

STRONG AND SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE	Agenda Item No. 6
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SAFER PETERBOROUGH PARTNERSHIP PLAN 2011-14

1. PURPOSE

- 1.1 This report is to present the 2012 draft revision of the Safer Peterborough Partnership Plan (2011-2014) ahead of its presentation to Cabinet.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 Members are asked to approve this Plan and recommend it 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 in the local area. It is acknowledged that far more can be achieved to make Peterborough a safer place if agencies work together rather than in isolation. The Crime and Disorder Act specifies that responsible authorities are Peterborough City Council, Cambridgeshire Constabulary, NHS Peterborough, Cambridgeshire Fire Authority, Cambridgeshire Police Authority and Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Probation Trust. These 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 and Fenland MIND, Peterborough Racial Equality Council, HMP Peterborough and the Social Impact Bond. Other voluntary groups are represented on other partnership groups.

The Safer Peterborough Partnership is one of the partnerships that forms the Greater Peterborough Partnership.

- 4.2 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. This report brings the draft 2012 revision of the plan for 2011-2014.

- 5.2 The priorities within the Partnership Plan are agreed following a Strategic Assessment which considers the performance in the previous twelve months and takes into account the concerns of the public.
- 5.3 The Safer Peterborough Partnership have agreed one single target for the three year plan – to reduce victim based crime by 10% by end of March 2014.

The priorities in this plan reflect the partnerships desire to support our statutory partner agencies in delivering their core functions with the partnership taking a lead role in co-ordinating and delivering schemes that address root causes of crime and disorder within our City.

A summary document will be published to ensure that the public can clearly understand the priorities and improvement targets set.

The priorities set out in the Plan attached are:

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

6. IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 Focussing on three broad outcome-based programmes will help to ensure that communities become safer and stronger and that crime anti-social behaviour continues to reduce.

7. CONSULTATION

- 7.1 The development of this Plan has been informed through extensive consultation and engagement with officers, partners and members of the public throughout the previous year.

8. NEXT STEPS

- 8.1 The Plan will need to be approved by Cabinet before being presented to Full Council for final approval.

9. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

- 9.1 None

10. APPENDICES

- 10.1 Safer Peterborough Partnership Plan 2011-2014
Draft Safer Peterborough Partnership Strategic Assessment 2012