

Report to Council

Agenda
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Meeting Date: 16th July 2013
Portfolio: Communities and Housing
Key Decision: Yes: Recorded in the Notice Ref: KD.06/13
Within Policy and Budget Framework YES
Public / Private Public

Title: CARLISLE AND EDEN COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP PLAN
Report of: The Director of Community Engagement
Report Number: CD 43/13

Purpose / Summary:

The Carlisle and Eden Community Safety Partnership (CSP) have developed their draft Partnership Plan for 2013/14 (attached as Appendix 1 of this report). This plan forms part of the City Councils Policy Framework and refreshes the existing plan. It has been developed by the CSP's Leadership Group with input from the City Council's Lead Officer (Director of Community Engagement) and Portfolio Holder for Communities and Housing.

The purpose of this plan is to present the CSP's work programme for the coming year in the form of their Partnership Plan. While this is presented as a developed document it represents a 'live' work programme - which develops throughout the year and can be influenced and shaped through the City Council's representation on the CSP's Leadership Group.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that Full Council approve and adopt the Carlisle and Eden Community Safety Partnership Plan for 2013/14.

Tracking

Executive:	31st May 2013
Overview and Scrutiny:	28th March 2013
Council:	16th July 2013

BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The Crime & Disorder Act 1998 placed statutory obligations on local authorities and the police to act in co-operation with the probation service, health authorities and other relevant agencies, and to work together to develop and implement a partnership plan for tackling crime and disorder in their area.

The legislation requires local Community Safety Partnerships to produce a plan setting out how it intends to tackle crime and disorder and allowing the development of strategies to tackle short, medium and long-term priorities. This also allows alignment to other planning cycles, most notably partners' individual corporate planning and Carlisle's Community Plan.

The attached plan outlines these priorities for 2013-14 and is supported by a series of actions plans being developed and delivered by the task groups of the CSP.

2. PROPOSALS

- 2.1 It is proposed that Full Council approve and adopt the Carlisle and Eden Community Safety Partnership Plan for 2013/14.

3. CONSULTATION

- 3.1 The Partnership Plan is a public document and has been made available for consultation and comment by the City Council's partners. It was considered by Executive on 8 April 2013 and 31 May 2013. Views and comments received from Community Overview and Scrutiny panel (on 28 March 2013) are recognised in the document.

4. CONCLUSION AND REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 4.1 It is recommended that Full Council approve and adopt the Carlisle and Eden Community Safety Partnership Plan for 2013/14.

5. CONTRIBUTION TO THE CARLISLE PLAN PRIORITIES

- 5.1 This report contributes to the Carlisle Plan priority:
We will work more effectively with partners to achieve the City Council's priorities.

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**Appendices Appendix 1 CSP Partnership Plan
attached to report:**

Note: in compliance with section 100d of the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 the report has been prepared in part from the following papers:

- **CD 28/13**

CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS/RISKS:

Chief Executive's -

Community Engagement –

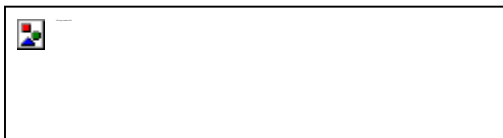
Economic Development –

Governance – The CSP Partnership Plan contributes towards the Council's obligations under the Crime & Disorder Act 1998. The Crime & Disorder Reduction Strategy is reserved to Council as part of the Authority's policy framework (Article 4 of the Constitution). Therefore, following due process of consultation and recommendation by the Executive, the Plan will be referred to Council for consideration.

Local Environment –

Resources - There are no financial implications of adopting the CSP Partnership Plan for 2013/14. The City Council makes no direct financial contribution to the partnership and therefore any additional support required will need to be met from existing base budgets.

Carlisle and Eden CSP Partnership Plan 2013- 2014



Vision

By working in partnership, North Cumbria communities will remain safe and reassured

Key Priorities 2013

A strategic assessment has been completed and highlighted the following priorities

- **Anti-social behaviour**
- **Violent Crime**
- **Reduce harm caused by drugs**
- **Impact of Alcohol Misuse**
- **Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence**
- **Reduce Re-offending**

Tackling the Priorities

Anti-Social Behaviour

- Maintain low levels of anti-social behaviour
- Improving the partnership approach to co-ordinating activities for young people
- Joining up the partnership approach for environmental aspects

Violent Crime

- Work with partners to reduce violent crime and assaults

Reduce harm caused by drugs

- Reducing harm to young people
- To support the Countywide Drug Strategy

Impact of alcohol misuse

- Continue to deliver Cumbria Alcohol Strategy through dedicated task & finish groups

Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence

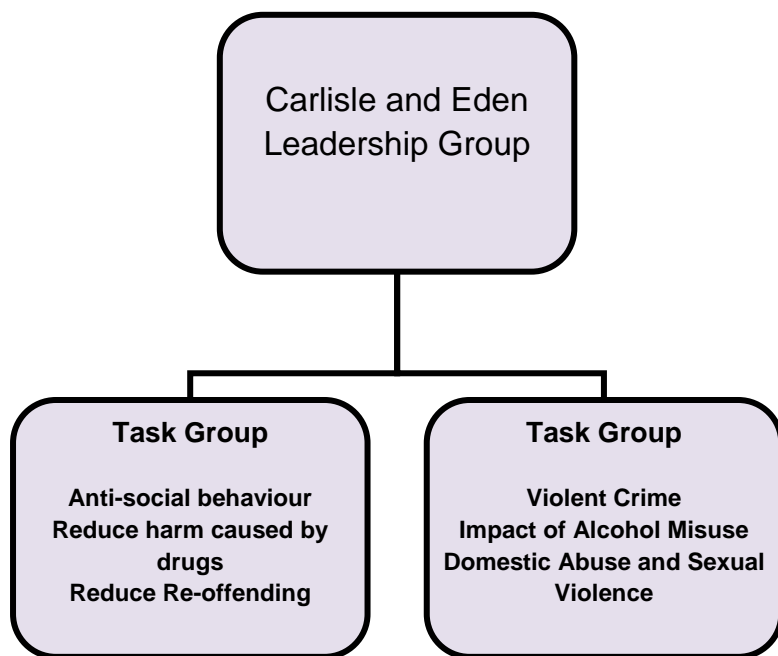
- Further develop & expand the Domestic Violence champions network
- Maintain monthly Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conferences (MARAC)
- Improve the management of repeat missing vulnerable young people to reduce exploitation
- Development of preventative work with young people, targeting potential perpetrators and victims

Reduce Re-offending

- Continue the Integrated Offender Management programme using a wide range of partners to manage problem individuals effectively in communities
- Monitor effectiveness of North Cumbria IOM scheme using revised performance indicators
- Encourage the use of restorative justice through provision of training to a range of public, private and voluntary sector agencies

Carlisle and Eden CSP Partnership Plan 2013- 2014

Our Partnership Approach



Statistics 2012/ 2013

- 1100** Fewer victims of crime
- 21%** Reduction in ASB
- 4%** Reduction in Crime
- 9%** Reduction in Criminal Damage
- 25%** Reduction in Deliberate Fires

Carlisle and Eden Community Safety Partnership has and continues to be a successful partnership of multi agencies working together to address crime and disorder in North Cumbria. Since its inception, we have worked effectively to contribute to significant and sustained falls in crime and disorder. This plan sets out how, in partnership, we will address the priorities identified to ensure North Cumbria remains a safe place to live, work and study.

The partnership continues to have strong strategic leadership and dedicated and knowledgeable people in our task groups who are committed, prepared and focussed on the priorities for the year ahead. The Police and Crime Commissioner, who came into post in November 2012, is keen the existing partnership continues the good work already been delivered and has advised funding will continue for the coming year 2013/14.

Mary Robinson, CSP Chair

Successes

ASB and Criminal Damage

Operation Roman Candle

Comparisons of ASB fires throughout the operation period show a continually reduction in nuisance fires over the last 5 years. From 90 reports in 2007 to 8 in 2012.

Summer Splash

Over 1400 people attended the 6 events. ASB reduced in West Carlisle by 112 incidents (55% reduction) and only 10 reports of criminal damage (down by 77%).

Appleby Fair

The co-ordinated approach by partners to Appleby Fair has made it a far safer and more community oriented event. The Carlisle and Eden CSP has recently supported the introduction of a new website to improve communication across the event.

Successes

Violent Crime

Best Bar None Scheme

The scheme has been instrumental in raising standards in bars, pubs and clubs in North Cumbria and has contributed to significant reductions in violent crime.

Taxi Rank Marshals

Deployment of marshals at public ranks helps prevent escalation of serious disorder by early intervention which is reassuring to taxi operators and the public.

Domestic Violence Champions

The network has been developed to support victims and raise awareness/knowledge of domestic and sexual violence with partner agencies.

**EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE
COMMUNITY OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL
HELD ON 28 MARCH 2013**

COSP.30/13 CDRP PARTNERSHIP PLAN

The Director of Community Engagement submitted the Carlisle and Eden Community Safety Partnership (CSP) draft Partnership Plan for 2013/14 (CD.20/13).

The Director of Community Engagement reminded the Panel of the Council's statutory obligations and reported that the draft Plan formed part of the City Councils Policy Framework and refreshed the existing Plan. The Plan had been developed by the CSP's Leadership Group with input from the City Council's Lead Officer and Portfolio Holder.

He added that the report presented the CSP's work programme for the coming year in the form of their Partnership Plan. The document represented a live work programme which developed throughout the year and could be influenced and shaped through the City Council's representation on the CSP's Leadership Group.

