

GROWTH, RESOURCES AND COMMUNITIES' SCRUTINY COMMITTEE	AGENDA ITEM No. 6
24 SEPTEMBER 2024	PUBLIC REPORT

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SAFER PETERBOROUGH PARTNERSHIP PLAN – 2024 - 2027

RECOMMENDATIONS	
FROM: Rob Hill – Service Director Housing and Communities	N/A
It is recommended that Growth, Resources and Communities Scrutiny Committee:	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Reviews and comments on the draft Safer Peterborough Partnership Plan 2024 – 2027 2. Recommends the draft Plan to Cabinet for approval. 	

1. ORIGIN OF REPORT

1.1 This report is presented to the Growth, Resources and Communities Scrutiny Committee at the request of the committee members to introduce the draft Safer Peterborough Partnership Plan 2024 – 2027.

2. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

2.1 This report is being presented to Growth, Resources and Communities Scrutiny Committee members to seek views and comments on the Safer Peterborough Partnership Plan 2024 – 2027. Councillors are requested to review the plan and provide comments, before recommending it to Cabinet for approval.

2.2 This report is for the Growth, Resources and Communities Scrutiny Committee to consider under its Terms of Reference No. Part 3, Section 4 - Overview and Scrutiny Functions, paragraph No. 2.1 Functions determined by the Council:

2. Neighbourhood and Community Support (including cohesion and community safety);

3. TIMESCALES

3.1	Is this a Major Policy Item/Statutory Plan?	NO	If yes, date for Cabinet meeting	N/A
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4. BACKGROUND AND KEY ISSUES

4.1 The 1998 Crime and Disorder Act established partnerships between local authorities, the police and police authorities, fire service, probation services, health authorities, the voluntary sector, residents, and businesses.

4.2 The aims of the Safer Peterborough Partnership (SPP) are: to create a safer city, building

cohesive environments where people and communities can flourish; to work in partnership to deliver local, regional, and national priorities; and to improve levels of crime, anti-social behaviour, and disorder.

4.3 The Crime and Disorder Act 1998 requires Community Safety Partnerships to publish a three-year Partnership Plan which is reviewed annually to consider changes in crime and disorder, the changing nature of local priorities, available resources, and changes within communities. This report sets out the Safer Peterborough Partnership Plan for 2024 – 2027 (please see appendix 1).

4.4 The priorities within the Partnership Plan are based on evidence and information held by various agencies and have been agreed by the SPP Board following discussions with all partners and public engagement via each respective agency, including the gathering of feedback via satisfaction surveys and public forums.

4.5 **Priorities – 2024-2027:**

The plan set out 5 priority areas for 2024-2027

- Reducing Anti-Social Behaviour and Improving Quality of Life
- Tackling Serious Organised Crime
- Safety in the Nighttime Economy
- Reducing Drug and Alcohol- Related Crime
- Sex Working and Exploitation

4.6 **Cross Cutting Themes:**

Four 'cross cutting themes' have been identified that the Safer Peterborough Partnership board feel are significant and need to apply to all areas of the partnerships work. Those are:

- Mental Health
- Cost of Living
- Children & Young People
- Serious Violence Duty

4.7 **How will the plan be delivered?**

To ensure progress is being made on the 5 key priority areas and cross cutting themes, operational task and finish groups have been established to drive activity, reporting into the Safer Peterborough Partnership Delivery Group which in turn reports to the SPP Strategic Board. This will ensure progress is being made against outcomes and efforts are coordinated and resources deployed to areas with the highest need in line with the key priorities. A governance slide can be found on page 16 of appendix 1.

4.8 **Wider engagement and linkage:**

Success in addressing the 5 priorities requires the trust and confidence of the public in our agencies, for this reason there is a strong theme of engagement running throughout the partnership aims. Visible partnership working, community engagement and empowerment will continue to be the key to tackling crime, disorder and the local priorities identified.

It is recognised that there are key 'Community Safety' focused county boards that the SPP Plan needs to align with to ensure best effect. Officers are therefore engaged with the following:

- Childrens Safeguarding Board

- Adult Safeguarding Board
- Public Service Board
- Prevent Board
- Domestic Abuse Board
- Youth Justice Board
- Organised Crime Board
- Health and Wellbeing Board
- Serious Violence Board
- Drug and Alcohol Board

Additionally, it is proposed that regular community engagement sessions are held in communities to discuss the priorities, hear local concerns, and to shape delivery throughout this plan's life cycle.

5. CORPORATE PRIORITIES

5.1 **Our Places and Communities** – The SPP Plan links to our commitment to ‘create healthy and safe environments where people want to live, invest, work, visit and play’ by tackling crime and disorder in the city.

The Economy & Inclusive Growth – The SPP Plan links to making sure that our ‘places are attractive and vibrant’ by reducing crime and disorder in the city

Carbon Impact Assessment - the report contains no proposals for changes to service delivery and therefore there is no decision to take which may impact carbon emissions of the council or the city.

6. CONSULTATION

6.1 Officers have undertaken consultation with SPP Board Members and Partners including:

- Cabinet Member for Housing and Communities
- Peterborough City Council – various departments
- Cambridgeshire Constabulary
- Office of Police and Crime Commissioner
- Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service
- Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Integrated Care Partnership
- National Probation Service
- Safeguarding Partnership Boards
- Peterborough Council for Voluntary Service
- Social Landlords

6.2 Further consultation will be undertaken as necessary as projects progress; this includes:

- Online community engagement
- Face to face community engagement
- Thematic communication plans

7. ANTICIPATED OUTCOMES OR IMPACT

7.1 Once adopted, it is anticipated that Peterborough will become safer, significantly improving the experience for residents, businesses, and visitors.

8. REASON FOR THE RECOMMENDATION

8.1 Scrutiny Committee members can review the SPP Plan, and are assured that key priorities are correct, will be delivered, and governance is in place to monitor progress.

9. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

9.1 No alternatives – Scrutiny Committee must be informed of the SPP Plan 2024 – 2027.

10. IMPLICATIONS

Financial Implications

10.1 There are no significant financial implications.

Legal Implications

10.2 This report is for noting and there are no legal implications arising.

Equalities Implications

10.3 There are no significant equalities impacts relevant to this report.

11. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Used to prepare this report, in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

11.1 N/A

12. APPENDICES

12.1 Appendix 1 – Safer Peterborough Partnership Plan 2024 - 2027