



Safer Stronger Partnership

Appendix 'A'

2012 - 2015 PARTNERSHIP PLAN

OUR VISION

'TO BUILD A SAFER COMMUNITY'

OUR PRIORITIES

To Reduce: -

- **Crime – with particular reference to Residential Burglary; Harm Caused through Misuse of Drugs and Alcohol; Criminal Damage; Vehicle Crime; Violent Crime & Acquisitive Crime, especially shoplifting and metal thefts.**
- **Anti-Social Behaviour**
- **Re-Offending**
- **The Threat of Terrorism**

And

- **Help Make Our Communities Stronger**

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SPELTHORNE SAFER STRONGER PARTNERSHIP PLAN 2012 – 2015

FOREWORD AND BACKGROUND

Nationally each Community Safety Partnership is required annually to undertake a strategic assessment of crime and disorder and to consult with the community about the areas of concern. This assessment is an analysis of crimes, including trends and projections linked to community feedback. This leads to emerging / draft priorities for action. Following the completion of the assessment a Partnership Plan has to be prepared setting out our agreed priorities. This is then followed by action plans which include funding allocations from the Partnership to help implement various schemes and initiatives.

Following the completion of an assessment, I have pleasure in launching our Spelthorne Safer Stronger Partnership Plan for 2012 to 2015.

The Partnership is committed to playing a key role in reducing all aspects of crime and disorder, and our strategic assessment identified key priorities upon which to concentrate effort and resources. These priorities reflect the concerns of our community and are as follows:

Reduce: -

- Anti-social behaviour - especially rowdy & inconsiderate behaviour / neighbour disputes
 - Crime - Those which are most significant to Spelthorne
 - Re-offending¹
 - The threat of terrorism
- And
- Help make our communities stronger

The strategic assessment and this Partnership Plan relate specifically to the situation within Spelthorne and, whilst responding to national and county targets, it seeks to provide a local response that is relevant to the specific needs of the local community. Other aspects of crime and disorder, whilst not identified as priorities, will continue to be dealt with as appropriate by the relevant agency; e.g. Robbery.

The Partnership Plan is a rolling three-year plan that has to be refreshed annually. This process will be aided by the completion of annual strategic assessments, performance monitoring and stakeholder consultation. Feedback will be particularly welcomed from members of the community living and working within the borough.

Roberto Tambini
Chair of the SSSP Board

¹ This is a Government priority that we are required to adopt

INTRODUCTION AND GOVERNANCE

How We Currently Operate

The Spelthorne Community Safety Partnership (CSP) is known locally as the Spelthorne Safer Stronger Partnership (SSSP). It has a strong commitment and a good track record of tackling all aspects of crime and disorder, providing reassurance to local communities and of community engagement. The Partnership has established a Strategy Board which includes both statutory and non-statutory members.

Strategy Board

This has responsibility to support the Implementation Group and Task Groups and monitor the overall implementation of the Strategy and detailed action plans; to approve the financial strategy; oversee funding arrangements, and to ensure that overall objectives and individual targets are met. The Board meets quarterly.

Statutory members are identified with an *

Spelthorne Borough Council*
Surrey Police*
Surrey Fire Authority*
NHS Surrey*
Surrey County Council*
Surrey & Sussex Probation Service*
Surrey Police Authority*
Neighbourhood Watch (NHW)
Voluntary Action in Spelthorne (VAIS)
Magistrates
A2Dominion Housing
Bronzefield Prison
Drug and Alcohol Action Team

Operational Management Group (OMG)

The Operational Management Group oversees the delivery of the Action Plans. It brings together the leads for each of the areas of work, identifies gaps in delivery, makes recommendations to the Board and evaluates the projects and the final spending. It physically meets every 6 months in order to confirm progress; between these times the group will meet 'virtually' via e-mails and telephone.

