

	<h2>Community Leadership Committee</h2> <h3>10 November 2014</h3>
<p style="text-align: right;">Title</p>	<h2>Draft Community Safety Strategy 2015-2020</h2>
<p style="text-align: right;">Report of</p>	<p>Community & Wellbeing, Assistant Director Family & Community Well-being Lead Commissioner</p>
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<p style="text-align: right;">Enclosures</p>	<p><u>Appendix One:</u> Draft Community Safety Strategy 2015-2020</p>
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<h2>Summary</h2> <p>Barnet Safer Communities Partnership Board (SCPB), oversees the development, delivery and monitoring of Barnet's Community Safety Strategy.</p> <p>On the 11 September 2014, the Community Leadership Committee was updated on the progress of the current Community Safety Strategy and the findings of the 2014 strategic crime needs assessment.</p> <p>Consultation on the Community Safety Strategy has since closed and identified a number of themes important to local residents. This has informed the development of the 2015-2020 Community Safety Strategy, a draft of which can be found at appendix 1. The strategic objectives proposed are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To provide a victim centred approach to victims of crime and anti-social behaviour. • To maintain reductions in Crime and Anti-social behaviour. • To improve the perception of Barnet being a safe place to live, work and visit. <p>This report details the suggested outcomes for the Strategy and full details of how these will be achieved are set out at appendix 1. The Strategy is a partnership document and will be taken for full sign-off by partners at the Safer Communities Partnership Board on 20 January 2015.</p>

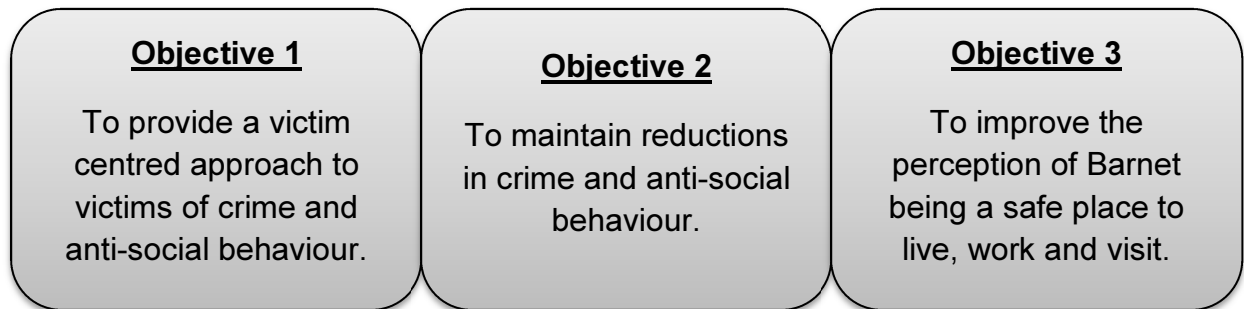
Recommendations

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| 1. That the Community Leadership Committee provides comments on the draft Community Safety Strategy. |
| 2. That the Community Leadership Committee endorses the objectives and outcomes set out in the draft Community Safety Strategy and the Council's contribution in delivering the strategy. |
| 3. That the Community Leadership Committee note that the final Community Safety Strategy will be agreed at the Safer Communities Partnership Board on 20 January 2015. |

1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED

- 1.1 This report provides the Community Leadership Committee (CLC) with an update on the development of Barnet's 2015-2020 Community Safety Strategy.
- 1.2 Between July and October 2014, residents were consulted about what should be in the Community Safety Strategy. The consultation included:
- Two public meetings.
 - An online survey – over 260 surveys were completed.
 - A stall at the Communities Together Network.
 - Presentation at the Safer Neighbourhood Board, Physical and Sensory Impairment Partnership Board, Learning Disabilities Partnership Board, Barnet Seniors Assembly, and Middlesex University.
 - Community engagement as part of Project Mercury on 25th September 2014.
 - Engagement with partners.
- 1.3 Analysis of the consultation responses showed the top three concerns as:
- High volume Crime e.g. burglary (56%).
 - Reducing anti-social behaviour (48%).
 - Reducing problems associated with alcohol and drugs (40%).
- 1.4 The 2014 resident's perception survey results showed that the top three concerns around anti-social behaviour were:
- Rubbish or litter lying around (40%).
 - Teenagers hanging around (27%).
 - Vandalism, graffiti, and other deliberate damage to property or vehicle (26%).
- 1.5 Further analysis of the Community Safety Strategy consultation can be found in the draft Community Safety Strategy – Appendix B

