



Coventry Local Police, Crime & Community Safety Plan 2014 / 15

I am pleased to share with you the Coventry Local Police, Crime & Community Safety Plan for 2014/15. This plan was produced following a diverse consultation process involving the communities of Coventry. An online survey, direct consultation with key groups and stakeholders shaped the priorities, and the findings were enhanced by responses to the Household Survey, police data linked to confidence and satisfaction, 12 months of feedback from the 14 multi-agency Safer Neighbourhood Groups that operate across the city and finally 12 months of data/issues identified through street based personnel reports. The findings were then put out for further scrutiny through key reference groups and individuals, before being presented to and approved by the Board.

Furthermore our Coventry Plan has been strengthened by using evidence from our annual strategic assessment of threat and risk to the City, which confirms the issues that are being reported to various agencies by residents of Coventry and is affecting the safety of the City.

2013/14 has been a very challenging and at the same time rewarding year for the city and the region. Mosque bombings, austerity cuts and a national focus on safeguarding tested the resolve of this city and its citizens. 2013/14 was also a year of celebration for the city. The introduction of a new Police & Crime Commissioner has embedded genuine community representation into how services around crime and community safety are delivered to the city. Coventry University became the Modern University of the Year 2013 and we hosted the most successful Godiva Festival yet, hosting more than 125,000 attendees to the biggest free music event in Europe.

2014/15 promises to be an equally challenging and rewarding twelve months.

We asked, you said...

As well as looking at a variety of data and intelligence, we have asked you, the community, to tell us what matters to you most. You have identified the following issues and we will focus our efforts, working in partnership, to tackle these things that cause you concern.

Reduce Total Offending

Tackle Environmental Crime & Nuisance
[Inc. fly-tipping, litter and dog fouling]

Reduce Anti-social Behaviour

Tackle Sex working through Prostitution & Brothels

Put Our Victims First

Tackle the unlawful supply of Drugs

Reduce Violent Crime
[Inc. Public Place Violence, Robbery, Domestic Abuse, the Nigh-time Economy and Sexual Exploitation]

Reduce Business Crime

Reduce Burglary

Tackle alcohol-related crime and behaviour

Take Gangs and Organised Crime

Local Policing, Crime & Community Safety Plan - Strategic Aims

Agencies working with the community to focus on supporting vulnerable **people and victims**, improving **places** disproportionately affected by crime and nuisance whilst tackling **offenders**, we will:

Improve public confidence & satisfaction in policing

Understand and manage our priority offenders

- Coventry one of 10 pilot sites trialing new 'Diversion and Education' programme through NHS England
- Focus on disrupting organized crime activity and working with individuals to turn away from the gang lifestyle.
- Address problematic and chaotic lifestyle and criminal behaviour

Place our victims at the forefront of activity

- 2014 has seen the introduction of Restorative Justice, and we will ensure victims receive a greater voice in the rehabilitation of the offender
- Protect and minimize risk of harm to those most vulnerable and prevent people becoming a victim of crime

Improve the service the public receive from the police and partner agencies

- Deliver a service that increases local people's trust and confidence in the police, and that exceeds their expectations. Improve response to victims & encourage reporting of offences.

Reduce violent crime

- Reduce the level of violent crime within the city with particular focus on protecting vulnerable victims

Tackle the causes of risky and offending behaviour including criminality

- Alcohol, drugs and poor mental health play a part in offending and anti-social behaviour. We will focus upon tackling dependency and improving access to support

How will we deliver the plan?

Keep our promises

We will

- Respond when we say we will
- Keep people informed and updated
- Make good on the commitments we provide
- Meet the requirements of the **Victim's Code**

Do the right things

We will

- Agencies will work together in partnership alongside communities to collectively address community safety issues.
- Protect and support vulnerable victims/groups
- Aim to put the right resources, in the right places at the right times
- Be open, honest and transparent.
- Ensure the safety and wellbeing of those who most need our help.

Involve our communities

We will

- Listen to the views of our local communities
- Provide a variety of means to allow the community to talk to us and to tell us the service they wish to receive

Involve our staff

We will

- Listen to the views of our officers working in communities
- Provide them with the training and skills to make it easier for them to deliver the service the local community want

Being Productive and Efficient

We will

- Deal where possible with issues at first point of contact
- Deliver a better service with less resources
- Look for opportunities to provide shared services