Spelthorne Borough Council
Surrey Police
NHS Surrey
Surrey & Sussex Probation Service
Surrey Fire & Rescue Service
Spelthorne Age Concern
Surrey County Council

Joint Action Group (JAG)

The JAG's primary role is to facilitate improved responses to localised crime and disorder issues by continually appraising local intelligence, monitoring incidents, as well as dealing with concerns relating to Anti-Social Behaviour etc. The JAG utilises geographical hot spotting which assists in recording patterns of crime thereby helping to create solutions at an operational level. Subsequently the JAG is able to provide a quick and effective localised response. This group meets monthly and membership

is as follows: -

Spelthorne Borough Council – Community Safety plus various services Surrey Police, Surrey Fire and Rescue Service, Surrey Youth Justice Team, NHS Surrey, A2Dominion Housing Association, Neighbourhood Watch, SADAS, Surrey County Council.

Community Incident Action Group (CIAG)

The Group will address community safety issues that are caused by problem individuals and families that are disruptive to the community as well as locations that have become a cause for concern. This group meets monthly and membership is as follows: -

Spelthorne Borough Council – Surrey Police, NHS Surrey, Surrey Community Development Trust A2 Dominion Group, Surrey Youth Justice Service, Spelthorne Locality Team, Surrey Children's Services, Surrey Youth Development Service, L&Q Housing Trust

Prolific and other Priority Offenders (PPO) Management Panel

This group work closely together with a specific duty to prevent and deter new entrants to the criminal justice system, to catch and convict active criminals who cause most harm to our communities, and to help resettle and rehabilitate those offenders who want to turn their backs on a life of crime. This group meets monthly and membership is as follows: -

Spelthorne Borough Council, Spelthorne Police PPO Officer; Engage (Drug Intervention Programme); National Probation Service; Creating Futures Education and Employment Service; Youth Justice Service.

The Local Strategic Partnership (known as SPELTHORNE TOGETHER)

This Partnership is led by an Executive, which sets the strategic direction for the Partnership, and oversees the work of the theme groups, which carry out the action plan. There are four theme groups as follows: -

- Safer Stronger
- Children & Young People
- Health & Wellbeing
- Economic Development, Housing, Infrastructure and Environment

Each of the theme groups contribute towards the holistic needs of the Borough through agreed action plans; Spelthorne Together produce a long term Community Plan (over ten years) bringing together a variety of agencies via the themed groups to deliver services and report directly to the Spelthorne Together Executive.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

How We Consult

The Partnership uses a wide range of methods to engage with the local community. These include meetings such as forums and panels and written forms of engagement such as publications, surveys, newsletters and websites.

Neighbourhood Policing Panels

There are nine separate panel meetings at different locations across the Borough every six to eight weeks, based on neighbourhood policing areas. The Panels are informal meetings, giving residents the opportunity to meet amongst others their Police Community Support Officers and Neighbourhood Specialist Officers and highlight the issues they are most concerned about in their community. The issues they raise will then be prioritised for the local policing team who will identify ways of dealing with them over the proceeding weeks; details of measures taken will be reported back at subsequent meetings.

Events of significant local interest

These are open meetings for residents to find out more about issues of local significance, ask questions and air their views and concerns. These public meetings will be convened when a matters of significant public importance or interest within a local area arise.

Face the People

There is statutory requirement for every Partnership to hold at least one of these events each year; the purpose of this is to raise the visibility of the Partnership, to update the communities in relation to progress in tackling crime and disorder, the activities that have taken place in the Borough, schemes undertaken etc and future plans. It will also take questions from the community in a public forum where on issues of concern. The uniqueness of this event is that the presenters are the most senior statutory representatives.

Partnership Action Days²

These are multi agency days which take place around the borough. They involve numerous agencies such as the Local Authority, police, NHS Surrey, Surrey Fire and Rescue Service and the voluntary and community sector to name but a few, who work together to tackle issues highlighted for that particular area. Each day includes an opportunity for the public to meet and talk to officers from the police, fire, council and other partners; future events will develop a closer relationship with local school involvement.

THE STRATEGIC ASSESSMENT SUMMARY

Current Key Priorities

The strategic assessment is an annual document and covers the period from 1st October to 30th September each year.

² A one-day operation involving many partnership agencies working together to reduce crime and disorder, provide visible presence to increase reassurance and to provide crime prevention and other advice to residents. The key themes include engagement, awareness and enforcement.

