



Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee

Time and Date

11.00 am on Wednesday, 26 June, 2024

Place

Diamond Rooms 1 and 2 - Council House

Public Business**1. Apologies and Substitutions****2. Declarations of Interest****3. Minutes**

(a) To agree the minutes of the previous meeting held on 10 June, 2024
(Pages 3 - 8)

(b) Matters Arising

4. Serious Violence Duty (SVD) (Pages 9 - 26)

Briefing Note of the Director of Public Health and Wellbeing

5. Proposed Consultation for the Community Safety Partnership Plan 2024-2027 (Pages 27 - 60)

Report of the Director of Law and Governance

6. Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee Work Programme and Outstanding Issues 2024/2025 (Pages 61 - 66)**7. Any Other Items of Public Business**

Any other items of public business which the Chair decides to take as a matter of urgency because of the special circumstances involved.

Private Business

Nil

Julie Newman, Director of Law and Governance, Council House, Coventry

Tuesday, 18 June 2024

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Membership: Councillors N Akhtar (Chair), M Ali, A Jobbar, L Kelly (Deputy Chair), J Lepoidevin, C Miks, G Ridley, R Singh and CE Thomas

By invitation Councillors P Akhtar, S Gray, AS Khan, P Seaman

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Coventry City Council
Minutes of the Meeting of Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee held at 11.00 am on
Monday, 10 June 2024

Present:

Members: Councillor N Akhtar (Chair)

Councillor M Ali
Councillor L Kelly (Deputy Chair)
Councillor R Lakha
Councillor G Lewis
Councillor R Singh

Other Members: Councillor G Duggins

Employees (by Service Area):

Finance and Resources: B Hastie (Director)

Human Resources: G Haynes

Law and Governance: S Bennett, E Jones

Regeneration and
Economy: A Williams (Director)

Transformation: M McGinty

Apologies: Councillors J Lepoidevin, C Miks, G Ridley and CE Thomas

Public Business

1. Thanks and Welcome

The Chair, Councillor N Akhtar, placed on record his thanks and appreciation for all of the work undertaken by Councillor E Ruane and Councillor R Thay in their roles during the Municipal Year 2023/24 as Chair of the Finance and Corporate Services Scrutiny Board (1) and the Deputy Chair of the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee respectively.

The Chair welcomed Councillor L Kelly to her new role as Deputy Chair of the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee for 2024/25.

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no disclosable pecuniary interests.

3. **Minutes**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 11 April, 2024 were agreed and signed as a true record.

Further to Minutes 56/23 and 58/23 relating to “Parking Enforcement and Road Safety” and “Rebuilding Drug and Alcohol Treatment and Recovery Services” respectively, the Committee noted that the relevant Cabinet Members had received the Committee’s Recommendations in relation to those matters and had accepted the Recommendations. In addition, the further information requested in relation to those matters had been circulated to Members of the Committee.

4. **Local Government Association (LGA) Corporate Peer Challenge 2024 – Outcome of Peer Challenge**

The Committee considered a report of the Chief Executive which outlined the outcome of the Local Government Association (LGA) Corporate Peer Challenge held in Coventry in January, 2024. The Committee noted that the report would also be considered by Cabinet at their meeting on 11 June, 2024, prior to consideration by Council on 9 July, 2024.

The report indicated that that the Local Government Association (LGA) is the national voice of local government, working with Councils to support, promote, and improve local government. The LGA’s Corporate Peer Challenge offer is effective and well regarded by the sector and provides robust, strategic and credible challenge and support to Councils.

It is expected that all Councils receive a Corporate Peer Challenge at least every five years covering core areas and any specific areas requested by the Council. Coventry City Council’s first Corporate Peer Challenge took place in October 2018. In 2023, it was agreed that Coventry City Council would again host a Corporate Peer Challenge as this was now timely.

The Peer Challenge took place from 15th to 18th January 2024. The visit focused on five core themes (local priorities and outcomes, organisational and place leadership, governance and culture, financial planning and management, and capacity for improvement). These areas are critical to Councils’ performance and improvement.

The Peer Team were also asked to provide feedback on transformation: the organisation’s corporate capacity and plans for service transformation. Transformation was specifically chosen on the basis that it would benefit from some external challenge and feedback on future delivery plans.

The LGA Corporate Peer Challenge feedback report was provided as an appendix to the report (Appendix A). This report provided a detailed response on findings, including a number of observations and suggestions within the main section of the report.

In summary, during the course of the Peer Challenge week, the Peer Team found that:

- Coventry is an ambitious place that is on the up, with examples of innovation and a willingness to embrace change, whilst not forgetting its heritage
- Coventry is a well-run Council, with strong officer and political leadership
- Employees and elected members are passionate and proud about what they do
- The Council should take further steps to improve diversity across the organisation at all levels
- There is recognition that tough times are still ahead, but people are up for the challenge
- There is a need to ensure that the transformation programme is adequately resourced to enable delivery at pace
- The Council should use the established performance framework to drive improvement and bring greater prioritisation and visibility to areas that require improvement
- Partners and residents are eager to step up and become more involved at an earlier and more strategic level
- There is a need to review our external and internal communications and engagement strategy

There are some areas where further work is suggested by the Peer Team. These areas are described in the 'Key recommendations' section of the LGA's feedback report.

Following the Peer Challenge in January, the Council has reflected on the Peer Team's findings in order to determine its response to the recommendations that have been made. The Council response was provided as an appendix to the report (Appendix B). The report indicated that the Council are embracing the opportunity to reflect on this feedback and are committed to making improvements where it can through organisational ownership.

The Committee made comments, asked questions and sought assurances on a number of issues including:-

- How internal and external communication will be improved within the Council
- Collaborative work between business owners and the Council to improve street pride
- Reassurance that improvements are made in terms of diversity within recruitment processes
- Details of the Transformation Programme and what it means to residents

Following discussion, the Committee highlighted a number of issues to be added to the Committee's Work Programme for 2024/25 and noted that street lighting was included in the relevant Scrutiny Board's Work Programme for 2024/25.

RESOLVED that the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee:-

- 1) Supports the recommendations contained in the report**

- 2) Requests that the Committee receives a further progress update after the LGA's feedback report has been received
- 3) Requests that the following issues be added to the Committee's Work Programme for 2024/25:-
 - Major Cultural Events (Godiva/Motofest etc)
 - Recruitment and Retention
 - CCC Transformation Programme

5. **Scrutiny Annual Report 2023/24**

The Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee received a Briefing Note of the Director of Law and Governance appended to which was the Scrutiny Annual Report 2023/24. The report details highlights from the year, including cross-cutting themes considered by the Committee as well as work undertaken by the individual Scrutiny Boards. The Constitution requires that Scrutiny report annually to inform Council of its work.

RESOLVED that the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee:

- 1) Accepts the content of the draft report at Appendix 1.
- 2) Recommends that Council considers the Scrutiny Annual Report at its meeting on 9 July, 2024.

6. **Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee Work Programme and Outstanding Issues 2024/2025**

The Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee considered their Work Programme for the Municipal Year 2024/25.

Further to Minute 4 above, it was noted that the following items would be added to the Work Programme:-

- Major Cultural Events (Godiva/Motofest etc)
- Recruitment and Retention
- CCC Transformation Programme

RESOLVED that the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee notes and approves the Work Programme and Outstanding Issues for 2024/25.

7. **Scrutiny Management**

In accordance with the Constitution, the Committee were informed that Councillor N Akhtar, Chair of the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee, attended the meeting of Cabinet Member for Jobs, Regeneration and Climate Change on 13 May, 2024 for consideration of an item relating to "Progress House, Westwood Way Westwood Business Park Coventry - Lease Re- gear "

Councillor Akhtar agreed that the decision was urgent and that call in should not apply. In accordance with the Constitution, this matter is reported to inform the Committee of the reason for urgency which is:-

“In order to meet the construction programme and complete the new development for the occupation by students before the commencement of the academic year in September 2026, the legal agreement and commitment were required to be completed by the 20th May 2024. If this timescale is not achieved, then a delay of a further 12 months would be incurred, which would mean that the improved income for the Council is also delayed by a year. “

8. **Any Other Business - Green Group Representation on Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee**

The Committee were informed that, in order to enable and ensure cross party discussion, the Chair of the Committee, Councillor N Akhtar, had extended an invitation for a Member of the Green Group to attend all future meetings of the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee as a non-voting Member.

(Meeting closed at 12.15 pm)

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Briefing Note

To: Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee

Date: 26th June 2024

Subject: Serious Violence Duty (SVD)

1 Purpose of the Note

- 1.1 This note is to update the Scrutiny Coordination Committee on progress made since the initial briefing note on the Serious Violence Duty presented in November 2023. This update outlines the key developments, achievements, challenges, and next steps in ongoing efforts to tackle serious violence in Coventry using a public health approach.

2 Recommendations

- 2.1 The Scrutiny Coordination Committee is recommended to:
- 1) Review the progress note provided, including the letter of findings following the recent Joint Targeted Area Inspection (JTAI)
 - 2) Provide feedback and any comments which can be integrated into the ongoing implementation of the Serious Violence Duty.
 - 3) Support advocacy for sustained funding and partnership working for existing initiatives to bolster violence reduction across the partnership.

3 Background

- 3.1 The initial note (Nov 2023), presented to the Committee, highlighted the new Serious Violence Duty imposed on local authorities and their partners to tackle serious violence collaboratively. The Community Initiative to Reduce Violence (CIRV) was also introduced as an externally funded intervention targeting individuals aged fourteen or more, at risk of, or experiencing, violence. West Midlands Police has contributed a substantial resource in terms of personnel.
- 3.2 Key points from the previous briefing included:
- The legal framework established by the Police, Crime, Courts, and Sentencing Act 2022.
 - The role of specified authorities and key stakeholders in developing a partnership approach.
 - The assessment and strategic planning activities conducted in preparation for the Duty.
 - The launch and initial stages of the CIRV project.

