



To: Cllr. Tim Bick, Executive Councillor for Strategy  
Report by: Liz Bisset, Director of Customer and Community Services  
Relevant scrutiny committee: Strategy and Resources Scrutiny Committee  
Wards affected: All Wards

## Cambridge Community Safety Partnership Plan Update 2013/14

### Not a Key Decision

#### 1. Executive summary

- 1.1 In order to keep the Cambridge Community Safety Plan current it is updated on an annual basis following production of a Strategic Assessment. The updated draft plan for 2013/14 is attached as Appendix A. The full [Strategic Assessment 2012](#) can be viewed on the Council website.
- 1.2 The recommendations within the Strategic Assessment were discussed at the Community Safety Partnership annual development day in July and at their meeting in September 2012. The recommendations were considered within the context of the roles of individual partners, taking account of the additional value that each organisation could contribute to the potential priorities. The new Community Safety Priorities for 2013/14 are set out in section 3.1 of this report.
- 1.3 The Executive Councillor is asked to consider the plan and endorse the chosen priorities. Any comments made or amendments requested by the Scrutiny Committee will be included in a new draft and discussed by the Community Safety Partnership Board at their meeting of 5th February before a final plan is produced and published on 31 March 2013.

#### 2. Recommendations

The Executive Councillor is recommended to:

- 2.1 Endorse the proposed priorities and amendments to the Community Safety Plan agreed by the Community Safety Partnership and set out in section 3.1.

### 3. Background

- 3.1 Cambridge Community Safety Partnership developed a new Plan in April 2011. That plan has been updated for 2013/14 following a Strategic Assessment by the County Research Team. The Partnership Board considered the recommendations in the Strategic Assessment and following discussion at their development day in July and the public meeting in September agreed the following priorities 2013/14:
- Alcohol related violent crime
  - Anti-social behaviour
  - Responding to emerging trends of victim based acquisitive crime

The amendments to the current priorities are:

#### *Reducing alcohol related violent crime*

The Strategic Assessment outlines that much of the violent crime occurs in the centre of the city and is related to the night time economy. Both residents and the large 'transient community' in Cambridge such as students, tourists and visitors can be equally affected by this crime. Therefore The Partnership has agreed to retain this priority.

#### *Reducing anti-social behaviour (ASB)*

The Strategic Assessment identified anti-social behaviour as being of continuing importance to the public. The street life community were identified as a group that cause a significant amount of anti-social behaviour and who feature as both offenders and victims, due their vulnerabilities. This has prompted the Partnership to place an emphasis on anti-social behaviour linked to alcohol, drug abuse and mental ill-health.

#### *Responding to emerging trends of victim based acquisitive crime*

The Strategic Assessment outlines a number of victim based crime types, such as theft from person, theft of pedal cycle and personal robbery where seasonality and issues unique to Cambridge can have an impact. In recognition of the impact that these crimes can have on the victim and the need to respond dynamically to address and manage these crimes. The Partnership has adopted this priority.

#### *Reducing repeat victims of domestic violence*

#### *Reducing re-offending*

The Partnership considered the vast amount of work being carried out in these areas at a County level and agreed to track and support that work at a local level.

## 7. Implications

- 7.1 Financial** – It is not yet clear what Partnership funding will be available for 2013/14 if any. However, a spend plan for projects to support the priorities is being developed and will be presented to the Police and Crime Commissioner for consideration.
- 7.2 Staff** – Posts dependent on Community Safety funding may be affected.
- 7.3 Equal Opportunities** – An EQIA was carried out on the original Community Safety Plan 2011/2014 and this will be revisited as part of the development of this update.
- 7.4 Procurement** – None
- 7.5 Environmental** - None
- 7.6 Consultation and Communication** – All partner members in the Cambridge Community Safety Partnership were consulted on the priorities and the format for the Plan. The process leading to the production of the Strategic Assessment included consultation with stakeholders and inclusion of community safety issues raised at Area Committees.
- 7.7 Community Safety** – as per the report. This is fulfilling a statutory duty for the City Council.

## 8. Background papers

These background papers were used in the preparation of this report:  
[Cambridge Community Safety Plan 2011/14 \(update 2012/13\)](#)  
[Cambridge Strategic Assessment 2012](#)

## 9. Inspection of papers

To inspect the background papers or if you have a query on the report please contact:

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