Spelthorne is situated within the safest county in England and is a safe place within which to live, work or visit. The SSSP, whilst committed to making it even safer, acknowledges that the perception of some people is that the borough is not as safe as it actually is. **Overall crime was down 7% in 2009 and a further 5% in 2010; however 2011 saw an increase of 1%.**

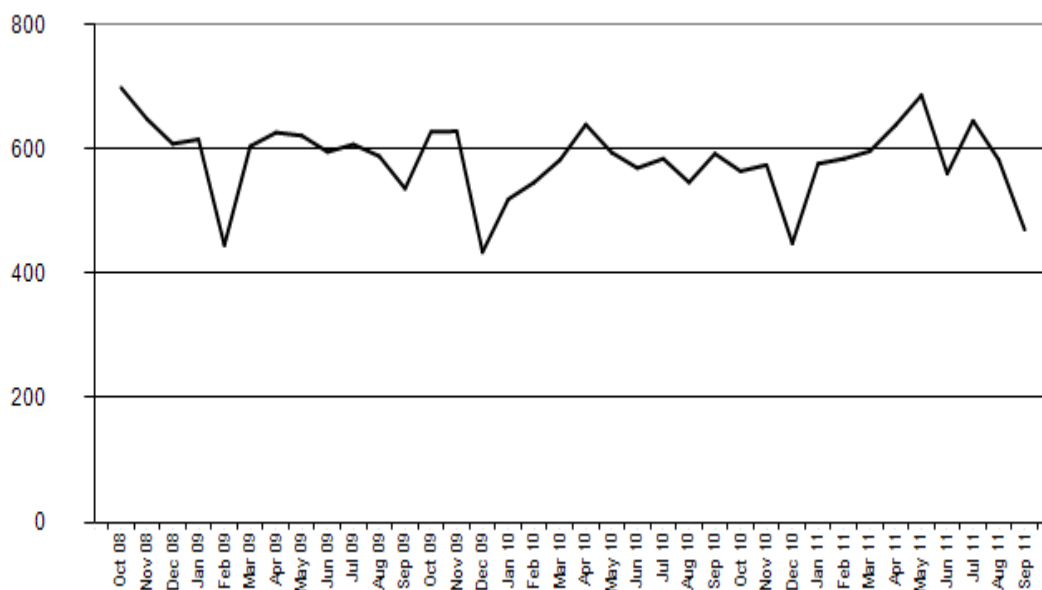
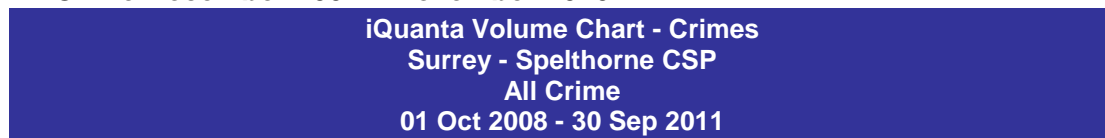
All Crime

Previous Year Ending Selected Month		Year Ending Selected Month
<u>1 Oct 09 - 30 Sep 10</u>		<u>1 Oct 10 - 30 Sep 11</u>
6,860	Up 63 (1%)	6,923

Source: iQuanta 30-11-2011

The key priorities identified last year for 2011 – 2014 were, acquisitive crime, anti-social behaviour, reduce reoffending and violent crime.

All Crime December 2007 – November 2010



Below there is a summary of our performance around key priority areas for the period 1st October 2010 to 30th September 2011 against the performance in the previous years.

Burglary Dwelling

Previous Year Ending Selected Month		Year Ending Selected Month
<u>1 Oct 07 - 30 Sep 08</u>		<u>1 Oct 08 - 30 Sep 09</u>
496	Down 50 (10%)	446

iQuanta

Previous Year Ending Selected Month		Year Ending Selected Month
<u>1 Oct 08 - 30 Sep 09</u>		<u>1 Oct 09 - 30 Sep 10</u>
446	Down 17 (4%)	429

Previous Year Ending Selected Month		Year Ending Selected Month
<u>1 Oct 09 - 30 Sep 10</u>		<u>1 Oct 10 - 30 Sep 11</u>
429	Down 40 (9%)	389