- How the specified authorities in Coventry were working together to tackle this issue.

4 Progress Update

4.1 Since the initial report, progress has been made on implementing the Serious Violence Duty and CIRV, as well as undergoing a joint targeted area inspection. Key achievements are detailed below:

4.2 Serious Violence Duty Implementation

4.3 The Police & Crime Commissioner submitted the regional response strategy to the Home Office by the January 31, 2024, deadline. This strategy, informed by data from all seven local authority areas, is now in operation and will be reviewed and updated annually.

4.4 Coventry partners have continued to work closely with the regional violence reduction partnership (VRP) to align local plans with the regional strategy. Regular coordination meetings and data sharing have been established to ensure a cohesive approach. Coventry has an agreed set of priorities amongst the partnership with a focus on data analysis, engaging with young people and promoting Child Friendly Cov.

4.5 A new sub-group of Police and Crime Board, the Coventry Serious Violence Prevention Partnership (CSVPP) has been convened and is responsible for monitoring implementation of the delivery plan.

4.6 Community Initiative to Reduce Violence (CIRV)

4.7 Referral and Engagement: There have been a total of 493 referrals received since the project began, highlighting the high demand for this type of support.

4.8 Intervention Outcomes: While it is still too early to measure long-term outcomes, preliminary data indicates that participants are showing signs of reduced involvement in violence. There is a case study in Appendix B which demonstrates the value of a programme like CIRV.

4.9 Capacity Building: eleven volunteer mentors have been recruited to manage the high demand and ongoing training is being provided to ensure effective engagement and intervention techniques. Using volunteers from the local community is key to empowering local people to be involved in violence prevention in their communities.

4.10 Funding for CIRV by the Youth Endowment Fund is due to end in August 2025 and the CIRV management team are currently considering options regarding the project's sustainability. Coventry along with Wolverhampton were one of a handful of test sites where interventions for violence are being academically evaluated.

4.11 Significant milestones

4.12 A Joint Targeted Area Inspection (JTAI)¹ on the theme "Serious Youth Violence". In March 2024 Coventry was selected to take part in a multi-agency inspection which lasted for a period of three weeks, with inspectors from Ofsted, Care Quality Commission (CQC), HM Inspectorate of Constabulary and Fire & Rescue Services (HMICFRS) and HM Inspectorate of Probation (HMIP). The theme of the inspection was serious youth violence which had been announced the previous September. A great deal of preparation had already taken place across the partnership when the

local authority received the call. Please see Appendix A containing the letter of findings from the Inspectors.

- 4.13 The committee may wish to note that the letter states “Children at risk of criminal exploitation and serious youth violence are safer as a result of the effective partnership work undertaken by both statutory services and the third sector to reduce risks in places and spaces as well as for individual young people in Coventry. Mature partnership arrangements are in place. Since 2019, partners in Coventry have continued to focus on serious youth violence and exploitation. Their response to the new serious violence duty, through the Coventry Serious Violence Prevention Partnership led by the police, with strong links to the West Midlands Regional Violence Reduction Partnership and Coventry Safeguarding Children Partnership, further builds on the learning from the city’s experience of serious youth violence”.
- 4.14 An agreed plan to tackle areas identified for development, following the JTAI, is due to be provided to inspectors in August. The draft plan has been prepared and circulated to partners for agreement.
- 4.15 As part of the JTAI preparations a comprehensive booklet has been produced [Serious Youth Violence Booklet – Coventry City Council](#) which details how the partnership are tackling violence, who is involved and the services on offer. It is a comprehensive overview of our offer to young people in the city when it comes to preventing and supporting those experiencing the consequences of violence

5 Next Steps

- 5.1 **Monitoring and Evaluation:** Continued rigorous evaluation of CIRV and other violence reduction initiatives will be crucial. CIRV is being independently evaluated by academics. Once completed we will have a degree of certainty that this intervention is making a difference in the lives of those engaging in the programme.
- 5.2 **Community Engagement:** Efforts will be intensified to raise awareness and involve the community in violence reduction activities. A regional media campaign aimed at young people was launched on 30th May, this along with local initiatives like Safe Spaces and Child Friendly Cov. will be crucial to keeping young people at the heart of our dialogue. We will be using forums such as the Coventry Youth Council to engage young people and help them understand how the partnership is tackling violence and what they can do in their communities to support it.
- 5.3 **Policy and Advocacy:** Ongoing advocacy for policy changes at the regional and national levels will be pursued to support the sustained impact of the Serious Violence Duty and related initiatives. As a local authority public health team, we are working hard to co-ordinate a number of different work areas across teams with the local authority including children’s services, youth justice, education, health and community safety to ensure we are maximising our impact and reducing duplication of effort. The programme manager, violence prevention works closely with the other stakeholders (Policing, Health, Fire and Rescue, Probation) to coordinate efforts to tackle violence as a multi-agency partnership using an evidence-based and data led approach.

6 Health Inequalities Impact

- 6.1 Violence undermines people’s physical and mental health. Addressing the root causes of violence including poverty, parental neglect, childhood adversity, living in a high crime neighbourhood, substance misuse and low levels of educational attainment/school engagement, should improve health outcomes across the population. We continue to work together as partners to address those issues

Coventry has now been a Marmot City for 10 years. Health Inequalities are routinely considered as part of council and partner decision making. Our Marmot monitoring tool [Marmot monitoring tool – Coventry City Council](#) sets out 8 key areas which, over the long term, should contribute to reducing levels of violence across Coventry.

- 6.2 The interactive Marmot monitoring tool sets out the work taking place across the eight key areas.

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Appendix A¹



HM Inspectorate
of Probation



17 May 2024

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Philip Johns, Chief Executive Officer, ICB

Simon Foster, West Midlands Police and Crime Commissioner

Craig Guildford, Chief Constable, West Midlands Police

Nicholas Jeffreys, Youth Justice Service Manager

Derek Benson, Chair of Coventry Safeguarding Children Partnership

Dear Coventry Safeguarding Children Partnership

1 Joint targeted area inspection of Coventry

This letter summarises the findings of the joint targeted area inspection (JTAI) of the multi-agency response to serious youth violence in Coventry.

This inspection took place from 18 to 22 March 2024. It was carried out by inspectors from Ofsted, the Care Quality Commission (CQC), His Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary and Fire & Rescue Services (HMICFRS) and His Majesty's Inspectorate of Probation (HMIP).

2 Context

The findings in the report evaluate the effectiveness of the multi-agency response to children aged 10 and over who are at risk of or affected by serious youth violence and/or criminal exploitation. Even where the report does not specifically refer to this group of children, all findings relate to this scope.

The inspectorates recognise the complexities for agencies in intervening to address serious youth violence when risk and harm occur outside of the family home. As a consequence, risk assessment and decision-making have a number of complexities and challenges. A multi-agency inspection of this area of practice is more likely to highlight some of the significant

¹ <https://files.ofsted.gov.uk/v1/file/50247377>

challenges to partnerships in improving practice. We anticipate that each of the joint targeted area inspections (JTAs) of this area of practice that are being carried out will identify learning for all agencies and will contribute to the debate about what good practice looks like in relation to the multiagency response to serious youth violence. In a significant proportion of children seen by inspectors, children had also experienced other forms of abuse, which reflects the complexity of the needs and risks for children.

Headline findings

Children at risk of criminal exploitation and serious youth violence are safer as a result of the effective partnership work undertaken by both statutory services and the third sector to reduce risks in places and spaces as well as for individual young people in Coventry. Mature partnership arrangements are in place. Since 2019, partners in Coventry have continued to focus on serious youth violence and exploitation. Their response to the new serious violence duty, through the Coventry Serious Violence Prevention Partnership led by the police, with strong links to the West Midlands Regional Violence Reduction Partnership and Coventry Safeguarding Children Partnership, further builds on the learning from the city's experience of serious youth violence. A range of aligned subgroups, with exploitation as a clear overarching strategic partnership priority, ensures a mature, coordinated approach across the partnership. This has achieved tangible and sustained progress to reduce harm to children from serious youth violence and child criminal exploitation over a number of years through its public health approach.

Leaders and partners use nearly every opportunity to learn and improve practice in this highly complex area. Consequently, services are continually enhanced to better protect children and to address emerging threats within the community. A strong culture of support, collaboration and learning is evident at every level of the partnership, leading to a positive difference for these highly vulnerable children in Coventry. Despite this, the areas' understanding of disproportionality for children at risk of or who experience child criminal exploitation and serious youth violence is not yet sufficiently well understood.

Partnerships in Coventry have a well-developed understanding of the causes and consequences of serious youth violence and the factors that make children vulnerable, particularly the link with criminal exploitation. There is a systemic approach to ensure that new and emerging threats are identified and assessed which are captured through the key strategic partnerships, operational meetings and partnership subgroups. As a consequence, the risks reduce for many children at risk of criminal exploitation and serious youth violence.

There is a strong and clear focus on prevention and early intervention, which supports the partnership's priorities. Children and the community have been thoroughly engaged with developing strategies and interventions. Adoption of a public health approach over several years has resulted in a range of services to identify children at risk early, followed up with targeted interventions, which keep these highly vulnerable children safer, supported and often in education. The emergency duty team does not offer a sufficiently proactive response to incidents of serious youth violence which occur outside of office hours.

What needs to improve?

- The emergency duty team provides a minimal safeguarding response to incidents of serious youth violence, meaning that strategy meetings are not held at the earliest opportunity and plans are made to provide immediate protection for younger children in the family without a social worker seeing the child or family to assess.
- Children wait too long to receive mental health assessments from the child and adolescent mental health services crisis teams, and children who become looked after wait too long for their initial health assessment.
- Some professionals are not sufficiently curious and accept children's explanations at face value, which results in risks to children and young people not being wholly understood.
- Transition for children between service provision is not always well enough considered for them, particularly as they approach 18.
- The understanding of the impact for different cohorts of children in relation to serious youth violence and particularly the potential for disproportionate responses to Black boys.

