

TELFORD & WREKIN COUNCIL

**CABINET – 12 DECEMBER 2013
COUNCIL – 23 JANUARY 2014**

COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP PLAN 2013 - 2016

**REPORT OF ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR FAMILY AND COHESION
SERVICES**

LEAD CABINET MEMBER – CLLR HILDA RHODES

PART A) – SUMMARY REPORT

1. SUMMARY OF MAIN PROPOSALS

The Community Safety Partnership (CSP) under its statutory responsibilities is required to develop a Partnership Plan which outlines the actions to be taken by partners on collectively working together to reduce crime and disorder and anti-social behaviour (ASB) across Telford & Wrekin.

This report details the legal responsibilities of the Community Safety Partnership and the delivery of the Partnership Plan. The draft Telford & Wrekin Community Safety Plan for 2013-2016 is attached to the report.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

To RECOMMEND to Full Council that the Community Safety Partnership Plan 2013 / 2016 be approved.

3. SUMMARY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

COMMUNITY IMPACT	Do these proposals contribute to specific Co-operative Council priorities?	
	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Put our children and young people first</i> • <i>Protect and support our vulnerable children and adults</i> • <i>Ensure that neighbourhoods are safe, clean and well maintained.</i> • <i>Improve the health and wellbeing of our communities and address health inequalities</i>
	Will the proposals impact on specific groups of people?	
	Yes	<i>To Keep all residents safe</i>
TARGET COMPLETION / DELIVERY DATE	<i>With immediate effect following Cabinet and will be refreshed annually.</i>	
FINANCIAL/VALUE FOR MONEY IMPACT	Yes	<i>The overall budget for Community Safety within T&W 13/14 is £0.531m, which includes an expectation of Police & Crime Commissioner (PCC) funding of £0.204m. A bid for funding is currently submitted annually to the PCC, based on agreed priorities from the Community Safety Partnership. This funding is used to fund projects such as the Drug Intervention Project, IDVA service, White Ribbon campaign, Taxi Marshalling, Neighbourhood Delivery groups, Crucial crew, Street Pastors, Telford Aftercare Team & a Crime Prevention Fund. GS 21/10/13</i>
LEGAL ISSUES	Yes	The legal requirements are set out in the body of the report. In accordance with the legislative requirements and the Council's Constitution, the Plan must be approved by Full Council.
OTHER IMPACTS, RISKS & OPPORTUNITIES	Yes	<i>In not having a CSP Plan could mean we are not meeting our statutory requirements which could impact on allocation of funding from the Police & Crime Commissioner thus impacting on the delivery of our four priorities.</i>
IMPACT ON SPECIFIC WARDS	Yes	<i>Borough Wide</i>

PART B) – ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

4. INFORMATION

- 4.1** Telford and Wrekin Community Safety Partnership was in place prior to the legal requirement from the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 to establish a Community Safety Partnership (CSP)
- 4.2** Section 17 of this Act places a duty on the responsible authorities, Police, Fire and Rescue, Probation, Health and Local Authority to work together to prevent crime and disorder.

The following are specific requirements imposed upon the CSP:-

- To set up a strategic group to direct the work of the partnership. The current chair of the CSP board is Superintendent Nav Malik.
 - Regularly engage and consult with the community about their concerns and taking the appropriate actions.
 - Set up protocols and systems for sharing information
 - Analyse a wide range of data, including recorded crime levels and patterns, in order to identify priorities in an annual strategic assessment
 - Set out a partnership plan and monitor progress
 - Produce a strategy to reduce reoffending
 - Commission domestic violence homicide reviews
- 4.3** As identified above, having a partnership plan and being able to monitor the progress of this has been identified as one of the requirements of the CSP.
- 4.4** The CSP delivery framework is established under statute through the Crime & Disorder Act 1998, amended by the Police & Justice Act 2006. The Partnership also has to have due regard for the Police and Crime Commissioners role as set out in the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011.
- 4.5** The priorities have also been referenced against the Police and Crime Commissioners (PCC) priorities to ensure that our local approach links into the West Mercia Police and Crime plan.
- 4.6** The CSP has the responsibility to ensure that all of the statutory partners are working together to implement measures to reduce crime and anti social behaviour (ASB) to include substance misuse and re-offending. CSPs are also required to take appropriate action to prevent violent extremism and influence social and economic change as a way of preventing, tackling and reducing crime and disorder.

4.7 The Partnership Plan identifies the CSPs four overarching priorities which are;

- 1. Overall crime is reduced in the Borough**
- 2. Anti-Social behaviour is reduced – to include environmental crime**
- 3. Greater community cohesion in the Borough**
- 4. To reduce the fear of crime –keeping residents safer in Telford & Wrekin**

Each priority is supported by an operational action plan to ensure that we have a framework in place to support and deliver on each priority.

4.8 The Partnership Plan is flexible and adaptable to change to meet and reflect local need and will be reviewed annually.

4.9 The overall responsibility for the Partnership Plan sits with the Community Safety Partnership Board; the Community Safety Team oversees the delivery of the priorities and the action plans, working with partners and the operational delivery groups across the Partnership.

4.10 The CSP Board receives regular updates regarding the Partnership Plan and Performance is monitored via the board and where necessary the Board will hold lead officers to account.

5. IMPACT ASSESSMENT – ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

5.1 From April 2012 all CSP funding transferred over to the PCC. CSP's are now required to bid into the PCC for funding to deliver local projects and initiatives that contribute towards the action plans within the CSP Plan. By not having this funding would mean that we would not be able to deliver these projects or the priorities that have been set by the CSP Board.

5.2 The CSP Plan provides the framework to not only identify the areas of focus for the Partnership under the four priorities but to also identify the direction of travel in the Partnership's performance and delivery. The CSP Plan therefore provides the mechanism to hold partners to account on the commitment to collectively working together to reduce crime and disorder. By not having the CSP Plan would leave the Partnership open to challenge and we as a partnership would not be able to demonstrate how we make a difference to residents and communities of Telford & Wrekin.

6. PREVIOUS MINUTES

Police and Crime commissioners and police Crime report.
Cabinet – 26.04.12

7. BACKGROUND PAPERS

None

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