Source: iQuanta 30-11-2011

Acquisitive Crime³

Previous Year Ending Selected Month		Year Ending Selected Month
<u>1 Oct 07 - 30 Sep 08</u>		<u>1 Oct 08 - 30 Sep 09</u>
1,529	Down 62 (4%)	1,467

iQuanta Data

Previous Year Ending Selected Month		Year Ending Selected Month
<u>1 Oct 08 - 30 Sep 09</u>		<u>1 Oct 09 - 30 Sep 10</u>
1,467	Up 128 (9%)	1,595

Previous Year Ending Selected	Year Ending Selected Month
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³ Acquisitive crime as defined by iQuanta includes- Theft from a person; theft in a dwelling; unauthorised theft or taking of a cycle; other theft and handling; shoplifting

Month		
<u>1 Oct 09 - 30 Sep 10</u>		<u>1 Oct 10 - 30 Sep 11</u>
1,595	Up 120 (8%)	1,715

Source: iQuanta 30-11-2011

Criminal Damage

Previous Year Ending Selected Month		Year Ending Selected Month
<u>1 Oct 07 - 30 Sep 08</u>		<u>1 Oct 08 - 30 Sep 09</u>
1,531	Up 57 (4%)	1,588

Previous Year Ending Selected Month		Year Ending Selected Month
<u>1 Oct 08 - 30 Sep 09</u>		<u>1 Oct 09 - 30 Sep 10</u>
1,588	Down 276 (17%)	1,312

Source: iQuanta 14-10-2010

Previous Year Ending Selected Month		Year Ending Selected Month
<u>1 Oct 09 - 30 Sep 10</u>		<u>1 Oct 10 - 30 Sep 11</u>
1,312	Down 106 (8%)	1,206

Source: iQuanta 30-11-2011

Theft from a vehicle

Previous Year Ending Selected Month		Year Ending Selected Month
<u>1 Oct 07 - 30 Sep 08</u>		<u>1 Oct 08 - 30 Sep 09</u>
727	Down 191 (26%)	536

Previous Year Ending Selected Month		Year Ending Selected Month
<u>1 Oct 08 - 30 Sep 09</u>		<u>1 Oct 09 - 30 Sep 10</u>
536	Down 67 (13%)	469

Source: iQuanta 14-10-2010

Previous Year Ending Selected Month		Year Ending Selected Month
<u>1 Oct 09 - 30 Sep 10</u>		<u>1 Oct 10 - 30 Sep 11</u>
469	Up 121 (26%)	590

Source: iQuanta 30-11-2011

Theft of a Vehicle

Previous Year Ending Selected Month		Year Ending Selected Month
<u>1 Oct 07 - 30 Sep 08</u>		<u>1 Oct 08 - 30 Sep 09</u>
264	Down 18 (7%)	246

Previous Year Ending Selected Month		Year Ending Selected Month
<u>1 Oct 08 - 30 Sep 09</u>		<u>1 Oct 09 - 30 Sep 10</u>
246	Down 75 (30%)	171

Previous Year Ending Selected Month		Year Ending Selected Month
<u>1 Oct 09 - 30 Sep 10</u>		<u>1 Oct 10 - 30 Sep 11</u>
171	Down 28 (16%)	143

Source: iQuanta 30-11-2011

Violent Crime (introduced as a target in 2010)

Previous Year Ending Selected Month		Year Ending Selected Month
<u>1 Oct 09 - 30 Sep 10</u>		<u>1 Oct 10 - 30 Sep 11</u>
501	Down 101 (20%)	400

Source: iQuanta 30-11-2011

In summary, the assessment found that **crime in Spelthorne had seen reductions across 4 areas and an increase in 2** (theft from vehicles and theft in general).

Anti-social behaviour has also been identified through forums and a web based consultation as a priority; in quarterly surveys conducted by the police speeding motorists and anti-social use of vehicles have caused the greatest cause for concern; this is replicated in all other Boroughs within Surrey.

