

REPORT FROM: CHIEF EXECUTIVE

TO: POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

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PENDLE COMMUNITY SAFETY STRATEGY 2019-22

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To inform and share with the Committee, Pendle's new Community Safety Strategy for 2019-22.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- (1) To note the report and Strategy.
- (2) To support Pendle Council's contribution to the delivery of the Strategy, particularly in regard to the three priorities and related actions.

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

To carry out Pendle Council's duty under the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 to contribute to the development and delivery of the actions set out in the Strategy.

ISSUE

Background

The Crime and Disorder Act 1998 places a duty on the police, local authorities, key partners and organisations to work together to develop and implement local crime reduction plans. Before developing such plans, they must identify key local crime and disorder priorities through consultation, and by analysing crime and disorder levels and patterns in the area.

Together with the Police, Pendle Borough Council, Lancashire County Council, offender management services, the fire and rescue service, health, voluntary and community sector organisations and housing providers, Pendle Community Safety Partnership (CSP) is the representative body through which each agency discharges its Crime and Disorder duties.

The result is this three-year Strategy (Appendix 1), with yearly action plans based upon an assessment of partner and other data including community concerns to provide an accurate picture of local community safety priorities.

Process

The data and intelligence used to develop the Strategy is as follows:

- Crime data
- Lancashire Strategic Assessment 2018-21, including the Pendle Profile
- Workshop discussions with Pendle Community Safety partners
- Pendle CSP Survey
- Living in Lancashire 2018 Survey
- Life in Pendle 2018 Survey
- Nelson town centre research

All CSP partners have had opportunity to input into the first draft of the Strategy, which was circulated then discussed at the Pendle CSP meeting on 10th June 2019.

Priorities

The priorities identified in the action plan within the Strategy are:

- Keeping young people and adults with vulnerabilities safe
- Tackling the causes of crime through education and early intervention
- Community Engagement in community safety priorities

Delivery

The agreed delivery vehicle is different from previous years. In the absence of a CSP Delivery Group (which ceased to meet around 2012), partners agreed to engage in Task Groups to deliver the actions in the three priority areas.

Each task group has a nominated Lead and is multi-agency. They will each be supported by a member of the Localities and Policy team.

Each task group will report on progress and any barriers to the full CSP meeting, which meets on a quarterly basis.

Whilst the Strategy is for a three-year period, the actions within it will develop according to local issues and needs, using a Partnership approach which adds value.

The action plan(s) will evolve over time, and be formally updated on an annual basis over the three year period.

IMPLICATIONS

Policy: Pendle's Community Safety Strategy 2019-22 is central to the delivery of Community Safety policy in the Borough.

Financial:	Delivery of the Strategy requires officer time, both from the Council and other partner agencies. It is supported by a £10k grant from the OPCC and a £2k grant from PBC.
Legal:	Pendle's Community Safety Strategy 2019-22 responds to our duty in the Crime and Disorder Act 1998.
Risk Management:	Failure to deliver appropriate outcomes from this Strategy could mean that our legal duty is not being carried out effectively.
Health and Safety:	No issues arising from this report.
Sustainability:	No issues arising from this report.
Community Safety:	Pendle's Community Safety Strategy 2019-22 is central to supporting Community Safety in the Borough.
Equality and Diversity:	The Strategy seeks to meet the needs of all Pendle communities and in particular targets vulnerable people, as outlined in the action plan.

APPENDICES

Appendix 1 – Pendle Community Safety Strategy 2019-22

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

Lancashire Strategic Assessment 2018-21, including the Pendle Profile
 Pendle CSP Survey
 Living in Lancashire 2018 Survey
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