



**South Cambridgeshire Crime & Disorder Reduction Partnership
Update for SCDSC Scrutiny Committee
October 2008**

The South Cambridgeshire Crime & Disorder Reduction Partnership (CDRP) brings together a number of agencies that can make an impact on reducing crime and anti-social behaviour in the District.

Through timely briefings by the CDRP, the Scrutiny Committee can be kept up to date about current and emerging statutory work, progress towards targets, as well as providing an opportunity for input and challenge where appropriate.

The CDRP has to produce an annual rolling plan, which is informed by an annual Strategic Assessment. This update for the Scrutiny committee outlines the steps in the process carried out so far and the timetable that the CDRP will follow.

Timetable

1. Strategic Assessment consultation

- County wide consultation ran from June to 12 September 2008
- Available on paper and on-line
- 540 questionnaires were received from South Cambridgeshire residents, out of a total of 1650 received from across the County.

2. Strategic Assessment

- This document is produced annually by the County Council, and provides the evidence for the content of the next CDRP Rolling Plan.
- It includes latest crime statistics, analysis, information gathered from neighbourhood panels, consultation responses as well as a commentary on how the CDRP task groups are performing
- The document is still in draft format, but early analysis shows there has been a fall in the total number of crimes recorded, driven by falls in criminal damage and a small drop in vehicle crime. Although vehicle crime is a current priority for South Cambridgeshire, the recent survey results do not show a high level of concern about the issue, with actual crime levels relatively low when compared to similar CDRPs in the country. In most crime categories South Cambridgeshire has generally performed well when compared with its most similar group of CDRPs. There has been a rise (16%) in the number of dwelling burglaries
- The number of Anti-social behaviour incidents recorded in South Cambridgeshire this year has been very similar to that of last year. There has been a fall in the number of abandoned vehicles reported, but a rise in reports of other vehicle-related nuisance. This is reflected in the results from the recent survey of residents, which showed anti-social use of vehicles as a concern for more than 60% of those who responded. The clear overall message from the survey is a widespread perception that anti-social behaviour is a problem, and the CDRP is likely to keep it as a priority.
- The Partnership will consider the final Strategic Assessment document at its meeting on Monday 27 October, and will then use it to set its priorities for 2009-2012.

3. CDRP Rolling Plan

- Written by CDRP partners during October – December 2009
- Scheduled to be agreed by CDRP at its Tuesday 27 January 2008
- Scheduled for Council Cabinet 12 February 2009
- Scheduled for Council adoption 26 February 2009
- Launch and Distribution from April 2009 onwards

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