Analysis of the data shows that one of the key indicators 'rowdy & inconsiderate behaviour' had dropped from 3,400 in 2008 / 09 to 3,159 in 2010 to 2944 this year, a reduction of 215 incidents; the number of abandoned motor vehicles also dropped from 359 in 2009 to 225 2010 then to 177 in 2011. Vehicles causing a nuisance or used inconsiderately were 989 (2009) 1162 (2010) and 983 in 2011.

Overall the volume of ASB incidents recorded fell from 6365 (2009), 6272 (2010) to 5851⁴ in 2011 a reduction of 421 from last year.

1.10.2010 – 30.9.2011

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ANIMAL PROBLEMS	119
FIREWORKS - INAPP SALE /USE /POSSESSION	23
MALICIOUS / NUISANCE COMMUNICATIONS	370
NOISE	189
LITTERING/DRUGS PARAPHERNALIA	89
NUISANCE NEIGHBOURS	516
ROWDY OR INCONSIDERATE BEHAVIOUR - TOTAL	2944
ROWDY OR INCONSIDERATE BEHAVIOUR NUISANCE	2667
ROWDY OR INCONSIDERATE BEHAVIOUR PERSONAL	277
STREET DRINKING	8
TRESPASS	24
VEHICLE NUISANCE / INAPPROPRIATE USE	983
TOTAL ASB	5442

Emerging Trends

Theft of metal and catalytic converters

Period	01 Aug 08 – 30 Jul 09	01 Oct 09 – 30 Sep 10	01 Oct 10 – 30 Sep 11
Theft of metal	62	160	202
Theft of	12	18	57

⁴ The way ASB is measured now excludes hoax calls made to the emergency services; in order to draw a comparison with previous years, this figure of 409 hoax calls for the relevant period has been included in the total figure.

catalytic
converters

These two offences, although not in the same category, have been grouped under the same heading because they are both linked to the rising value of metals. Both are countywide issues and it is likely that some cluster based working, particularly in developing a joint strategy, will have the biggest impact. Theft of metal increased 26% (42 offences) in this assessment period, and follows an already significant increase in the number of offences the previous year.

The strategic assessment will be available at
http://www.spelthorne.gov.uk/community___learning/communitysafety.htm

THE DRAFT KEY PRIORITIES FOR 2012 - 2015

Having undertaken a strategic assessment, our proposed priorities for 2012 – 15 have not changed significantly from the 2011 assessment and plan, they are now as follows: -

TO REDUCE: -

CRIME With particular reference to: -

Burglary (dwelling)
Acquisitive crime (particularly shoplifting & metal thefts)
Harm caused through misuse of drugs & alcohol
Criminal damage
Vehicle crime (theft of and theft from)
Violent Crime (with injury)

ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

To reduce the level of reported anti-social behaviour
(Particularly rowdy & inconsiderate behaviour / neighbourhood disputes)

RE-OFFENDING

Particularly around our prolific & priority offenders / domestic abuse perpetrators

Re-offending rate of prolific and priority offenders
Repeat incidents of domestic violence

THE THREAT OF TERRORISM

Protection against terrorist attack
Building communities resilient to violent extremism

And

HELP MAKE OUR COMMUNITIES STRONGER

(As proposed within the Localism Bill)

To work with and provide information, guidance and advice to make our communities stronger, particularly neighbourhood watch and residents associations:
In support of the Spelthorne Together Local Strategic Partnership priority, provide additional support for older people within our community.

MEETING OUR PRIORITIES

The Partnership has a set of annual action plans to deliver against these priorities. These plans are S.M.A.R.T⁵ and monitored by the OMG, with overall performance monitored by the Partnership Board.

The Board has its own Financial Strategy with funding provided by - key partners, and the Government, although at the time of preparing this strategy, the details of funding to Community Safety Partnerships is due to migrate to the responsibility of the Police & Crime Commissioner when elected in November 2012. Spending plans and support for individual schemes / projects are agreed annually in light of allocations received. A number of schemes operate across our local policing area⁶ and across the county; some funding is top-sliced in order to service these schemes.

THE FUTURE

The Partnership has a very strong record of success in helping reduce overall crime and disorder and in running numerous innovative Partnership schemes across the Borough. We are proud of our achievements but determined to make best use of our resources in order to meet our vision.