3 Strengths

- A well-considered and tailored approach is taken to ensure that the right resources and personnel are matched to the needs of each child to build a trusting relationship.
- Agencies work effectively together, within Coventry and beyond the area's boundaries. The 'no borders' approach adopted by partners benefits children who move between areas to reduce risk for children and their families.
- The specialist Horizon Team is a highly effective multi-agency resource working with key partners who support children at risk of violence, including those children who have committed serious violent crimes.
- Sophisticated and embedded mapping of places and people is done in real time and shared with key partners, including the police and probation, to identify further children who may be at risk.
- Exploitation screening tools are well embedded and used by partners to ensure an up-to-date understanding of risk which includes criminal exploitation and serious youth violence.
- Effective out-of-court disposal arrangements are in place to prevent children being criminalised unnecessarily.
- A well-embedded trauma-informed approach across all agencies supports reflective practice.
- Effective strategic partnerships maintain a comprehensive overview of risks. Partners develop strategic and joint commissioning plans to deliver a range of effective services and

interventions that reduce and disrupt child criminal exploitation and serious youth violence, which make children, their families and communities safer.

- West Midlands Ambulance Service supports the area of Coventry to reduce the impact of serious youth violence through a number of well-thought-through initiatives.
- Engagement with communities, children, and parents and carers is strong and service developments are very much informed by their views.

4 Main findings

Coventry has high levels of deprivation. It is the 43rd most deprived local authority in England. About 32% of its areas are among the most deprived 20% in England. About 30% of pupils in the area are eligible for pupil premium, compared with 28% for England overall. In Coventry, 58% of children are from ethnic minority groups.

Children at risk of serious youth violence and criminal exploitation receive an effective and timely response from partner agencies in the multi-agency safeguarding hub (MASH). These vulnerable children are appropriately viewed as needing help and protection, and receive a response focused on their welfare. Serious violence risks are identified collectively, enhanced by access to the exploitation workers in the specialist exploitation Horizon Team. Additional intelligence gained from complex mapping ensures a strong response to identification of other children who may be at risk beyond those who are the focus of the referral. Parents are involved in decision-making whenever possible and MASH checks reference the strengths in the family as identified by parents and children.

Strategy meetings are routinely attended by all key agencies, which achieve timely and effective outcomes to investigate and reduce risks. However, although information is exchanged out of office hours and advice given, strategy meetings do not routinely take place in response even to serious incidents. This means information is not fully shared at the earliest opportunity and immediate safeguarding decisions are made without full information or seeing the children and their parents.

Agencies work together effectively, within Coventry and beyond the area's boundaries. Children who move between areas benefit from the 'no borders' consideration used by partners to reduce risk. Information is shared effectively across most agencies who work with children and young people. However, there are some exceptions, such as when information is not shared with GPs and acute health services.

Care is taken to apply a tailored approach to ensure that the right resources and personnel are matched to the needs of each child to build a trusting relationship. Practitioners across agencies, including the third sector, build strong, sustained and trusting relationships with children. Strong relationships are achieved with children, as a result of the persistent strength-based and tailored approach to working with these highly vulnerable children. Staff are responsive to individual children's needs, and advocate for the right support to be given, including the right health practitioners. Workers across agencies have a strong understanding of the needs of these children, which includes children's backgrounds, interests and things that

motivate them. This enables children to have the confidence to speak and share their experiences and opinions with professionals and trusted adults.

Exploitation screening tools are well embedded and used by partners to accurately understand, analyse and review risks which include criminal exploitation and serious youth violence for most children. This ensures that there is an up-to-date understanding of risk. These children are supported and helped to understand their experiences and the progress they have made to reduce risks. Intensive Multiagency Case Consultation (IMACC) assessment is an example of strong planning, involving a wide range of agencies known to the family, which leads to a comprehensive shared assessment of need via a case formulation approach.

Professional curiosity is not sufficiently consistent across all partner organisations. Although many practitioners display an enquiring approach, some lack sufficient professional curiosity, meaning that children's explanations are accepted at face value and that the child's wider lived experience is not fully explored. Occasional overoptimism about parental capacity to change and sustain improvements is evident for a small number of children for whom there are also concerns within the home as well as risks from serious youth violence and child criminal exploitation. This results in some potential risks and needs not always being wholly understood at the earliest opportunity.

Robust consideration and delivery of the right intervention at the right time with the right person through a range of interventions leads to positive outcomes which reduce risks. Horizon workers undertake direct work which is creative and encourages children to talk about their heritage and history. This opens the door to more difficult conversations about risk of criminal exploitation and serious youth violence. Close working relationships with the police promote good information sharing about these risks combined with joint work and visiting when needed.

There is a clear public health approach across the partnership to reduce the risk of serious youth violence. This is supported and equally driven by all partners and providers at both operational and strategic level. An example of this is with the public health offer from school nursing, where universal health questionnaire findings are being used to inform education and police intelligence.

It is a strength that children within the Youth Justice Service or those who are in care can be prioritised for neurodevelopmental assessments, although not all practitioners are aware of this. Children wait too long to receive mental health assessments when in crisis. This means that families have to manage their child's mental health needs without immediate mental health assessment, support and guidance. For children in care, there is a delay in receiving their initial health assessment. This means that looked after children who experience serious youth violence could have unidentified health needs when entering the care system.

Transition between services as children grow older is not planned for sufficiently well. Progress has been made to improve transition for young people between the Youth Justice Service and the Probation Service. Transition between different phases of education, both pre- and post-16 to 18 years old, is not always considered at an earlier enough stage for this cohort of children, who are more likely to have experienced educational disruption. As children reach 18 years old, plans for their next stage are less clear about how the momentum of the multi-agency protective work already under way will be sustained. For older children after they leave care, the level of intelligence gathering and sharing drops significantly, as does the level and frequency of

visiting and support, often at a point in their lives where they may become more vulnerable as they start to live independently.

Staff working with children are well supported with their emotional and personal safety. Most practitioners receive good-quality safeguarding supervision and have access to safeguarding teams to raise concerns. Some services use trauma-informed supervision to support the emotional well-being of their staff as well as consideration of vicarious trauma.

Clear governance arrangements are in place which sight and align several strategic boards on the issue of serious youth violence in the city. Jointly commissioned services avoid duplication and match the best resource to the child. The parity afforded to the third sector provision greatly enhances the offer available to children.

Development of trust with young people and their families has been instrumental in developing effective solutions and creative ways of working with young people.

Several strategic boards, which include the Community Safety Partnership, Coventry Safeguarding Children Board (CSCP) as well as the regional Violence Reduction Partnership and the more recently established Coventry Serious Violence Prevention Partnership, deliver the overarching exploitation priority. Many subgroups operate effectively and are coordinated through strong executive arrangements within the CSCP executive board which provides a regular forum with leaders from the three core agencies. Exploitation is a key priority across the strategic partnerships, which subgroups address through a range of coordinated and aligned actions. Leaders and managers across agencies share and analyse a plethora of information to better know and understand the prevalence of child criminal exploitation and serious youth violence. This means there is a comprehensive, up-to-date understanding of the localities where children may be at risk. Core performance data is shared, and intelligence informs planning for these boards, coordinated by the leaders of the three core agencies through the Coventry Safeguarding Children Partnership executive board. Key findings are consistently conveyed to enable partners to overcome challenges and find solutions.

Leaders within these strategic partnerships are aware of some data challenges across the partnership and are proactively exploring ways to use data more smartly to further strengthen their understanding and to further improve services. Partnership work is at an early stage to better understand how disproportionality of risk from serious youth violence and criminal exploitation impacts on different cohorts of children within Coventry. Action has not yet been taken to address agency approaches and outcomes for particular cohorts of children based on ethnicity and gender. Leaders are well aware that headline figures of an improving picture of reduced incidence of serious youth violence should not deflect from the real lived experience of very vulnerable young people.

A range of effective and responsive interventions for individuals and communities impacted by serious youth violence are commissioned by the partnership. A diverse range of partner organisations and interventions are in place which prevent, disrupt and intervene, having a positive impact on serious youth violence across the city. The One Coventry plan brings together partnership activity and actions into a single plan. The collaborative public health approach to serious youth violence aligns well with the One Coventry objective for Coventry to be a child-friendly city. A clear multiagency strategy and approach enables the partnership to meet and adapt to need and respond contemporaneously to emerging changes. A strong partnership

strategic needs assessment leads to recommendations for each agency to continually improve their response to youth violence. The needs analysis uses data from practitioners from each agency and people with lived experience, as well as benchmarking against national statistics and research which adds to the understanding of these risks in a much fuller way.

A joint commissioning approach has enabled the development of an extensive and innovative range of third sector provision which has equal footing within the partnership and is valued by children. Many initiatives are research-based and evaluated. The breadth of provision, provided within local communities and involving approaches which encourage aspiration and mentoring by those with lived experience, makes children safer.

Safeguarding children and young people is woven through the practice of the ambulance service in Coventry. A very small, dedicated safeguarding team operates at both operational and strategic levels. Despite some of the challenges that an extremely large regional ambulance service brings, the service is working with place based partners and the local business community in Coventry to have a number of bleed kits, trauma kits and an increased number of defibrillators accessible for the local community to use while waiting for ambulance services. This is an example of innovative practice and demonstrates how West Midlands Ambulance Service is supporting the area of Coventry to reduce the impact of serious youth violence.

Coventry has a strong and varied third sector offer for vulnerable children and their families, provided by a range of local organisations in a non-stigmatising, connected and well-structured way. A robust partnership approach is in place to inform decisions about the interventions of partners in places and spaces. Relevant partners are involved to make these locations safer. Locations of concern are identified effectively through several channels among safeguarding partners across the city. Each location is evaluated individually, and a flexible approach is adopted, recognising that multiple partners may be needed to enhance safety for young people in a particular area.

