

Community Safety Delivery Plan Outline 2021 – 2022

Introduction

The Crime and Disorder Act 1998 places obligations on the Community Safety Partnership to produce a Community Safety Plan to outline how all partners intend to work together to impact upon crime and disorder, substance misuse and reduce reoffending in the local area. The Crime and Disorder Act 1998 changed the way crime and anti-social behaviour was to be tackled, as it is recognised that in order to be effective, agencies needed to work together to address the issues collectively.

Community Safety Partnership (CSP) in Lichfield District

Lichfield District CSP has a core group of members that includes representatives from the following organisations:

Lichfield District Council
Staffordshire Police
Staffordshire Fire and Rescue Service
Staffordshire Probation Service
Staffordshire County Council
Bromford Housing Group
Support Staffordshire
Pathway
Humankind

Impact of Covid 19

The delivery plan for 2020 – 21 was produced prior to the Covid 19 pandemic. The impact of the pandemic has changed the outlook for the delivery of public services and realigned many priorities. This plan will need to be flexible as recovery from the pandemic commences and new issues emerge. In addition each priority identified below will have to be cognisant of the changes to perception and demand as we emerge from Covid restrictions.

Lichfield Community Safety Strategic Assessment 2020 (Appendix One)

On behalf of the CSP the Strategy Team at Staffordshire County Council create an annual strategic assessment, with the following description:

“This Community Safety Strategic Assessment provides evidence and intelligence to inform the strategic decision-making process - helping commissioners and partners to determine the priorities that require particular attention in their local area.”

This assessment, helps the formulation of the priorities for Lichfield District CSP and helps drive the delivery plan.

Lichfield CSP Priorities 2021 – 2022

The Strategic Assessment has highlighted the following priorities for Lichfield:

Anti-social Behaviour (ASB)

Domestic Abuse

Car Key Burglary and Car Theft

County Lines

Fraud

Vulnerable Persons – Alcohol; Mental Health; Contextual Safeguarding – Complex Cases

City Centre

Chasetown

There is also a development needed in the assessment of data.

In addition the Office of the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner (OPFCC) for Staffordshire has identified approaches to tackling Community Safety challenges as follows (P.7):

Early Intervention and Prevention

Supporting Victims and Witness

Managing Offenders -

Public Confidence

These principles have been incorporated into the responses to the priorities identified above and run through the proposed responses to each plan. In order to make this more effective they have been recast slightly.

Action Plan

The action plan is still in development and needs to be completed, agreed and published by 1st May 2021. The template set out below and the examples given are indicative of the kind of structure proposed for the plan in 2021/22. The Actions and responses are yet to be developed and agreed by partners. They will though build upon existing provision and gaps will be, where possible, be filled through services commissioned through Locality Delivery Funding.

It is acknowledged that at this stage there is, in some areas a lack of consistent data to enable an effective assessment of some of the proposed actions. In itself the development of a better base line data set for the partnership will be an aspiration for 2021/22. An example of this is that we currently only have data provided by the police as to the number of reports of ASB received by them. We know though that some of our local registered social landlords receive and manage a significant number of ASB cases that may never be reported to the police.

It is not anticipated that all services provided by all agencies will be captured in the action plan but that this will be a high level plan setting out the key actions which may be delivered by a number of different agencies.

Anti-social Behaviour (example)		
Early Intervention Prevention	Actions	Outcomes
	Develop or commission diversionary sporting activity in the community aimed at providing positive alternative activities for young people	Reduction in ASB incidents reported in 'hotspot areas'
	Triaging of ASB reports to key agencies to prevent duplicated responses and ensuring the most appropriate supporting agency offers support at the earliest opportunity	Quicker more effective responses at an early stage
Managing Perpetrators	Actions	Outcomes
	Taking swift positive action to tackle those causing anti-social behaviour to 'stop the harm' and prevent a recurrence	Reduction in repeat incidences of ASB and repeat victimisation
Supporting Victims & Witnesses	Actions	Outcomes

	Working closely to offer support to people suffering from ASB to ensure that they are better able to deal with the issues they are facing	Better satisfaction with the ASB response
Public Confidence	Actions	Outcomes
	Develop regular communications and messaging to the people of Lichfield District to encourage them to manage instances of ASB more effectively and seek support from the CSP as required.	A community more capable of responding to and managing ASB

Domestic Abuse (example)		
Early Intervention Prevention	Actions	Outcomes
	Ensure all reports of domestic abuse that are responded to by Staffordshire police are effectively risk assessed at source and appropriate support offered	Fewer medium and high risk cases and incidents being reported
Managing Perpetrators	Actions	Outcomes
	Repeat perpetrators of domestic abuse to be identified and be offered support to change behaviour	Reduction in repeated domestic abuse by the same perpetrator
Supporting Victims & Witnesses	Actions	Outcomes
	Commissioned and voluntary services to be engaged appropriately around all survivors of domestic abuse	Increased numbers of survivors of domestic abuse engaging with support agencies and increasing their resilience and awareness as to how they can get help
Public Confidence	Actions	Outcomes
	Publicity and awareness raising around key events and times of the year, e.g. Euro 21, Christmas	Increased levels of awareness and confidence that if domestic abuse occurs there is support readily available.

