

CRIME & DISORDER REDUCTION PARTNERSHIP BRIEFING NOTE

To: Scrutiny & Overview Committee

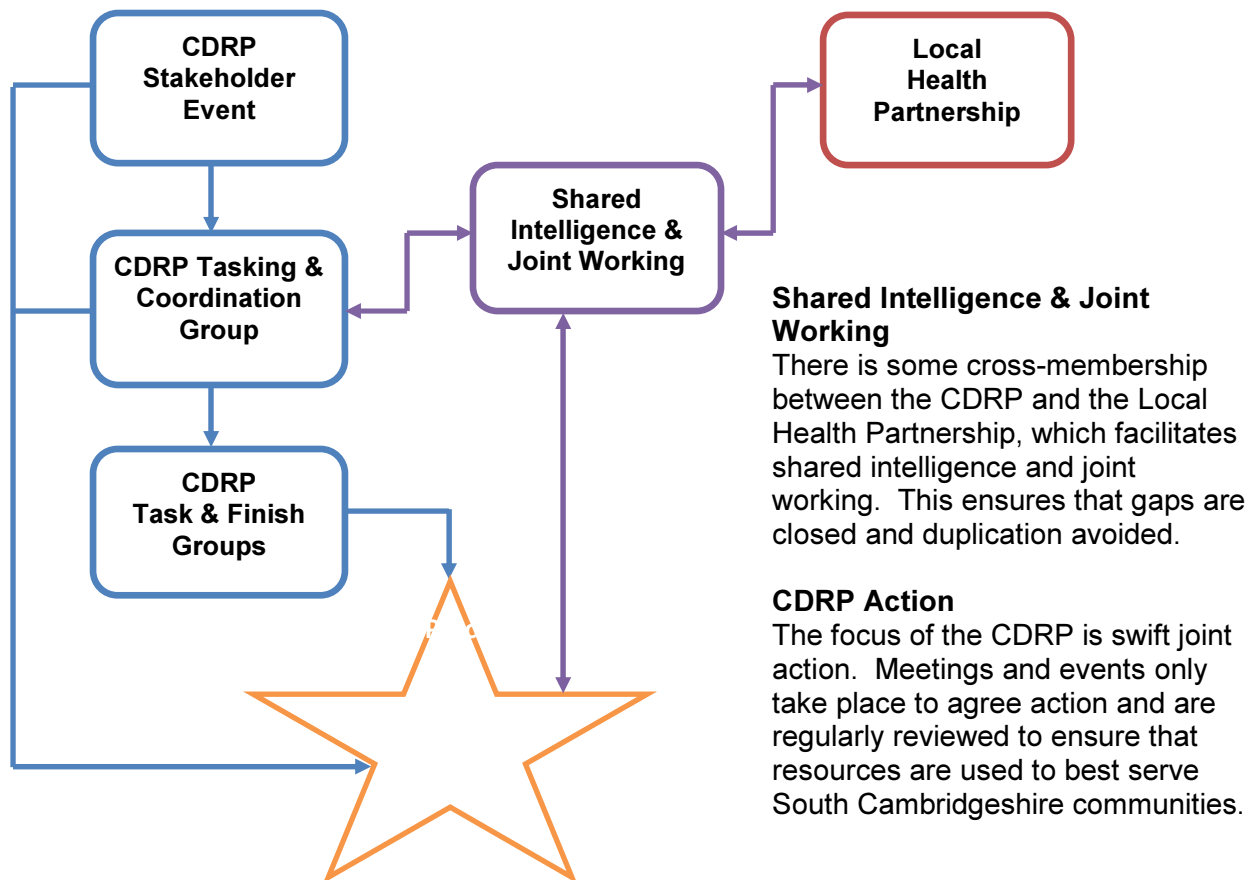
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WHO DOES WHAT?

In November 2011 the South Cambridgeshire Crime & Disorder Reduction Partnership (CDRP) moved to a new way of working that focuses on taking swift action. Board meetings have reduced and now take the form of twice-yearly stakeholder events that are held for the wider partnership to agree priorities, agree the spending plan and challenge the actions taken by the tasking and coordination group.

A smaller multi-agency tasking and co-ordination group meets on a monthly basis to tackle problems that require a multi-agency response and overcome operational and procedural issues of concern. The tasking and co-ordination group includes a core of district council, county council, police, NHS and fire service. Other organisations are invited dependent on emerging priorities. The tasking and coordination group uses a priority tracker to ensure that actions are progressed.

The Council's elected member representative is Councillor Ben Shelton. The Council's lead officers on the CDRP are the Chief Executive and the Director, Health & Environmental Services.



CDRP Stakeholder Event

Responsibility for:

- Agreeing budget, priorities & targets

- Approving annual report
- Challenging six-month review

CDRP Tasking & Coordination Group

Responsibility for:

- Agreeing specific partnership action against priorities
- Monitoring performance and results
- Identifying emerging issues
- Managing the budget

CDRP Task & Finish Groups

Set up, when required, by the CDRP Tasking & Coordination Group on a short-term basis to: Research and plan the best course of action against a specific priority or problem.

Examples of recent CDRP Task & Finish Groups:

- Crimes Against Business – The group met once in August 2012 to agree a timetable of action. The action plan was agreed by the CDRP Tasking in Coordination Group within two-weeks of the meeting and actions progressed immediately. The group will only meet again if a specific need arises.
- Shaping & Supporting New Growth – A few small group meetings have taken place to explore how partners can better engage with and influence the process and design of new communities. Again, the action plan was agreed by the CDRP Tasking in Coordination Group within two-weeks of the meetings and actions progressed immediately. As a starting point, partners now have free access to the District Council's main office, with access cards and easy access to their own IT systems, which is resulting in closer working relationships.

The CDRP is also in the process of refreshing its anti-social behaviour problem-solving structures. The new monthly case conferences will take place in each of the three neighbourhood policing / children's localities and will look at both anti-social behaviour cases and Together for Families cases, which are sometimes the same individuals/families.

PERFORMANCE IN 2012/13

The CDRP targets mirror those of the South Cambridgeshire policing area. In 2012/13 the police and CDRP recorded 4683 crimes, which was a reduction of 4.7% (233) against a target of 4%.

The CDRP activity report, produced in January 2013 for the Stakeholder Event is attached at **Appendix A**.

PRIORITIES FOR 2013 ONWARDS

The refreshed priorities for 2013 onwards can be found at **Appendix B** in the Community Safety Plan. The overarching headings have remained very similar to those in 2012. However, the specifics under each priority have been amended to reflect the achievements of the past year as well as new challenges.

The Community Safety Plan 2013 was approved by Cabinet on 11 April 2013. The priorities will again be refreshed in early 2014 following a Strategic Assessment in late 2013.

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