The City Outreach offer embodies an effective public health approach which reduces the risk of child criminal exploitation and serious youth violence. It is based on a whole-system approach which includes service design, reducing safeguarding risks within the city spaces, as well as mentoring, practical support and diversionary activities. Jointly commissioned services avoid duplication and match the best resource to the child. The parity afforded to the third sector provision greatly enhances the offer available to children. Development of trust with young people and their families has been instrumental in developing effective solutions and creative ways of working with young people.

Engagement with communities, children, and parents and carers is strong and service developments are very much informed by their views. Community consultation is an integral part of planning. Effective sharing of ideas helps to avoid duplication. The third sector provides important insights into the day-to-day reality for children and families living with the impact of serious youth violence and child criminal exploitation. The violence reduction partnership heard from children directly via a youth assembly about 'countering the narrative'. This has led to work with a local community and the production of a short film covering the positive bonds within the community. For those children who are already in the criminal justice system, the use of a shadow board by the Youth Justice Service called 'through their eyes' is shaping service delivery, leading to services and interventions which are reducing risks for these very vulnerable children.

Free transport enables children to travel safely in and out of the city to access venues, with alternative venues available for those children who do not feel safe travelling into the city centre, so that arrangements are tailored to give the best service to the child rather than the child having to fit to the service. There are many examples of positive impact. These include increased attendance at school, college and training and improved emotional health and self-esteem. Learning and evaluation of services and interventions are used well to enable continuous improvement and to ensure clarity of the interventions offered. Tangible continual learning enables commissioned services to adapt to trends and changes. The voice and empowerment of children to influence service design are tangible. Staff and volunteers are skilled and knowledgeable, with a strong commitment to optimise impact and to get the best for children.

Welcoming, high-quality spaces for children and families provide prime safe spaces with high-quality diversionary activities and support to families in the city.

Safeguarding risks identified in particular city areas are reduced within the city by a coordinated partnership-based approach to design out crime. Examples include changes to licensing of businesses, removal of drain covers around the bus station and improved lighting in certain problem areas.

Practice study: highly effective practice

Child A is part of a family with a history of criminal behaviour and an older sibling is serving a considerable sentence in custody for a serious offence. A bright and able child, they began to get involved in criminal activity with another brother. Although Child A's mother was seen as a protective factor for her children, she found it difficult to fully understand the risks they faced or to trust agencies.

Persistent work by practitioners with the children and their mum developed stronger and more open relationships. Working together, using a case formulation approach facilitated by a mental health practitioner, professionals developed an in-depth understanding, including the factors and triggers for offending behaviour of Child A and their siblings. A trauma-informed approach enabled professionals working with the child to understand how best to develop bespoke interventions.

An effective cross-boundary mapping exercise, attended by a broad range of agencies, including a neighbouring local authority, captured the complex relationships between the children and others in the community, which significantly increased the understanding of risk to the children and others. This led to proportionate safeguarding measures being put into place.

The Youth Justice Service used in-house parenting provision effectively to deliver a Parenting Order. Work continued on a voluntary basis afterwards to engage mum more fully to assist her to meet health and other needs. This helped her understand the risk to her children and increased her ability to better help them. She has continued working with services voluntarily.

Working together creatively using their knowledge of Child A's talent and skills, as well as the risks they faced, meant agencies were able to harness their love of sport to identify an apprenticeship for them. They are now fully engaged with this. They have since passed a GCSE and are on course to pass another. Importantly, the child's views were fully considered when developing these education and training opportunities.

The trusting relationships that have been developed between agencies, Child A and their family are now firmly embedded and have significantly reduced the risk of serious youth violence and criminal exploitation. A realistic understanding of progress and the trajectory of travel have not always been positive, but the partnership has persevered, and for Child A, the effectiveness of this support has been reflected by a sustained period of desistance from offending, reduction in risk and engagement in training and education.

Practice study: highly effective practice

The Guiding Young Minds project is an outreach community-based provision that offers mentoring and specialist holistic services to children. Guiding Young Minds has established four youth clubs in areas of high crime and antisocial behaviour. These youth clubs offer a safe space and access to support for children and young people who require it. Children benefit from positive activities that occupy their time purposefully, meaning they avoid spending time unsupervised on the streets. A mobile outreach van is also offered to engage with communities at times of heightened tensions and antisocial behaviour to offer the community a safe space and source of support.

Guiding Young Minds provides a strong link into communities. They respond quickly to intelligence and provide the Step Together service to provide safe passage for children, for example at school closure times. The service uses an online messaging service to respond and share information, enabling them to relocate to areas where there may be greater concern and provide swift interventions.

Staff carry bleed packs and have been trained in cognitive behaviour therapy, dialectic behaviour therapy and trauma-informed practice. Mentors and staff are excellent role models for children, generously sharing their life experiences, giving children insight into the realities of being involved in exploitation and crime. Mentors offer one-to-one support and guidance to children. This includes visits to children in custody to maintain positive relationships both pre- and post-release back into the community. They have high aspirations for children and help them to realise that there are positive life-altering alternatives, which instil a sense of belief in them. This significantly reduces the risk of serious youth violence and criminal exploitation by raising self-esteem and enables children to think about and act on their long-term identity and goals in life.

5 Next steps

We have determined that Coventry City Council is the principal authority and should prepare a written statement of proposed action responding to the findings outlined in this letter. This should be a multi-agency response involving the individuals and agencies that this report is addressed to. The response should set out the actions for the partnership and, when appropriate, individual agencies. The local safeguarding partners should oversee implementation of the action plan through their local multiagency safeguarding arrangements.

CSCP should send the written statement of action to

ProtectionOfChildren@ofsted.gov.uk by 27 August 2024. This statement will inform the lines of enquiry at any future joint or single-agency activity by the inspectorates.

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APPENDIX B

Coventry CIRV Update – Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee

Case numbers

The project went live in April 2023 in both Coventry and Wolverhampton. The project is subject to rigorous academic evaluation (paid for by the Youth Endowment Fund) to determine whether the intervention is effective. Since going live, there have been a total of 493 eligible referrals and cases identified by CIRV. The breakdown of these cases is as follows:

Cohort 1 Control – 96

Cohort 1 Treatment – 94

Cohort 2 Control – 117

Cohort 2 Treatment – 100

Case worked* – 86

***Case worked** are the cohort members which are out of scope of evaluation identified via Trial 2 referral process (as they said yes to the offer at first contact).

At present, there are 46 people currently engaged with CIRV Navigators and 20 are on the disruption pathway. Those identified for disruption are identified based on recent offending, and every case is researched by an analyst to ensure the case warrants disruption and it would not be disproportionate.

High Level Updates

The CIRV Team continue to grow their links to local partners and businesses to generate new opportunities across a broad range of sectors for the people we're work with. Recent connections include a national construction company and a national security company.

Outside of employment opportunities for young people, we have also expanded the range of services available for cohort members including Cognitive Behavioural Therapy and St Johns Ambulance Young Responders Training.

This is in addition to the bespoke provision and support that can be sourced via spot purchase available to Navigators. This is used when it contributes to defined goals as identified in supervisor reviews, and the cohort member is also contributing towards their development.

In Q2 we are expecting both an updated website and a new promotional film to both go live. This will improve both the visibility and amount of information publicly available



about the programme. We are also planning to step up broader communications work with posters due to be displayed at Coventry bus station, and good news stories shared with partners.

Work is also ongoing to further develop and target disruption pathways with the Guardian Team to ensure it is as effective as possible at reducing offending behaviour through either engagement or CIRV or desistance as a direct result of the disruption activity.

Case Study

MI had a large footprint on Police systems, linked to a known gang and has previously been arrested for offences including attempt murder and possession of firearm with intent to endanger life (these have since been NFA'd and he has no impending prosecutions) and there are 115 intelligence logs linked to him.

MI was first offered CIRV on 27/7/23 and declined the offer. He was then added to the disruption list and each time that the NTF conducted OM visits at the address, they gave him a CIRV card and re explained the programme to him. During a visit by officers on 20/11/23 MI stated that he did want to engage with CIRV and CIRV team were updated. CIRV Navigator attended MI's home address on 23/11/23 and he signed up to the programme.

A full gang injunction was granted against MI at Birmingham County Court and runs from 23/11/22 until 22/11/24 which has a number of conditions including restrictions on areas that he can go to and prevents him from communicating or associating with named individuals.

MI was initially a little bit guarded about CIRV and the fact that it was a Police programme due to his past and previous interactions with Police but over time Navigator has worked to build his trust, build a rapport with him and develop a relationship.

MI's main objective when he joined CIRV was to go back to University as he started an economics degree in Brighton a few years ago but dropped out of the course due to having a lot going on with his chaotic lifestyle. MI said that now he is in his mid twenties, he wants to change his life and his goal is to stay on the right path now and stay out of trouble. He also opened up about the fact that he suffers with his mental health from events in the past including the fact that his friend was shot dead in 2020, which he said still causes him to feel very angry at times.

MI was fitted with a tag when he joined CIRV, which he was happy to wear but this has since been removed.



The Navigator has been seeing MI on a weekly basis to have catch up with him and so that any issues or areas of support that are needed can be identified and dealt with asap and MI has always been very polite and grateful for the support.

MI has engaged well with St Giles and had weekly sessions with him in relation to his mental health, dealing with his emotions, consequences of his actions etc and he has found sessions very beneficial. St Giles also did an AVision counselling referral for MI and as a result of that he has been attending trauma counselling sessions.

MI has commented that this has been particularly useful for him as he has a lot of past trauma, which he has always declined support for in the past and it was actually something that he really struggled with. He said that he feels in a much better place mentally as a result of the counselling sessions and these sessions are ongoing.

MI has also engaged well with Prospects, which has resulted in him receiving an unconditional offer at Manchester University for September 2024 to do a Business Management and Economics degree, which he has accepted. MI is delighted with this and is really looking forward to starting his degree and having a fresh start in Manchester.

There have been no new intel logs or crime reports linked to MI since he joined CIRV and he has maintained a focussed and positive outlook throughout.

Since being on CIRV MI has achieved his objectives in relation to getting accepted to University to do a degree and staying out of trouble, as he has not come to Police attention since being on the programme.

