**REPORT TO:** Cabinet 28 June 2018

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# Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership (CDRP) draft Action Plan and Police Southern Neighbourhood Team proposals

# **Purpose**

- 1. To present:
  - (a) the Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership (CDRP) Priorities and draft Action Plan for 2018-19 and:
  - (b) the proposals for the Police Southern Neighbourhood Team following the Local Policing Review.
- 2. This is not a key decision, but is presented for information and comment.

#### Recommendations

- 3. It is recommended that Cabinet
  - (a) note and comment on the draft CDRP Action Plan (Appendix A), and
  - (b) note the Police Southern Neighbourhood Team proposals (Appendix B).

## Reasons for Recommendations

4. Members of the CDRP are required by the Partnership's Terms of Reference to report back to their constituent bodies details of the Partnership Action Plan and other issues of significant interest. The priorities were agreed by the CDRP on 23 February 2018, delegating responsibility to its Tasking and Co-ordination Group (T&CG) to develop and agree the action plan. The draft plan was presented for approval at the T&CG on 6 June 2018 and comments from Cabinet are welcome.

# **Background**

- 5. Each year the CDRP produces a partnership Action Plan based on an analysis of crime data and trends information produced by the Cambridgeshire Research Group (County Council). Together with local intelligence from the constituent bodies, this Strategic Assessment is received by the CDRP whose members agree priorities for action for the coming year.
- 6. Activities are undertaken by CDRP members with the aim of adding value through partnership working. Resources for this Plan come from the following sources:
  - (a) The individual organisations of the CDRP Board (their own budgets);
  - (b) The CDRP pooled fund of £33,113.55 (all in reserve, dating from when partners each contributed an annual sum. This practice ended in 2010); and
  - (c) The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC). Resources are allocated based on applications submitted annually. On 16 March 2018 the OPCC announced that he would be reviewing the process for 2018/19, with

applications for continuation of funding only to be submitted at that time. £5,000 has now been allocated for 2018-19 for County Lines theatre production work in schools. For the remainder, applications will be invited following completion of the countywide OPCC review of funding, which we understand will be complete in July 2018. Ordinarily the total grant is in the order of £16,000.

- 7. SCDC, as one of the responsible authorities, allocates staffing as a resource to the delivery of CDRP priorities, as follows (including on costs):
  - (a) Head of Sustainable Communities and Wellbeing: £7,285
  - (b) Development Officer / Community Safety Officer: £25,841
  - (c) Operational Manager, Env Health £11,722
- 8. In addition, the Director of Health and Environmental Services chairs the T&CG and attends various partnership meetings, such as the Community Safety Strategic Board (CSSB) and all officers make links with the CSSB delivery groups.
- 9. Over and above what has already been agreed and allocated, there should be no further financial or resource impact on South Cambridgeshire District Council of the implementation of the partnership Action Plan.

#### Considerations

- 10. The CDRP and its T&CG are closely involved with the work of the County Community Safety Strategic Board and its various theme-based Delivery Groups. The CDRP seeks not to duplicate activity that is led elsewhere and has developed an action plan that can add value on issues specific to South Cambridgeshire.
- 11. The CDRP also seeks to challenge the data where appropriate and provide evidence where assumptions are made regarding low levels of crime.
- 12. For the 2018-19 year the priorities for the Action Plan, as follows, are to:
  - (a) Support vulnerable groups those who might become victims and potential perpetrators of crime, including hate crime, scams and rogue trading, domestic abuse, radicalisation;
  - (b) Tackle thefts from homes and cars reducing vulnerability by increasing engagement and raising awareness; and
  - (c) Build community resilience improving support for our diverse communities, understanding the impact of rural crime (such as hare coursing and fly tipping) and raising awareness of emerging crime types (such as modern day slavery, County Lines).
- 13. The Local Policing Review and Police Control Strategy priorities have been considered in the development of the Action Plan for 2018-19 and members of the T&CG have worked closely with the police representatives on the CDRP to formulate an action plan that adds value to police activity.
- 14. The Local Policing Review has resulted in the creation in Cambridgeshire of North and South Divisions. The three pillars of policing activity will be:
  - (a) Response;
  - (b) Investigations; and
  - (c) Neighbourhood Policing.
- 15. The Southern Neighbourhood Team proposals make clear that, alongside prevention, there will be a Partnerships team, organised into three sub-teams:

- (a) Geographic problem solving team looking at causal factors for crime and disorder:
- (b) Community Action Team looking at high demand people, action plans for specific places and projects to improve neighbourhoods; and
- (c) Police Community Support Team looking at community engagement, contact and communication, visibility and community support.
- 16. Neighbourhood Policing will be executed under four main strands:
  - (a) Visibility, presence and engagement;
  - (b) Problem solving;
  - (c) Community resilience-building; and
  - (d) Managing offenders in our Communities.

## **Implications**

17. In the writing of this report, taking into account financial, legal, staffing, risk management, equality and diversity, climate change, community safety and any other key issues, the following implications have been considered: -

#### **Financial**

18. Where funds are necessary for the delivery of the action plan, these will be sought from the OPCC in July and / or sourced from the CDRP Pooled Fund and / or sourced from CDRP members. There are no additional costs to South Cambridgeshire District Council of this action plan.

### Staffing

19. Where there is the need for SCDC to take the lead on activity, this will be coordinated and supported by the Development Officer providing support to the CDRP in a Community Safety Officer capacity.

## Risk Management

20. The action plan is reviewed monthly at T&CG meetings where risks and barriers to delivery are discussed and addressed collaboratively. CDRP partners are open to adapting the action plan at any point in the year should the need arise out of emerging issues and threats.

#### Equality and Diversity

21. The CDRP seeks through this action plan to understand vulnerability to crime and to support groups at risk of becoming victims or perpetrators. Priority 3 specifically seeks to better understand the needs of diverse groups across South Cambridgeshire.

#### Consultation responses

22. The CDRP Board has agreed the priorities and delegated the development of specific actions to the T&CG. Partners will agree this action plan at the 6 June meeting of the T&CG.

#### **Effect on Strategic Aims**

## Aim 1 - Living Well

23. The CDRP Plan and the Police Southern Neighbourhood Team proposals contribute to ensuring South Cambridgeshire's communities remain in good health whilst

continuing to protect the natural and built environment. Of particular relevance are Objectives 3, 4 and 5:

- (3) contributing to improving residents' mental and emotional wellbeing and physical health;
- (4) having a planning policy framework that enables new and established communities to be thriving, healthy, safe and attractive places to live;
- (5) finding solutions for people facing homelessness and managing the impacts of welfare reform on our vulnerable residents.

## **Background Papers**

South Cambridgeshire Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership – Strategic Assessment, December 2017.

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