A Member commented that the CDRP had lost considerable funding as well as one full time equivalent post. How much funding did the CDRP receive and how was it used?

The Director of Community Engagement agreed that the funding had been reduced and informed the Panel that CDRP received £31,000. He agreed to give a more detailed response in writing on how the funding was used.

The Communities and Housing Portfolio Holder highlighted the additional emphasis that had been placed on the 'Reduce harm caused by drugs' and 'Impact of Alcohol Misuse' key priorities. She also highlighted that Sexual Violence had been added to the Key Priorities.

RESOLVED – That the Carlisle and Eden CSP Partnership Plan 2013-14 Refresh be welcomed.

**EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE
EXECUTIVE
HELD ON 8 APRIL 2013**

EX.35/13 CSP PARTNERSHIP PLAN
(Key Decision)

(With the consent of the Chairman, and in accordance with Rule 15 of the Access to Information Procedure Rules; and Regulation 10 of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 this item was included on the Agenda as a Key Decision, although not in the Notice of Executive Key Decisions)

Portfolio Communities and Housing

Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Panel Community

Subject Matter

The Communities and Housing Portfolio Holder reported (CD.28/13) that the Carlisle and Eden Community Safety Partnership (CSP) (formerly the CDRP) had developed their draft Partnership Plan for 2013/14, a copy of which was attached at Appendix 1 to the report.

The Plan, which formed part of the City Council's Policy Framework and refreshed the existing Plan had been developed by the CSP's Leadership Group, with input from the Director of Community Engagement and herself.

Referring to the Key Priorities 2013, the Communities and Housing Portfolio Holder advised that greater emphasis had been placed on reducing the harm caused by drugs, in addition to which sexual violence had been added to the domestic abuse priority.

Whilst the Partnership Plan was presented as a developed document, it represented a 'live' work programme which would develop throughout the year and could be influenced and shaped via the City Council's representation on the CSP's Leadership Group.

In conclusion, the Communities and Housing Portfolio Holder moved that the Executive consider and note the report, prior to recommending it for wider consultation.

The Leader seconded the recommendation.

Summary of options rejected None

DECISION

That the Executive had considered and noted the content of Report CD.28/13; and recommended the CSP Partnership Plan for wider consultation.

Reasons for Decision

To enable the report to be considered and recommended for wider consultation

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE HELD ON 31 MAY 2013

EX.53/13 **CSP PARTNERSHIP PLAN**
(Key Decision – KD.06/13)

Portfolio Communities and Housing

Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Panel Community

Subject Matter

Pursuant to Minute EX.35/13, the Communities and Housing Portfolio Holder reported (CD.32/13) that the Carlisle and Eden Community Safety Partnership (CSP) (formerly the CDRP) had developed their draft Partnership Plan for 2013/14, a copy of which was attached at Appendix 1 to the report.

The Plan, which formed part of the City Council's Policy Framework and refreshed the existing Plan had been developed by the CSP's Leadership Group, with input from the Director of Community Engagement and herself.

The Communities and Housing Portfolio Holder indicated that the purpose of the report was to present the CSP's work programme for the coming year in the form of their Partnership Plan. Whilst it was presented as a developed document it represented a 'live' work programme – which would develop throughout the year and could be influenced and shaped through the City Council's representation on the CSP's Leadership Group.

The Community Overview and Scrutiny Panel had, on 28 March 2013, considered the matter and resolved that the Carlisle and Eden CSP Partnership Plan 2013-14 Refresh be welcomed.

A copy of Minute Excerpt COSP.30/13 had been circulated.

The Chairman of the Community Overview and Scrutiny Panel was in attendance at the meeting. She outlined the key points of discussion, together with the key priorities for 2013, commenting that there had been a continuing decrease in the incidence of crime. The Panel had in the past looked at the Strategic Assessment with a view to evaluating the previous year, but that had not come before them this time.

The report showed a lowering of crime figures which was good, and demonstrated the outcomes of successful partnership working.

On the issue of domestic abuse, the Chairman advised that a Domestic Champions Network had been established approximately three years ago. She was pleased to see that more victims were now coming forward.

With regard to substance abuse, the Panel was pleased to see that issues continued to be addressed by the two Partnership Task Groups.

In summary, the Chairman confirmed that the Panel had welcomed the report.

In conclusion, the Communities and Housing Portfolio Holder moved that the Executive approve the Partnership Plan and recommend it for consideration and adoption by Council.

The Deputy Leader and Economy and Enterprise Portfolio Holder seconded the recommendation.

Summary of options rejected None

DECISION

That the Executive approved the CSP Partnership Plan and recommended it for approval and adoption by Council.

Reasons for Decision

The Report contributed to the Carlisle Plan priority: We will work more effectively with partners to achieve the City Council's priorities