CIRV is optimistic that MI will have a bright and successful future!

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Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee
Cabinet

26th June 2024
9th July 2024

Name of Cabinet Member:

Cabinet Member of Policing and Equalities – Councillor A S Khan

Director approving submission of the report:

Director of Law and Governance

Ward(s) affected:

All

Title: Proposed Consultation for the Community Safety Partnership Plan 2024-2027

Is this a key decision?

No - although the Plan would affect all wards of the City, this report seeks approval for a city-wide consultation

Executive summary:

Community Safety Partnerships (CSPs) are the statutory body that bring together local partners to solve shared issues around Crime and Disorder, Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB), Drug and Alcohol misuse and Reoffending. The CSP in Coventry meets as the Police and Crime Board (PCB) and is chaired by the Local Authority.

CSPs are required to develop an overarching Community Safety Partnership Plan under the Crime and Disorder Act 1998. The plan provides an overview of the work and priority areas that fall under the responsibility of the CSP.

The Plan is intended to focus upon those issues of most concern to residents, that cause the most harm to communities, and require a coordinated approach to deliver lasting change.

The Community Safety Plan will be informed by:

- the views of residents, including those who have been affected by crime and/or accessing services;
- analysis of the problem, drawing on data and information from a breadth of partners;
- evidence of “what works” in tackling crime and disorder; and

- the views of professionals and stakeholders working locally.

To help inform the Plan a public consultation will be undertaken and the information together with data from West Midlands Police will be reviewed in workshops by the sub-groups of the PCB. This will be used to develop a Community Safety Partnership Plan which will identify how these priorities will be delivered.

When complete, the draft Plan will be brought back to Cabinet for approval on 7th January 2025.

Recommendations:

Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee is recommended to:

- 1) Consider the requirements of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 and the need to create a Community Safety Partnership Plan.
- 2) Identify any further recommendations for Cabinet.
- 3) Agree to receive a future report setting out the responses received, and the proposed Community Safety Partnership Plan 2024-2027.

Cabinet is recommended to:

- 1) Consider the requirements of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 and the need to create a Community Safety Partnership Plan.
- 2) Authorise a citywide 12-week consultation beginning 10th July to 2nd October 2024.
- 3) Request a future report setting out the responses received, and the proposed Community Safety Partnership Plan 2024-2027.

List of Appendices included:

The following appendices are attached to the report:

Appendix 1 – Engagement and Consultation Plan

Appendix 2 – Timeline of Plan

Appendix 3 – Equality Impact Assessment

Background papers:

None

Other useful documents

Crime and Disorder Act 1998

Has it or will it be considered by Scrutiny?

Yes – Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee 26th June 2024

Has it or will it be considered by any other Council Committee, Advisory Panel or other body?

No

Will this report go to Council?

No

Report Title: Proposed Consultation for the Community Safety Partnership Plan 2024-2027

1. Context (or background)

1.1. Under the Crime and Disorder Act 1998, the Council along with the Police have a joint responsibility for preventing and reducing crime and disorder within their area. They are “Responsible Authorities” and have a duty to cooperate through “Community Safety Partnership” (CSP).

1.2. In Coventry the CSP meets as the Police and Crime Board (PCB). The “Responsible Authorities” within the CSP are:

- Coventry City Council (Regulatory Services, Public Health, Youth offending Services)
- West Midlands Police
- West Midlands Fire and Rescue Authority
- West Midlands Probation Services
- Coventry and Warwickshire Integrated Care Board

Other stakeholders include:

- Citizen Housing
- Community Representatives

1.3. The PCB meets every quarter, the purpose of the group is to bring together local partners to solve shared issues around Crime and Disorder, Anti-Social Behaviour, Drugs and Alcohol misuse and Reoffending.

1.4. Every three years Community Safety Partnerships are required to develop an overarching Community Safety Partnership Plan under the Crime and Disorder Act 1998. The plan provides an overview of the work and priority areas that fall under the responsibility of the CSP.

1.5. In creating the Community Safety Partnership Plan the CSP are required to review the levels and patterns of crime and disorder in the area. This review is known as the Strategic Assessment. Within Coventry, the Strategic Assessment is created on behalf of the CSP, by West Midlands Police Partnership Intelligence Team (PILT) and looks back at the previous 12 months.

1.6. The Community Safety Partnership plan is also required to take the views of members of the public and stakeholders to establish their views on Community Safety. This will be completed through a public consultation.

1.7. The information from the public consultation and stakeholders, together with the data from the Strategic Assessment will be reviewed in workshops by the sub-groups on the PCB. This will be used to generate the Strategic priorities of the PCB and the Community Safety Partnership Plan will identify how these priorities will be delivered.

- 1.8. The final Community Safety Partnership Plan will be brought back to Cabinet on 7th January 2025 for final approval.
- 1.9. The Community Safety Partnership Plan will be monitored by the Police and Crime Board every quarter and the progress of specific actions will be monitored by the subgroups of the PCB.
- 1.10. Over the three-year period the data from the Strategic Assessment will be used to inform the PCB on the progress of the plan.

2. Options considered and recommended proposal

- 2.1. There are two options to consider. a) Take no action b) authorise a consultation and to inform the development of a Community Safety Partnership Plan.
- 2.2. The preferred option is b) and the main reasons for supporting this are as follows: -
 - The survey and plan will ensure legal compliance with the Crime and Disorder Act 1998.
 - The survey will ensure that the Council has taken members of the public and stakeholders' views into account when considering plans to reduce crime and disorder. This will also enable the Council to take into account and promote and value the diversity of Coventry residents and all communities, adapting the delivery of partnership priorities to their needs.
 - The plan will give an accountable and coordinated response to enable the City Council and its partners to reduce crime and disorder within the city.
 - The plan will be monitored by the PCB on a quarterly basis this will ensure that partners are held accountable for reducing crime and disorder in Coventry.

3. Consultation approach and strategy

- 3.1. Under the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 CSPs are required to seek the views of members of the public when creating Community Safety Partnerships Plans.
- 3.2. A city wide 12-week consultation will commence on 10th July 2024 and will end on 2nd October 2024. A detailed consultation plan, which sets out the approach to the consultation is attached at Appendix 1 to the report. This will use a range of communication methods. The approach will also be informed by an Equality Impact Assessment which is attached in Appendix 3 to the report.
- 3.3. In summary the consultation will include:
 - A dedicated Let's talk page containing an online questionnaire,
 - Focus Groups with key stakeholder groups,
 - Drop-In sessions in various parts of the city, and
 - E-communications through social media and the Council Website.

3.4. The results of the consultation, together with the crime data from the Strategic Assessment will be reviewed by the sub-groups in the Police and Crime Board. This will be co-ordinated through themed workshops on:

- Public place safety and reassurance
- Vulnerable persons and victims
- Reducing reoffending and harm
- Exploitation and youth violence

3.5. During the workshops the subgroups will identify the priorities and will identify actions to achieve the priorities. These actions will form the basis of objectives within the Community Safety Partnership Plan together with deadlines and key performance indicators and ownership of each action.

4. Timetable for implementing this decision

4.1. The proposed timetable for the implementation the recommendation of this report is set out in Appendix 2 to the report.

5. Comments from the Director of Finance and Resources and the Director of Law and Governance

5.1. Financial Implications

The financial implications associated with the recommendation are limited to the costs associated with implementing the consultation. To support the CSP statutory duty to reduce crime and disorder, CSPs are allocated a small fund from the Home Office. Last year this was £153K. Future CSP funding will therefore be aligned to these priorities.

5.2. Legal Implications

Under Section 5 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998, the Council along with the Police have a joint responsibility for preventing and reducing crime and disorder within their area. They are “Responsible Authorities” and have a duty to co-operate through “Community Safety Partnership” (CSP).

Community Safety Partnership also have a legal duty to formulate a strategy for the reduction of crime and disorder in the area. This strategy is known as the Partnership Plan. Before formulating a strategy, the Responsible Authorities are required to carry out a review of levels and partners of crime and disorder. This review is known as the Strategic Assessment.

6. Other implications

6.1. How will this contribute to the One Coventry Plan?

<https://www.coventry.gov.uk/strategies-plans-policies/one-coventry-plan>

The One Coventry Plan 2022 - 2030 takes forward the main themes agreed by the Council in recent years. It reaffirms the Council’s ambition of “Working together to improve our city and the lives of those who live, work and study here”.

This ambition is driven through three corporate priorities which directly address the needs of the city:

Improving outcomes and tackling inequalities within our communities
Improving the economic prosperity of the city and regions
Tackling the causes and consequences of climate change

The primary driver for all the work carried out by the Community Safety Partnership is to coordinate City and Partner resources to prevent and reduce crime and ASB.

The CSP work together to:

- Prevent offending
- Managing and changing the behaviour of offenders
- Reduce crime, the fear of crime and ASB
- Reduce the harm of illegal drugs and alcohol and support safer socialising
- Minimising the risk of harm to vulnerable people
- Supporting victims
- Protecting communities
- Protecting locations from crime and making public spaces safer

The Community Safety Partnership Plan will support the following priorities of the Regulatory Services Operational Plan 24/25:

Priority 8 - Prevent and reduce crime, disorder, ASB and environmental issues that affect the quality of life in the city.

Priority 9 - Tackling violence and abuse in all forms, including sexual assault and abuse, serious violence and domestic abuse.

How is risk being managed?

Under the Crime and Disorder Act 1998, the Council has a duty to work together with partners to reduce crime and anti-social behaviour in their area. The consultation will ensure we have taken the views of members of the public and stakeholders into account. The plan will also ensure we have a co-ordinated response to tackling crime and ASB.

6.2. What is the impact on the organisation?

The approval of the recommendations to conduct a consultation should have a limited impact on the organisation. There is no human resource, financial or ICT implication as the consultation exercise will be carried out using current resources.