- 1.6 The objectives proposed in Barnet's Community Safety Strategy have been informed by the feedback from the consultation and the findings of the strategic crime needs assessment. The five year objectives proposed are:



- 1.7 The Safer Communities Partnership outcomes proposed for 2015-16 are:

2015-16 Outcomes

- 1 Residents and businesses feel confident that the police and council respond to crime and ASB in their area.
 - 2 Residents and businesses are engaged and informed about community safety and the action we have taken in their area.
 - 3 Victims of domestic violence, and hate crime are confident in reporting incidents and the partnership intervenes to prevent repeat victimisation.
 - 4 The partnership will work to reduce serious youth violence with a focus on young people as victims and offenders.
 - 5 Sustained reductions in re-offending.
 - 6 Sustained reductions in burglary and other high volume crime types such as violence with injury, robbery, theft of motor vehicle, theft from motor vehicle, theft from the person and criminal damage.
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- 1.8 For each of these outcomes, the Strategy documents sets out progress to date, how the outcome will be achieved and how success will be measured.
- 1.9 The Safer Communities Partnership Board will also consider the objectives and outcomes proposed in the strategy at their meeting on 31st October 2014. Feedback will be provided at the Community Leadership meeting on 10th November 2014 by the Head of Community Safety and the Chair of the Safer Communities Partnership Board, Cllr Longstaff.
- 1.10 The Community Safety Strategy 2015-2020 is still in draft form, therefore the following areas are yet to be added:
- Substance Misuse – drugs and alcohol, it's impact on crime, public protection and the partnership approach to address this.
 - Counter Terrorism
 - CCTV
 - Child sexual exploitation – CSE

2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 To consult with members of the Community Leadership Committee on the draft community safety strategy, the proposed three year strategic objectives and the proposed 2015-2016 outcomes.

2.2 To seek endorsement from the Community Leadership Committee on the strategy, the council's contribution towards delivery of the strategy and for the Safer Communities Partnership Board to have final sign off at their meeting on the 30 January 2015.

3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND NOT RECOMMENDED

3.1 Not relevant in relation to this report.

4. POST DECISION IMPLEMENTATION

4.1 Engagement with partners will take place between 1st November 2014 and 15th December 2014 on the draft Community Safety Strategy. The Safer Communities Partnership Board will sign off the final strategy on the 30th January 2015.

5. IMPLICATIONS OF DECISION

5.1 Corporate Priorities and Performance

5.1.1 The Corporate Plan 2013-16 outlines the Council's commitment to support families and individuals that need it, promoting wellbeing and improving the satisfaction of residents and businesses with the London Borough of Barnet as a place to live, work and study. This commitment will be delivered through focussing the council's efforts on a number of outcomes including promoting family and community well-being and encourage engaged, cohesive and safe communities.

5.1.2 The work of the Safer Communities Partnership delivers on the following corporate performance outcomes:

- Reducing the number of first time entrants to the Youth Justice System aged 10 to 17.
- Increasing community confidence in police and the local authority dealing with crime and anti-social behaviour (target 78%).
- Achieve a reduction in adult re-offending for those under probation supervision or young offenders in education, training, or employment (to 7.5%).
- Reduce the level of domestic burglary to 24.80 per 1,000 household.

5.2 Resources (Finance & Value for Money, Procurement, Staffing, IT, Property, Sustainability)

5.2.1 On behalf of the Safer Communities Partnership, Barnet Council receive funding from the London Crime Reduction Fund which is administered by the Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime (MOPAC). This is a four year grant

which commenced in 2013/2014 and totals £1,026,946 over four years.

- 5.2.2 The grant is used to fund projects that were submitted for funding in 2012/13 and were aligned to the previous Community Safety Strategy.
- 5.2.3 The proposed Community Safety Strategy will be shared with MOPAC in order to ensure the future alignment of funding to support delivery and address potential resource implications. The grant agreement is currently being reviewed by MOPAC and Barnet Council. Financial impact and resources will be reviewed annually as part of the strategies annual review.
- 5.2.7 There will be no impact on the council resources for Barnet Community Safety Team.

