

Community Safety and Hate Crime Strategy

Update to Scrutiny

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Evaluation from public consultation

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Recap and Overview:

Community Safety Strategy:

The Community Safety strategy will shape the work of the Haringey Community Safety Partnership. The strategy sets out the partnership's approach and priorities to improving the safety of our residents, business and visitors to support a reduction in crime and anti-social behaviour in the borough.

Hate Crime Strategy:

The Hate Crime strategy outlines the ways the council responds to and works to prevent hate crime affecting our diverse communities.



Key Priorities:

- Community Safety:

1. Violence and high harms
2. Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG)
3. Exploitation
4. Increase in trust and confidence
5. Reducing reoffending
6. Reducing victims of crime and ASB

- Hate Crime:

1. Raising awareness
2. Improve support for victims and witnesses of hate crime
3. To increase the reporting of hate incidents
4. Consulting with residents to understand the nature of hate crime and route causes
5. Take a multi-agency approach working alongside the police, CCTV and Anti-social Behaviour team



Doing things differently...

- Co-production was at the very core of our engagement– it wasn't about mere quantity of respondents or utilising tick boxes.
- We sought out personal experiences to collect rich, informative data allowing us to identify and tailor the right services and support based on genuine needs.
- To date, we have listened to and valued the voices of over 900 individuals, and their stories continue to shape our approach.

Engagement Phase: Report Headlines

- 12-week public engagement and consultation, 30th May – 22nd August 2023.
- The consultation elicited a total of 1,045 responses over the 12-week period.
- We used a multifaceted approach, blending digital and face-to-face interactions.
- Out of the 1,045 responses received, 216 were collected through an online survey, the remaining 829 responses were the result of 47 in-person engagements conducted through a diverse array of methods.
- The consultation survey consisted of a range of questions which included quantitative short answer, multiple choice, yes/no questions, and qualitative questions that allowed for free text to express personal thoughts, opinions and lived experience.
- The survey was divided into two parts, part A concerning Community Safety and part B related to Hate Crime. Part A was subdivided into six parts corresponding to the 6 key priorities of the community safety strategy. Part B which addressed hate crime was subdivided into five parts, which again, reflected the five objectives for tackling hate crime.

Engagement broken down

47 PUBLIC ENGAGEMENTS

Standalone workshops – 13
Community stall -12
Library drop in's – 8
Agenda item at a strategic meeting or community forum/network – 12
Training session – 1
Engagement with police – 200 leaflets.

AUDIENCES – 829 INDIVIDUALS

General public
Young people
Women
Older people
Physical Disability
Learning Disability
Multi Faith
Businesses
Members
LGBTQI+
Haringey staff / schools' staff

In addition, VCS forum including, and BRT were consulted with and encouraged participation in the survey.

RESOURCES

Promotional material
Surveys
Leaflets
Presentation
Incentives
Partner resources

NB. Engagement was very fluid and enhanced as time went on and connections were made.

Cabinet Report Key Evaluation Themes

Through an in-depth analysis of responses to the consultation, we have discerned recurring trends and prevalent narratives. These trends have been organised into six overarching themes, which are as follows:

1. Reporting, Including Barriers to Reporting
2. Trust and Confidence in Police and Council Services
3. Communication and Engagement with Residents
4. Raising Awareness of Crime Types and Definitions
5. Lived experiences
6. Other, Including Ideas on Co-Production and Miscellaneous Comments

Key Questions

- Based on the equality data we have gathered, how do we encourage and embed proactive engagement with seldom heard community – corporately, not just community safety.
- How can we as a council improve our approach to consultation/engagement to ensure accessibility for learning disability and neurodiverse communities..
- How are we going to ensure that we hold the police to account on how they will deliver their New Met for London plan to address the findings of the Casey Review

Next steps

- Cabinet – January 2024 for permission for the strategies to go to Full Council for ratification.
- Further consultation on strategies/Action Plans with key partners and stakeholders. January – February 2024.
- Completion/finalisation of strategies and action plans
- Full Council March 2024

Questions?