6.3. Equalities / EIA?

The report makes links to the Council's Equalities and Diversity Policies. The data from the Strategic Assessment will be used to inform the Equality Impact. A draft Equality Impact Assessment has been completed and is attached at Appendix 3 to the report. The final version of the Equality Impact Assessment will be presented to Cabinet on 7th January 2025.

6.4. Implications for (or impact on) climate change and the environment?

The Community Safety Partnership aims to tackle place-based issues. The consultation will obtain the views on place-based ASB and the Community Safety Partnership Plan will support improving this objective.

6.5. Implications for partner organisations?

The Community Safety Partnership is made up of a wide range of partners which are detail in 1.2 of the report. The consultation will obtain the views of these partners and will require them to work in partnership to achieve the priorities of the Community Safety Partnership Plan.

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Coventry Community Safety Partnership

Engagement and Consultation Plan



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1. Introduction

1.1 What is the purpose of this engagement?

Coventry City Council wishes to consult and seek the views of residents, and all other stakeholders in relation to the creation of a 3-year Community Safety Partnership Plan to direct the delivery of its priorities.

Community Safety Partnerships (CSPs) are the statutory body that bring together local partners to solve shared issues around Crime and Disorder, Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB), Drug and alcohol misuse and reoffending. The CSP in Coventry meets as the Police and Crime Board (PCB).

Every three years Community Safety Partnerships are required to develop an overarching Community Safety Partnership Plan under the Crime and Disorder Act 1998. The plan provides an overview of the work and priority areas that fall under the responsibility of the CSP.

In advance of the plan, the CSP will be using information from the Strategic Assessment. The Strategic Assessment is created on behalf of the CSP by West Midlands Police Partnership Intelligence Liaison Team. It provides an analysis of the level and patterns of crime and disorder in the city over the last 12 months.

The information from the public consultation and stakeholders, together with the data from the Strategic Assessment will be reviewed in workshops by the sub-groups of the PCB. This will be used to generate the strategic priorities of the PCB and a Community Safety Partnership Plan will identify how these priorities will be delivered.

1.2 What do we want to achieve?

The main purpose of this activity is to help the Community Safety Partnerships to consult with the public as required by the Crime and Disorder Act 1998, which will allow them to develop and carry out strategies that reduce crime and disorder, address substance misuse and decrease reoffending in their local authority area.

The objectives of the activity are:

- To collect and summarise the views and opinions of the residents in Coventry about ASB & crime & disorder.
- To record any feedback from key partners and stakeholders in the city and any challenges they may face in achieving their aims

1.3 How do we plan to achieve our objectives?

The Council proposes to carry out a 12-week consultation to obtain feedback and views on issues connected to ASB and crime & disorder. Following this wide reaching consultation the Council will analyse the responses and develop a report to demonstrate how it has responded to the suggestions received. The results of the consultation will help to inform the production of a 3-year Community Safety Plan. These final proposals will be published and formally agreed by the Council.

2. What can be influenced by the public and what is fixed?

Fixed:

- The length of time the plan will be in operation.

Can be influenced by the public:

- Priorities
- How we deliver on the priorities
- How we can support their issues

3. Engagement and Consultation Plan

3.1 Who are we engaging with?

The following list are examples of the stakeholders that the Council will consult with and is not limited.

General Target Group	Examples of Individuals/Organisations
Organisations that represent residents' in the city	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acorn Union • The Tenants Voice • Belgrave Road & Neighborhood Watch Association • Cannon Park Residents Association • Bell Green Area Tenants and Residents Association • Chapelfields Area Residents and Traders Association (CARTA) • Charterhouse Resident's Association • Cheylesmore Good Neighbours • Clifford Bridge Community Association • Deedmore Residents Association • Gosford Park Residents Association • Manor Farm Residents Association • Paradise Community Action Group (PCAG) • Princess Street Residents' Association • Singer Residents Group • St. Catherine's Resident's Association • Stoke Aldermoor Resident's Association • Stoke Heath Resident's Association • Styvechale Grange Resident's Association • Tile Hill South Resident's Association • Tile Hill Village Residents Group • Upper Stoke Resident's Association • Wood End Residents and Friends (WERAF) • Wood End, Henley Green and Manor Farm (WEHM) • Frontline Network

Universities/Colleges	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coventry University • Warwick University • Arden University • Coventry Students' Union • Warwick Students' Union • City College • Herewood College
Youth Groups	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guiding Young Minds • Positive Youth Foundation • Sky Blues in the Community • Bardsley Youth Project
Charities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CW Mind • Shelter • Crisis • Citizens Advice • City YMCA • Cyrenians • Steps For Change • Emmaus • Valley House • Haven • Grapevine
Local Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business Improvement District • Federation of Business Owners
Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coventry Pride • DEN (Internal) • Local Councillors
Advice groups	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Citizens Advice Bureau • Coventry Independent Advice Service • Age UK Coventry and Warwickshire • Coventry Refugee and Migrant Centre
Emergency Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • West Midlands Police • West Midlands Fire and Rescue Service

3.2 When and how are we engaging?

This consultation will last for 12 weeks, starting on 10th July 2024 and ending on 2nd October 2024. The consultation period has been set to allow us to reach out to a broad variety of stakeholders. To facilitate this we have planned several different engagement activities for the consultation, including:

Online consultation questionnaire

The main way for people to share their opinions and thoughts on the plan will be through a consultation page on the Council's online platform "Let's Talk". This will help us to collect, compare and track responses.

The page on the Council's website will give the respondent all the information they need about the proposal so they can provide relevant information. They can use the online survey on any device - mobile, tablet and laptop/computer. Residents who don't have digital access can ask for a paper copy or get help to do the survey digitally at one of our engagement sessions.

Meetings/workshops/forums/engagement sessions

We will organise several events to engage stakeholders as part of the consultation. We will visit various forums to inform them about the consultation and respond to their enquiries. We will invite attendees to participate in our consultation workshops and/or complete our online consultation survey on the tablets that we will provide at the sessions.

To hear from residents in different locations, we will hold sessions throughout the city. We will also reach out to support networks and local groups so that different residents can share their views on our proposals and their local crime and anti-social issues.

In writing/email

Contact details will also be advertised as part of the consultation so that representations can also be made via e-mail or in writing. There will be a dedicated email address for responses.

The consultation will take note of any formal petitions and will also take note of any activity on social media, although this will not equate to a formal representation.

3.3 What are the questions we will ask?

The sample questions shown here are taken from our planned online consultation survey and are not meant to cover everything. There will be a comprehensive pack with all the relevant information to help respondents comprehend what they are being asked and provide a thoughtful response.

1. Have you or anyone you know been a victim of ASB or crime in the last 12 months?
2. Do you go into Coventry city centre on a regular basis during the day?
3. Do you go into Coventry city centre on a regular basis at night/evening?
4. What do you think are the biggest crime and ASB issues in your neighbourhood?

5. From the list below which three options do you think should be the main priorities for Coventry's Community Safety partnership to focus on.
 - Anti-social Behaviour (i.e. noisy neighbours, begging, hanging around streets, minor damage, graffiti)
 - Hate Crime
 - Motor Vehicle Crime/theft
 - Robbery
 - Burglary
 - Theft
 - Youth violence, gangs
 - Violent crime
 - Drugs offences
 - Other – If selected allow for open text box

6. Do you have any additional thoughts on the priorities for the Coventry Community Safety Partnership, or about community safety issues in general?

7. From the list below please select the five most effective ways that you think crime could be reduced in your neighbourhood and the city.
 - High visibility patrols by police/wardens
 - Mediation services for neighbours or local conflicts
 - Target hardening e.g. better physical security
 - Specialist support for victims of crime
 - Family and parental support
 - Specialist support to reduce reoffending
 - Improving employment opportunities/supporting business
 - Community Pay Back projects
 - Involve community in designing responses to crime
 - Outreach youth work in local communities
 - Specialist support for individuals
 - Youth services and activities
 - Environmental improvements for local neighbourhoods
 - Law enforcement for criminals
 - Enforcement against anti-social behaviour
 - Increasing CCTV
 - Other – If selected allow for open text box
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8. From the list below select three ways you think Coventry's Community safety partnership could help local communities respond to ASB and crime in your area.
 - Community groups that advise local services about crime issues
 - Information about support for those affected by crime
 - Personal safety/security
 - Community Champions providing advice on safety issues
 - Examples of enforcement against those who commit crime
 - Information on actions taken by CSP to tackle crime
 - Information about crime/disorder trends in your area
 - Guidance on how to report crime/anti-social behaviour
 - Neighbourhood watch schemes

- Other – If selected allow for open text box
9. From the list below select all the ways you currently get news and updates from Coventry City Council.
- Coventry City Council web site
 - TikTok
 - Not Answered
 - YouTube
 - Instagram
 - Posters
 - Facebook
 - Community Forums

3.4 How will we promote the engagement opportunity?

The Council will communicate effectively to encourage feedback from the consultation and ensure that it reflects the opinions of the impacted groups. The main goal of the consultation is to inform and educate stakeholders about the proposals and how they can share their views. Communications will continue during the consultation and will involve:

- Advertising on electronic media such as Coventry City Council website
- An e-form linked to the main consultation webpage
- Advertising on social media such as Twitter, Instagram and Facebook
- Straplines linked to the main consultation page to be added to all officer email signatures
- Direct mail and email to local communities
- Community meetings and events in Coventry including focus groups for the representatives of some minority groups
- Emails to local stakeholders
- A dedicated email address for responses
- PowerPoint presentations for events
- Direct emailing of Resident Associations
- Invitation of various stakeholders to online workshops
- Presentations at online forums
- Advertised internally on staff intranet

3.5 What is our plan for letting people know the outcome of the consultation?

The consultation process will involve keeping a formal record of each event or period of consultation and the feedback received. The record will include the date of the consultation, the type of consultation, the participants and the feedback provided. After the consultation is finished and all responses are collected, all feedback will be evaluated and presented in the consultation report.

Coventry City Council will document all comments received and explain how they made decisions and weighed consultation responses with any evidence and information. They will put the consultation report on the website. The consultation results and response and any recommendations will go to the Council's Cabinet.

