report	55 mins	

Meeting Date	Item	Timing	Progress
	Contact Officer: Kevin Tighe City Centre Plan		
	Contact Officer: Annette Joyce		

To be programmed into work programme:

Localism Strategy – Adrian Chapman

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