

Bath & North East Somerset Council

MEETING/ DECISION MAKER:	Children, Adults, Health & Wellbeing Policy Development & Scrutiny Panel	
MEETING/ DECISION DATE:	Tuesday 17th January at 10.00am	EXECUTIVE FORWARD PLAN REFERENCE:
TITLE:	Joint Community Safety Plan 2022 – 2025	
WARD:	All	
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List of attachments to this report: Appendix 1. Joint Community Safety Plan 2022 – 2025		

1 THE ISSUE

- 1.1 This report sets out the current position on the Council's draft Joint Community Safety Plan to the Panel for consideration and feedback

2 RECOMMENDATION

The Panel is asked to;

- 2.1 Identify any areas of specific feedback that the panel wishes to highlight within the draft Joint Community Safety Plan set out in Appendix 1. and
- 2.2 Note the next steps for the Joint Community Safety Plan

3 THE REPORT

Background and engagement to date

- 3.1 Community Safety Partnerships (CSPs) are statutory bodies required under the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 (and subsequent amendments). The Crime and Disorder Act 1998 sets out a duty for the 'responsible authorities' to work together to develop crime and disorder audits and implement reduction strategies.) The 'responsible authorities' that form the CSPs are the local Authority, Police, Health, Probation and the Fire and Rescue Service. In B&NES

we have a unique approach to the governance and delivery of community safety priorities. Our community safety and safeguarding governance arrangements to look holistically at how the needs of children, adults at risk, families and the wider community could be met sits within the remit of the B&NES Community Safety & Safeguarding Partnership (BCSSP).

- 3.1 The Joint Community Safety Plan sets out how all partners will work together to protect vulnerable people, prevent crime and build strong, resilient communities. It focuses on collective priorities with a shared vision, and actions. The Joint Community Safety Plan serves as both the Community Safety Plan and the local Police & Crime Plan for Bath & North East Somerset.
- 3.1 It sets out the PCC and Council's community safety objectives and planned activities for the next three years, identifying the key issues upon which we will focus to tackle crime, disorder and anti-social behaviour in Bath & North East Somerset. The plan utilises the data we hold on crime in Bath and North East Somerset and reflects priorities and concerns raised by local people.
- 3.1 Avon & Somerset Police provide regular policing updates to the 'Connecting Communities' Area Forums and this allows for local concerns to be raised and projects identified. An analysis of the Connecting Communities Forum reports and feedback has identified a number of differences in concerns raised across B&NES. Most recently the Forums have highlighted issues of river safety, rural crime particularly related to agricultural buildings, vehicles, sheds and garages and antisocial behaviour.

4 STATUTORY CONSIDERATIONS

- 4.1 The joint Community Safety Plan is the overarching strategic plan which outlines the key priorities of the Responsible Authorities over the next 3 years for reducing crime and disorder and improving community safety.

5 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (FINANCE, PROPERTY, PEOPLE)

- 5.1 No additional resource implications have been identified.

6 RISK MANAGEMENT

- 6.1 A risk assessment related to the issue and recommendations has been undertaken, in compliance with the Council's decision making risk management guidance.

7 EQUALITIES

- 7.1 The equality impact assessment noted that the plan sets out how all partners will work together to protect vulnerable people, prevent crime and build strong, resilient communities, focusing on collective priorities with a shared vision, and actions.
- 7.2 The Joint Community Safety Plan has been presented to the Independent Equality Advisory Group.

8 CLIMATE CHANGE

- 8.1 This report contains information on the Council's draft Joint Community Safety Plan. No climate issues have been identified in the production of this report.

9 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 9.1 None

10 CONSULTATION

- 10.1 The draft Joint Community Safety Plan is currently subject to an online consultation which is ongoing at time of drafting this report. This is designed to collect comments from residents and interested stakeholders.

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Background papers	
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