5.3 Legal and Constitutional References

- 5.3.1 Under s.6 of the Crime & Disorder Act 1998, the Council with other partner authorities (chief of police, fire & rescue authority, probation service, CCG and Local Health Board) has a duty to formulate and implement a strategy for the reduction of crime and disorder in its area (including anti-social behaviour adversely affecting the local environment), a strategy for combating the misuse of drugs, alcohol and other substances in the area and a strategy for the reduction of re-offending in the area.
- 5.3.2 In formulating the strategy, the partner authorities must have regard to the police and crime plan for the area.
- 5.3.3 Under Crime and Disorder (Formulation and Implementation of Strategy Regulations 2007 (SI 2007/1830), the partner authorities must set up a strategy group who are collectively responsible for preparing strategic assessments and preparing and implementing the partnership plan. The partnership plan shall set out the following:
 - (a) a strategy for the reduction of re-offending, crime and disorder and for combating substance misuse in the area;
 - (b) the priorities identified in the strategic assessment prepared during the previous year;
 - (c) the steps considered necessary for the responsible authorities to take to implement the strategy and meet those priorities;
 - (d) how the strategy group considers the responsible authorities should allocate and deploy their resources to implement that strategy and meet those priorities;
 - (e) the steps each responsible authority shall take to measure its success in implementing the strategy and meeting those priorities;
 - (f) the steps the strategy group proposes to take during the year to comply with its obligations in respect of community engagement, considering the extent that people in the area can assist in reducing re-offending, crime and disorder and substance misuse, and publicising that partnership plan.

5.3.4 Under s.17 of the above Act, it is also a duty of the Council (and other partner agencies, including police, fire & rescue, GLA, TfL) when exercising its functions to have due regard to the likely effect of the exercise of those functions on, and the need to do all that it reasonably can to prevent crime and disorder (including anti-social behaviour), misuse of drugs, alcohol and other substances and re-offending.

5.3.5 The Terms of Reference for the Community Leadership Committee are set out in the Council's Constitution (Responsibly for Functions – Annexe A) and include:

- a) Working together with partners on the Barnet Safer Communities Partnership including Police, Fire and Criminal Justice Agencies to help make Barnet a safer place.
- b) Contributing to achieving better outcomes in the Safer Communities Strategy (referred to as the Community Safety Strategy in this report) through CCTV, fighting crime and anti-social behaviour, combating graffiti fly tipping and other environmental crime, action against Domestic Violence and any other relevant Council activity.

5.4 Risk Management

5.4.1 Not applicable

5.5 Equalities and Diversity

5.5.1 Each of the priorities in the Safer Communities Strategy will have an equalities dimension in that it may impact on communities in different ways. The performance management of these priorities considers disproportionality of victims or offenders as it relates to equalities and diversity (this includes gender, age, ethnicity, disability and faith, sexual orientation), building on the data contained in the annual strategic crime needs assessment.

5.5.2 The strategy includes priorities which specifically have an equalities dimension such as domestic violence, violence against women and girls and hate crime.

5.6 Consultation and Engagement

5.6.1 The Safer Communities Partnership has a statutory responsibility to consult with residents on their Crime and Anti-social behaviour priorities and share the findings of the annual strategic crime needs assessment. This has been completed as set out in sections 1.2 and 1.3 of this report.

6. BACKGROUND PAPERS

6.1 Cabinet 14 September 2011- item 5- approved draft Safer Communities Strategy 2011-14 for recommendation to Council

- 6.2 Council 1 November 2011- item 4.1- Approved Safer Communities Strategy
- 6.3 Cabinet Resources Committee 24 June 2013- agenda item 5 -approved the Outline Business Case for partnership initiatives to enhance delivery of the Safer Communities Strategy and that the four proposed initiatives be implemented.
- 6.4 Community Leadership Committee, 11 September 2014 –noted the findings of the strategic crime needs assessment and emerging themes. Members provided comments on the priorities for the Community Safety Strategy 2015-2020 and noted the consultation process to be followed in order to develop the strategy.