

**STRONG AND SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE  
RESPONSE TO RECOMMENDATIONS**

**APPENDIX 1**

**23 July 2009**

Item	Recommendations	Referred to	Response
Serious Acquisitive Crime	<p>That in six months time Police Officers report back to the committee with an update on Operation Alert to assess its effectiveness. The report should include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information on the objectives of Operation Alert, targets and performance.</li> <li>• Examples of success and if any improvements can be made.</li> </ul>	Paul Phillipson	This has been agreed and tasked to Chief Inspector, Steve Welby to deliver at the appropriate time
	<p>That in 12 months time Police Officers report back to the committee with an update on the Integrated Offender Management Programme to assess its effectiveness. The report should include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information on the objectives of the Integrated Offender Management Programme, targets and performance.</li> <li>• Examples of success and if any improvements can be made.</li> </ul>	Paul Phillipson	This has been agreed and tasked to Chief Inspector, Steve Welby to deliver at the appropriate time
	<p>That a detailed report be presented to the committee at its meeting in September on the initiatives that are being taken across the Safer Peterborough Partnership to prevent young people who are at risk of becoming young offenders.</p>	Paul Phillipson	This report was delivered at the September meeting by Bob Footer.

**10 September 2009**

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<p>Progress Report on Delivery of LAA Priority - All NI's within this priority</p>	<p>That the Community Cohesion Manager works closely with neighbourhood services to ensure the Migration Impact Funding is being distributed effectively to the right areas.</p>	<p>Cllr S Scott / Paul Phillipson</p>	<p>Response from P Phillipson. With regards the Migrant impact fund. I chair a multi agency group co coordinating its spend, allocation and progress. This includes Adrian Chapman for the Neighbourhood element and I chair and manage the cohesion board and Manager.</p>
<p>Youth Crime Prevention In Peterborough. (NI 111) – First Time Entrants to the Youth Justice System aged 10 – 17</p>	<p>That the Cabinet Member for Children’s Services fully supports the Restorative Justice Approach to reduce youth crime in Peterborough</p>	<p>Cllr Scott / Paul Phillipson</p>	<p>Response from Councillor Scott.</p> <p>I write to confirm that I do believe in the Restorative Justice Approach to reduce youth crime in Peterborough.</p> <p>I see Restorative Justice as an important part of the work we undertake alongside other initiatives.</p> <p>I also support the use of Restorative Justice outside the Criminal Justice System, for example, in schools.</p> <p>I am committed to doing all that I can to achieve successful outcomes for youth offenders and to undertake whatever approaches possible to prevent re offending.</p>

**25 November 2009**

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Restorative Practices in Peterborough	<p>It is recommended that the Cabinet Member for Children's Services and the Executive Directors for Children's Services and Operations support the development of restorative justice practices in Peterborough.</p> <p>This to be done by:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. identifying resources and funding in the amount of £60,000 to secure a full time Restorative Justice Development Officer;</li><li>2. identifying a training budget to enable officers to be trained to deliver restorative justice practices across Peterborough. These officers will then train other officers in restorative justice practices;</li><li>3. working with the Restorative Justice Steering Group and Team to support the ongoing development of restorative justice practices which will ensure that Peterborough becomes a restorative justice authority; and</li><li>4. ensuring that the awareness and profile of restorative justice practices are embedded across the authority</li></ol>	Cllr Scott / Paul Phillipson	The approach is supported but at the present time there is no resource to take this forward on a formal basis.

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**21 January 2010**

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Road Safety (NI 47)	<p>That the Cabinet Member for Education, Skills and University, the Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods, Housing and Community Development and the Executive Director of Operations introduce an educational awareness programme for road safety in all schools to influence the behaviour of young people when they become drivers.</p>	Cllr Holdich / Cllr Hiller / P Phillipson	<p>Councillor Holdich will urge Schools to take part in any road safety campaign.</p> <p>P Hiller/P Phillipson response: - The city council has written to all secondary schools in Peterborough to promote and offer a Young Driver Education Day free of charge to all Post 16 and Year 11</p>

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			<p>pupils we are asking schools to book for the next Academic Year. The day is delivered in partnership with various agencies including Fire, Police and Driving Standards Agency and covers various messages relevant to new/pre-drivers. Schools have been made aware that the programme is flexible and can be adapted and delivered in various formats to accommodate schools timetable.</p> <p>As well as the young driver education day various other initiatives are being developed and delivered through the Safer Peterborough Partnership Road Safety Action Plan for young drivers including looking at ways to work with hard to reach groups such as youth offending</p>
	<p>It is recommended that the Executive Director of Operations undertakes a feasibility study of a 20MPH speed limit outside all schools and reports back to the Committee with the findings at a future meeting.</p>	<p>Paul Phillipson</p>	<p>The initial findings from investigations into the proposed limits for rural schools are that average vehicle speeds are already compliant with a 20mph speed limit at school times for the majority of schools. This reflects driver awareness and the localised congestion at such times making travelling at higher speeds virtually</p>

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			<p>impossible.            In such circumstances the introduction of a 20mph speed limit is unlikely to make a material difference to the actual speed of vehicles, when this is already physically constrained.            Thus until the results from the rural schools are known I can not justify further resources being directed towards the investigation.            The generally accepted view is that signing alone achieves only a minimal reduction especially when speeds are slow at the start.</p> <p><b><u>Interim Evaluation of the Implementation of 20 mph Speed Limits in Portsmouth by Atkins (2009)</u></b></p> <p><i>The average speed after the 20 mph speed limits were imposed was 0.9 miles per hour lower than the average speed before the speed limits were imposed.</i></p> <p>At sites where the average “Before” speed was greater than 24 mph the average speed reduced by 7 mph.</p> <p><i>Note – the majority of residential roads in</i></p>

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			<p><i>Portsmouth are covered by 20mph limits – and hence may achieve greater compliance than what would happen if such measures were introduced only in isolated locations outside schools in Peterborough.</i></p> <p><b><u>DfT - Traffic Advisory Leaflet 9/99 (1999)</u></b></p> <p>TRL have also carried out a review of low speed-limit zones in this country and abroad, where physical measures have not been used extensively to influence speed, and reliance is placed primarily on signing. The results of this review are reported in TRL Report 363 - "Urban Speed Management Methods". <b><i>The review has indicated that using 20 mph speed limit signs alone, without supporting traffic calming features, led to reductions in 'before' speeds, on average, of 1 mph.</i></b></p>

**18 March 2010**

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Cultural and Leisure Trust	<p>That the Cabinet is advised of the Committee's endorsement for the creation of a Culture and Leisure Trust and that the following comments should be taken into consideration:</p> <p>I. That the Trust engages with representatives of all communities across the Authority to ensure that their interests are represented in the delivery of cultural and leisure activities across the City.</p> <p>II. That a close working relationship with Peterborough City Council will be maintained.</p> <p>III. That the Trust will report back to Scrutiny after a period of nine months from the date of its formation to advise on the progress of the Trust including financial implications.</p>	Cabinet	At its meeting on 22 March 2010 CABINET RESOLVED TO: Note and support the comments made by the Strong and Supportive Communities Committee
Policing Pledge	The Committee recommends that the Cabinet continue to lobby Government for additional resources for the Police Authority on a national basis.	Cabinet	Councillor Cereste noted the Committees recommendation and agrees to this.

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