

REPORT FROM: Head of Policy and Commissioning

TO: Overview and Scrutiny Committee

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Pendle Community Safety Partnership

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To provide an update on actions agreed at the last meeting.

ISSUE

At the last meeting of this Committee, Members began a review of the work being undertaken by the Pendle Community Safety Partnership. This involved considering the wider structure, which includes the Pennine Community Safety Partnership.

The Committee heard that single district CSPs may not be sustainable, even in the short term. One of several reasons for this was the potential implications of greater accountability to the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC), which had been out to consultation.

Members were keen to hear of the outcome of the consultation and to also learn of the benefits or otherwise of joining the Pennine CSP.

The Committee also requested an update on the future of the Lancashire Road Safety Partnership.

Update

- The outcome of the first round of consultation, which closed in May 2023, is available via the following link - [Community safety partnerships review and antisocial behaviour powers: government response - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)

Much of the outcome of this consultation is now in the Criminal Justice Bill which was awaiting Report Stage and Third Reading prior to the general election. This mainly includes the changes to Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) Tools and Powers, but also includes a number of

reporting requirements to the PCC around ASB and ASB Case Reviews from all Responsible Authorities, including District Councils.

- The second phase of the consultation was a survey which closed in December. This can be accessed via the following link - [The CSP Review : CSP Review Phase Two Survey \(homeofficesurveys.homeoffice.gov.uk\)](https://homeofficesurveys.homeoffice.gov.uk).

The objective of this consultation was to better understand how CSPs currently work, the scope of current CSP activity and how this intersects with other partners in the local crime reduction landscape, what is working well, and where improvements or changes could be made. This included:

- Relationships with other partnerships
- Funding arrangements between CSPs and their partners
- Participation by the Responsible Authorities
- Partner's influence when working with CSPs
- Effectiveness of community engagement in the delivery of CSP strategies
- How well CSP strategies reflect community priorities
- Effectiveness of the local authority scrutiny process

In summary, there may be more accountability to the PCC on ASB if the Criminal Justice Bill passes and commences and the consultation is developed further. The implication of both what was in the Criminal Justice Bill and the second phase consultation is greater accountability of CSPs which will impact on District Councils as both a Responsible Authority and facilitators of CSPs.

Cracking down on ASB is one of the new government's first steps for change however whether the Criminal Justice Bill and the consultation will feature in that agenda remains to be seen.

- Members have been invited to attend a meeting of the Pennine Community Safety Partnership to observe the proceedings.
- In March 2024, Lancashire County Council advised that the Lancashire Road Safety Partnership (LRSP) was undergoing a root and branch review. The LRSP Manager and the Co-ordinators role had been disestablished and new terms of reference for the group were being considered.

Members are reminded that the LRSP was not responsible for the provision of road safety in Lancashire but was a vehicle to allow multiple agencies to come together to share and champion best practice. Lancashire County Council continues to work collaboratively and closely with all its Lancashire road safety partners.

The constabulary now manage the LRSP website which still includes the speed concern portal [Speed Concern Submission – Lancashire Road Safety Partnership \(lancsroadsafety.co.uk\)](https://lancsroadsafety.co.uk). The portal should still be used as the primary means to report any speed related issues in Lancashire.

IMPLICATIONS

Policy:	None arising directly from the report.
Financial:	None arising directly from the report.
Legal:	None arising directly from the report.

Risk Management: None arising directly from the report.

Health and Safety: None arising directly from the report.

Sustainability: None arising directly from the report.

Community Safety: None arising directly from the report.

Equality and Diversity: None arising directly from the report.