4. Activity plan

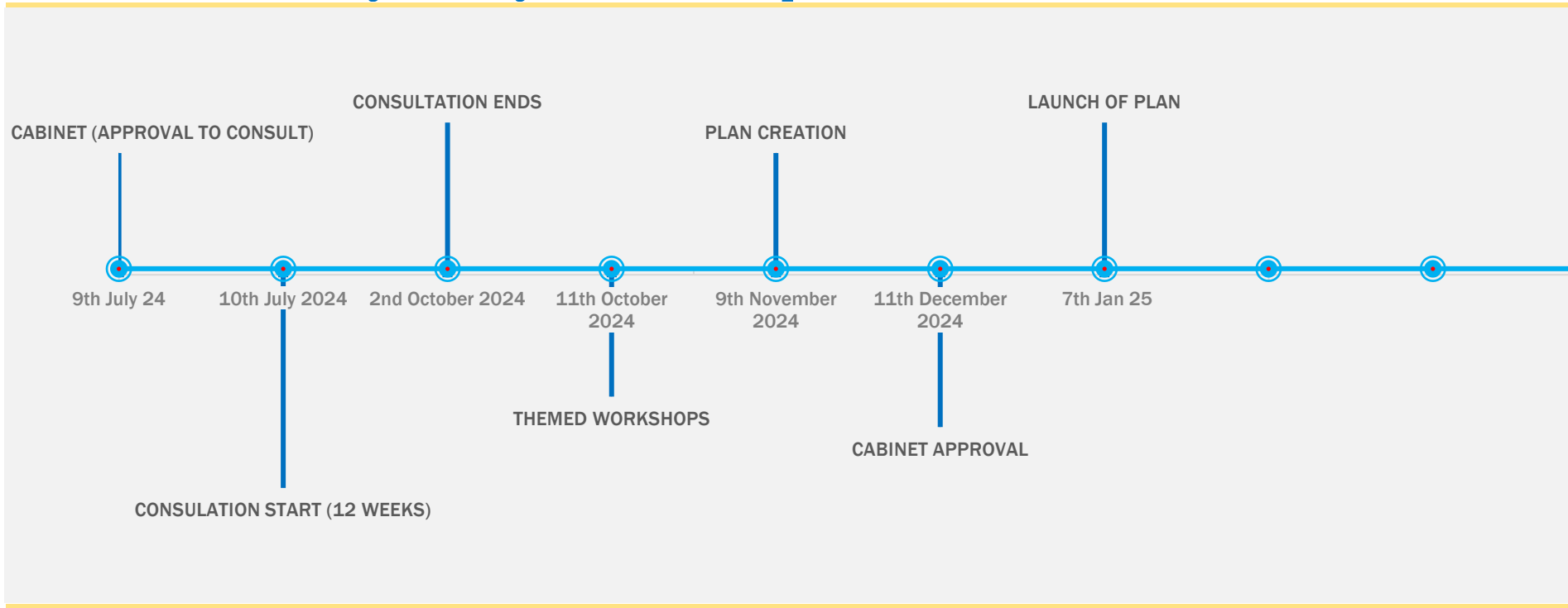
WHAT	WHO	PURPOSE	WHERE	WHEN
Attend Community Council Meetings		Introduce the plan to hold a consultation and ask for volunteers to attend our consultation workshops.	Online/in person	TBC
Strap lines on emails	General public	Advertise consultation	Community Safety Officers and management	Duration of consultation
Social media campaign	General public	Advertise consultation	Facebook. Twitter, Instagram and Yammer	Once a week for the duration of consultation
Advertising on electronic media	General public	Advertise consultation	Coventry City Council website & Let's Talk pages	Duration of consultation
Email/Mail shot to stakeholders	Mailing list	Advertise consultation	PCB members & Stakeholders	July
Email invitations	Mailing list	Invite groups and agents to our discussion workshops on our plan	Email	July
Electronic flyers	General public	Advertise consultation	Information in all CCC E Newsletters	Duration of consultation
Information bulletin	General public	To advertise the consultation and offer the public the chance to approach us informally and ask questions they have regarding the scheme.	TBC	Multiple events throughout the consultation

5. Contact information

Stakeholders are able to contact officers if they would like to know more about the engagement plan or activities via the details below:

Community Safety
 Address: PO Box 15
 Council House
 Earl Street
 Coventry
 CV1 5RR
 Telephone: 02475 270947
 Email: Communitysafety@coventry.gov.uk)
 Web: (Add link once page created)

Community Safety Partnership Plan



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Equality Impact Assessment

EIA-616638527 - Consultation and Creation of a Community Safety Partnership Plan

Details

Title	Consultation and Creation of a Community Safety Partnership Plan
Author	Joy Adams (CCTV and Community Safety Manager)
Head of service	Adrian Chowns (Head of Safer Communities)
Cabinet member	Cllr A Khan (Policing and Equalities)

Context and background

EIA carried out on	New policy or strategy
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Community Safety Partnerships (CSPs) are the statutory body that brings together local partners to solve shared issues around Crime and Disorder, Anti-Social Behaviour, Drug and Alcohol misuse, and Reoffending. The CSP in Coventry meets as the Police and Crime Board (PCB).

Every three years Community Safety Partnerships are required to develop an overarching Community Safety Partnership Plan under the Crime and Disorder Act 1998. The plan provides an overview of the work and priority areas that fall under the responsibility of the CSP.

Background

In advance of the plan, the CSP will be using information from the Strategic Assessment. The Strategic Assessment is created on behalf of the CSP, by West Midlands Police Partnership Intelligence Liaison Team. It provides an analysis of the level and patterns of crime and disorder in the City over the last 12 months.

A public consultation will also be undertaken to ask members of the public and key stakeholders on their views on community safety in the city, in its widest sense.

The information from the public consultation and stakeholders, together with the data from the Strategic Assessment will be reviewed in workshops by the sub-groups of the PCB. This will be used to generate the Strategic priorities of the PCB and a Community Partnership Plan will identify how these priorities will be delivered.

Stakeholders

- Coventry City Council (Regulatory Services, Public Health, Youth offending Services)
- West Midlands Police
- West Midlands Fire and Rescue Authority
- West Midlands Probation Services
- Coventry and Warwickshire Integrated Care Board

Other stakeholders include :-

- Citizen Housing
- Community Representatives

The Community Safety Partnership will be responsible for implementing the findings of the EIA> In Coventry the CSP meets as the Police and Crime Board (PCB). The “Responsible Authorities” within the CSP are:-

Responsibility

- Coventry City Council (Regulatory Services, Public Health, Youth offending Services)
- West Midlands Police
- West Midlands Fire and Rescue Authority
- West Midlands Probation Services
- Coventry and Warwickshire Integrated Care Board

Other stakeholders include :-

- Citizen Housing

Consideration of impact

Baseline data and information

Draft - information from the Strategic Assessment will be added. This will include the crime and ASB data within Coventry.

Protected groups

Positive impact - Under 18s are effected by crime as perpetrator and victim

The Community Safety Partnership Plan will also focus on key themes such as :

- Prevent offending
- Managing and changing the behaviour of offenders
- Reduce crime, the fear of crime and ASB
- Reduce the harm of illegal drugs and alcohol and support safer socialising
- Minimising the risk of harm to vulnerable people
- Supporting victims
- Protecting communities
- Protecting locations from crime and making public spaces safer.

Age 0-18

The Community Safety Survey will be targeted at Youth Services to capture the views of 0-18.

The data from the strategic assessment also provides information on Serious Youth Violence and the age profiles of victims and offenders. The created priorities will be focussed on the outcomes of the data and the public survey.

Draft - this will be updated with the priorities of the Community Safety Partnership Plan .

Positive impact - The consultation aims to capture the views of members of the public and their views of crime and fear of crime.

The Community Safety Partnership Plan will also focus on key themes such as :

Age 19-64

- Prevent offending
- Managing and changing the behaviour of offenders
- Reduce crime, the fear of crime and ASB
- Reduce the harm of illegal drugs and alcohol and support safer socialising
- Minimising the risk of harm to vulnerable people
- Supporting victims
- Protecting communities
- Protecting locations from crime and making public spaces safer

The Community Safety Survey will be targeted a residential groups and will be prompted through a range of social media and local publications to obtain the views of this age group.

The data from the strategic assessment also provides information on the age profiles of victims and offenders. The created priorities will be focussed on the outcomes of the data and the public survey.

Draft - this will be updated with the priorities of the Community Safety Partnership Plan .

Positive impact - The consultation aims to capture the views of members of the public and their views of crime and fear of crime.

The Community Safety Partnership Plan will also focus on key themes such as :

Age 65+

- Prevent offending
- Managing and changing the behaviour of offenders
- Reduce crime, the fear of crime and ASB
- Reduce the harm of illegal drugs and alcohol and support safer socialising
- Minimising the risk of harm to vulnerable people
- Supporting victims
- Protecting communities
- Protecting locations from crime and making public spaces safer

The Community Safety Survey will be targeted to residential groups and will be prompted through a range of social media and local publications to obtain the views of this age group.

The data from the strategic assessment also provides information on the age profiles of victims and offenders. The created priorities will be focussed on the outcomes of the data and the public survey.

Draft - this will be updated with the priorities of the Community Safety Partnership Plan .

Positive impact - The Community Safety Survey will be targeted disability group charities to obtain their views on crime in Coventry.

The Community Safety Partnership Plan will also focus on key themes such as :

Disability

- Reduce crime, the fear of crime and ASB
- Minimising the risk of harm to vulnerable people
- Supporting victims
- Protecting communities
- Protecting locations from crime and making public spaces safer

The Strategic Assessment will provide information on Hate Crime and will identify trends in relation to Hate Crime Disability.

Draft - this will be updated with the priorities of the Community Safety Partnership Plan .

Positive impact - The Community Safety Survey will be targeted to LBGQTQIA+ group charities to obtain their views on crime in Coventry.

