

Report for: Environment and Community Safety Scrutiny Panel, June 2019

Title: Community Safety Strategy

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Ward(s) affected: All

**Report for Key/
Non Key Decision: Non Key Decision**

1. Describe the issue under consideration

This report provides an introduction to the draft Community Safety Strategy 2019-23.

The Community Safety Strategy presents the Community Safety Partnership's approach and priorities to achieving a reduction in crime and anti-social behaviour in Haringey up to 2023.

The Community Safety Strategy is constitutionally required to be considered by a number of bodies, including Cabinet and the Overview and Scrutiny Panel, before it can be adopted by Full Council.

2. Recommendations

That the Panel:

1. Note the contents of the report
2. Approve the Community Safety Strategy for submission to Cabinet

3. Background information

Community Safety Partnerships are required under the Crime and Disorder Act to put in place an annual strategic assessment and strategy. As a partnership document listed in the Constitution, the Community Safety Strategy is reserved for final decision by full Council subject to prior approval by Cabinet.

The Community Safety Strategy 2013-17 was extended to 2019 to allow alignment with the Borough Plan 2019-23. The Community Safety Strategy 2019-23 aligns fully with the Borough Plan, and like the Borough Plan it is a partnership plan that reflects the outcomes that partners and communities across Haringey wish to achieve.

This Community Safety Strategy represents a significant commitment by partners including the Council, Police, Fire, Probation and Health authorities as

well as local voluntary groups to working together to improve the lives of Haringey residents.

The strategy is supported by a comprehensive strategic assessment that draws on data from across the partnership to identify trends, patterns, and drivers relating to crime and anti-social behaviour.

The strategy is informed by extensive consultation and engagement with partners across the system, with community groups, and with Haringey residents and businesses. The outcomes that the Community Safety Partnership seeks to achieve through the strategy are a reflection both of the data and what we have heard through this engagement activity.

The Community Safety Partnership has a clear vision: to make Haringey one of the safest boroughs in London. We want Haringey to be a safe borough for everyone who lives and works here and to remain a safe and pleasant environment for all. The Community Safety Strategy provides the partnership with an opportunity to set out how it will achieve that vision by ensuring that:

- Levels of crime and antisocial behaviour are reduced
- Children, young people, families, vulnerable adults, and residents feel safe in their homes and in public spaces
- Those committing crime do not continue to reoffend
- The public has confidence in all members of the Community Safety Partnership, particularly the Police and local authority.

The Community Safety Strategy aims to improve the quality of life in the borough by focussing partnership action on six outcome areas:

1. Violence and high harm crimes
2. Violence against women and girls
3. Exploitation (including child sexual exploitation, child criminal exploitation, County Lines, trafficking, extremism, and modern slavery)
4. Public confidence
5. Victims of crime and anti-social behaviour
6. Reoffending

It is notable that there is considerable overlap between the six outcome areas due to the complex nature of the issues and the types of crime that this strategy is seeking to address.

An Action Plan, attached at Appendix 2, sets out the specific actions that community safety partners will take forward in order to address the issues identified in the strategy corresponding to the six outcome areas.

4. Contribution to strategic outcomes

The Community Safety Strategy 2019-23 represents a significant contribution to the collective effort across Haringey to achieve the visions of the People and Place priorities in the Borough Plan 2019-23:

- Place – Stronger, connected communities where together we improve our environment by making it safer, cleaner and greener.

- People – A Haringey where strong families, strong networks and strong communities nurture all residents to live well and achieve their potential.

The Community Safety Strategy aligns with and supports the delivery of the Young People at Risk Strategy and the Violence against Women and Girls Strategy, which have been separately approved by Cabinet.

5. Statutory Officers comments (Chief Finance Officer (including procurement), Assistant Director of Corporate Governance, Equalities)

Finance

N/A

Procurement

N/A

Legal

N/A

Equality

N/A

6. Use of Appendices

Appendix 1: Haringey Community Safety Strategy 2019-23

Appendix 2: Haringey Community Safety Action Plan 2019-23

7. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985