The Community Safety Partnership Plan will also focus on key themes such as :

**Gender
reassignment**

- Reduce crime, the fear of crime and ASB
- Minimising the risk of harm to vulnerable people
- Supporting victims
- Protecting communities
- Protecting locations from crime and making public spaces safer

The Strategic Assessment will provide information on Hate Crime and will identify trends in relation to transgender hate crime.

Draft - this will be updated with the priorities of the Community Safety Partnership Plan .

**Marriage and civil
partnership**

No impact -

**Pregnancy and
maternity**

No impact -

Positive impact - The Community Safety Survey will be targeted to Ethnic minority group charities to obtain their views on crime in Coventry.

The Community Safety Partnership Plan will also focus on key themes such as :-

Race

- Reduce crime, the fear of crime and ASB
- Minimising the risk of harm to vulnerable people
- Supporting victims
- Protecting communities
- Protecting locations from crime and making public spaces safer.

The Strategic Assessment will provide information on Hate Crime and will identify trends in relation to race hate crime.

Draft - this will be updated with the priorities of the Community Safety Partnership Plan .

Positive impact - The Community Safety Survey will be targeted to religious groups through the local faith forums so as to obtain their views on crime in Coventry.

The Community Safety Partnership Plan will also focus on key themes such as :

Religion and belief

- Reduce crime, the fear of crime and ASB
- Minimising the risk of harm to vulnerable people
- Supporting victims
- Protecting communities
- Protecting locations from crime and making public spaces safer

The Strategic Assessment will provide information on Hate Crime and will identify trends in relation to religious/belief hate crime.

Draft - this will be updated with the priorities of the Community Safety Partnership Plan .

Positive impact - The Community Safety Survey will be targeted to the charities supporting Women so as to obtain their views.

The Community Safety Partnership Plan will also focus on key themes such as :-

Sex

- Reduce crime, the fear of crime and ASB
- Minimising the risk of harm to vulnerable people
- Supporting victims
- Protecting communities
- Protecting locations from crime and making public spaces safer.

The Strategic Assessment will provide information on Hate Crime and will identify trends in relation to gender hate crime.

Draft - this will be updated with the priorities of the Community Safety Partnership Plan .

Positive impact - The Community Safety Survey will be targeted to LBGQTQIA+ group charities to obtain their views on crime in Coventry.

The Community Safety Partnership Plan will also focus on key themes such as :

Sexual orientation

- Reduce crime, the fear of crime and ASB
- Minimising the risk of harm to vulnerable people
- Supporting victims
- Protecting communities
- Protecting locations from crime and making public spaces safer

The Strategic Assessment will provide information on Hate Crime and will identify trends in relation to transgender hate crime.

Draft - this will be updated with the priorities of the Community Safety Partnership Plan .

Health inequalities (HI)

How HI will be reduced	The will be updated following the analysis of the Strategic Assessment
Evidence showing how HI will be reduced	The will be updated following the analysis of the Strategic Assessment
Groups of people who face HI	The will be updated following the analysis of the Strategic Assessment
How to improve HI for groups identified	The will be updated following the analysis of the Strategic Assessment

Digital inequalities (DI)

Impact to DI	A specific communication and engagement plan has been development for the Community Safety Survey. This included online surveys, physical workshops and community through community groups.
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Opportunities to reduce DI

A specific communication and engagement plan has been development for the Community Safety Survey. This included online surveys, physical workshops and community through community groups.

Next steps

Inequality

Action

Owner

Timescale

Monitor and evaluation

The results of the Consultation, together with the crime data from the Strategic Assessment will be reviewed by the sub-groups in the Police and Crime Board. This will be co-ordinated through themed workshops on:

- Public Place safety and Reassurance
- Vulnerable Persons and Victims
- Reducing Reoffending and Harm
- Exploitation and Youth Violence

During the workshops the subgroups will identify the priorities and will identify actions to achieve the priorities. These actions will be identified in the Community Safety Partnership Plan together with deadlines and key performance indicators and ownership of each action.

The results of the consultation, together with the final plan will be brought to Cabinet in December 2024. The final plan will be monitored by the Police Crime Board on a quarterly basis.

Impact on Council staff

Will there be an impact?

No

**Potential equality
impact**

Positive impact has been identified for one or more protected groups

draft

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Agenda Item 6

SCRUCO Work Programme 2024-25

Last updated 17th June 2024

Please see page 2 onwards for background to items

10th June 2024
LGA Peer Review Findings Draft Scrutiny Annual Report 2023-24
26th June 2024
Serious Violence Duty Proposed Consultation for the Community Safety Partnership Plan 2024-2027
21st August 24
City Centre PSPO Monitoring City-wide PSPO Consultation Climate Change Strategy (Cabinet Report)
18th September 24
Domestic Abuse WMCA Corporate Update Coventry Cultural Strategy – progress report. Including major Cultural Events
23rd October 2024
Coventry City Council Transformation Programme
20th November 2024 18th December 2024
Community Safety Plan 2024-27 WMCA Annual Scrutiny Report
29th January 2025
Peer Review Progress Update
5th March 2025 9th April 2025
WMCA Activity – Coventry City Council Area
2024-25
Health Inequalities and Marmot Adaption and Resilience Plan Cost of Living and Poverty Recruitment and Retention Planning Performance Fly-tipping Prosecutions (Cabinet Report) Strategic Energy Partnership Projects The Local Plan External Partnerships Offender Management Shareholders Reports Spon End Regeneration

Date	Title	Detail	Cabinet Member/ Lead Officer
10th June 2024	LGA Peer Review Findings	Following a visit by a peer review team in January 2024 Scrucoco will consider the recommendations and actions	Vanessa Millar / Michelle McGinty Cllr Duggins
	Draft Scrutiny Annual Report 2023-24	To consider the draft report before it is presented to Council	
26th June 2024	Serious Violence Duty	At their meeting in November 2023 the Committee requested a 6-month progress update, including the measurables identified by the Police and Crime Board to measure success. Check whether guidance has been sent to schools. Including the inspection report on tackling the risk of serious youth violence and criminal exploitation	Cllr AS Khan Allison Duggal Caroline Ryder Neil Macdonald WMP
	Proposed Consultation for the Community Safety Partnership Plan 2024-2027	To consider the consultation plan for the Community Safety Partnership Plan 2024-27	Joy Adams Cllr AS Khan
21st August 24	City Centre PSPO Monitoring	As requested, Scrucoco will consider progress on implementation of the new PSPO agreed at Cabinet 13 th June 2023	Liam Nagle Cllr AS Khan
	City-wide PSPO Consultation	Summary of findings from the Public Consultation and opportunity for members to be part of the consultation process which will form part of the final report to Cabinet.	Joy Adams Cllr AS Khan
	Climate Change Strategy (Cabinet Report)		
18th September 24	Domestic Abuse	A regular update item on the progress of delivery on the Domestic Violence and Abuse Strategy	Jayne Ross Cllr AS Khan Cllr P Akhtar
	WMCA Corporate Update		James Hughes

SCRUCO Work Programme 2024-25

Date	Title	Detail	Cabinet Member/ Lead Officer
	Coventry Cultural Strategy – progress report. Including major Cultural Events	Following their meeting on the 20 th December 2023, the committee requested a further update on progress in delivering the Cultural Works model, including communication with Members.	David Nuttall Cllr Welsh
23rd October 2024	Coventry City Council Transformation Programme	To review the impact of the CCC Transformation Programme and funding associated with it.	Cllr Duggins Kirston Nelson
20th November 2024			
18th December 2024	Community Safety Plan 2024-27	Results of consultation and approval of a three year community safety partnership plan	Joy Adams Cllr AS Khan
	WMCA Annual Scrutiny Report		James Hughes
29th January 2025	Peer Review Progress Update	12-month progress review report	
5th March 2025			
9th April 2025	WMCA Activity – Coventry City Council Area		James Hughes
2024-25			
	Health Inequalities and Marmot	To look at what the Council is doing to address health inequalities and to monitor progress OCP Indicators for Male/Female Life expectancy	Allison Duggal Cllr Caan

Date	Title	Detail	Cabinet Member/ Lead Officer
	Adaption and Resilience Plan	To consider what the Council is doing to protect the city from the impact of climate change, including partners involved in the delivery and represented on the Climate Change Board	Cllr O'Boyle Colin Knight Rhian Palmer Bret Willers
	Cost of Living and Poverty	To update on support offered to low -income families as well as the OCP indicator of % of children living in relatively low-income families.	Kirston Nelson Cllr Duggins
	Recruitment and Retention	Diversity within recruitment and retention (SB1)	
	Planning Performance	Development Management function - overall performance against Government targets. Annual monitoring report (AMR).	Cllr Welsh, Rob Back
	Fly-tipping Prosecutions (Cabinet Report)	To consider increasing the maximum fine that can be issued for fly-tipping	Cllr AS Khan Sarah Elliot
	Strategic Energy Partnership Projects	Further from 11 th of March SB meeting to refer future Cabinet Reports for projects that reach Gateway 4 (Detailed Business Case) to the relevant Scrutiny Board. And regular updates from the SEP (a) Data on the criteria and priority of retrofitting homes (b) Data on EPC ratings (including privately owned properties) (c) Possibility of installation of charging points for mobility scooters (d) Possibility of generating energy from Coventry's rivers. (e) How value for money is ensured at each stage of the process (f) Income generation from EV charging (noted that this would be considered by Scrutiny Board 3) (g) Future investment from Severn Trent in water quality	Cllr O'Boyle Rhian Palmer
	The Local Plan		

Date	Title	Detail	Cabinet Member/ Lead Officer
	External Partnerships		
	Offender Management	Following an item on Local Policing Update at their meeting 21 st February 24 the committee agreed to consider a further item on Offender Management	
	Shareholders Reports	The Board asks that future reports are shared after the audited accounts are published.	Andrew Walster Cllr G Duggins
	Spon End Regeneration		

Work Programme Decision Flow Chart