In the current economic climate and reducing budgets the Partnership will seek to achieve even greater value for money in respect of our limited resources and will explore opportunities of maximising our funding by identifying jointly funded initiatives and projects with our CSP neighbours.

⁵ Specific Measurable Achievable Realistic Time-bound

⁶ This is an area which consists of Spelthorne, Runnymede and Elmbridge.

OUR STATUTORY RESPONSIBILITIES

The police and other responsible agencies are required by law to work together to reduce crime and disorder, anti-social behaviour, alcohol, drug and other substance abuse and anti-social behaviour that impacts adversely on the environment and to reduce re-offending. In doing so the Partnership has a statutory requirement to:

- Undertake an annual strategic assessment of crime trends and reasons for the crimes that are occurring within their area
- Consult and engage with the community and develop and implement an annual three-year rolling Community Safety Partnership Plan.

Relevant legislation bringing statutory requirements for responsible agencies to work together in this way are as follows:

Crime and Disorder Act, 1998
Police Reform Act, 2002
Police and Justice Act, 2006

Section 17, Crime and Disorder Act 1998 - as amended by Schedule 9, Section 4 of the Police and Justice Act 2006: "Without prejudice to any other obligations imposed upon it, it shall be the duty of each authority to exercise its various functions with due regard to the likely effect of the exercise of those functions on, and the need to do all it reasonably can to prevent crime and disorder in its area including anti-social behaviour and other behaviour adversely affecting the local environment and the misuse of drugs and other substances in its area."

"This means that all authorities should take account of the community safety dimension in all of its work. All policies, strategies, plans and budgets will need to be considered from the standpoint of their potential contribution to the reduction of crime and disorder." (Home Office Executive Summary to Crime and Disorder Act 1998) 'Responsible Authorities' (as defined within the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 as amended by the Police Reform Act 2002) as relates to the Spelthorne Community Safety Partnership are:

- Spelthorne Borough Council
- Surrey County Council

- Surrey Constabulary
- Surrey Police Authority
- Surrey Fire and Rescue Service
- Surrey NHS
- Surrey & Sussex Probation Service

A number of other cooperating persons or bodies are required to be part of the process of working to reduce crime and disorder within the partnership and these are also represented within the SSSP Board.

Section 115, Crime and Disorder Act 1998 – establishes the power to disclose and use information for the purposes of resolving crime and disorder. The process for sharing information is set out in the Surrey Information Sharing Protocol.

Police and Justice Act 2006 and Statutory Instruments 1830 and 1831 of 2007 – Improvements and changes to partnership provisions are reflected within this new legislation. The statutory requirements form part of what are known as: 'Hallmarks of Effective Partnerships'⁷

- Empowered and effective leadership
- Intelligence led business processes
- Effective and responsive delivery structures
- Engaged communities
- Visible and constructive accountability
- Appropriate skills and knowledge

Performance Monitoring

Each key priority that is identified within this plan contains a number of actions. These are designed to ensure that priority objectives are achieved. Targets have been set as an essential part of bringing about that achievement, this will form the Action Plan. Monitoring performance will be set against a series of agreed performance indicators. These indicators will be set against each key priority.

The Action Plan will be placed on the council web site and updated on a quarterly basis so that the public can track progress.

Crime, disorder and anti-social behaviour data and associated performance information will be collected by the Operational Management Group and presented to the SSSP Board at the quarterly meetings, so that delivery can be monitored and lack of progress challenged. This information will also be available to other bodies, including those with community representation, as appropriate. Annual reports will also be available for wider community consultative processes and transparency.

Other national, county and local plans, strategies and policies complement or impact in some way upon this Community Safety Partnership Plan; the more significant of these are as follows:

- A New Approach to Fighting Crime 2011

⁷ Further information on this and other guidance is contained within 'Delivering Safer Communities: A guide to effective partnership working'.

<http://www.crimereduction.homeoffice.gov.uk/partnerships/partnerships001.htm>.

- Prolific and other Priority Offenders Strategy
- Drugs Strategy: 2010
- Surrey Alcohol Strategy 2009 - 2012
- Spelthorne Community Plan 2005 – 15
- Civil Contingencies Act 2004
- Corporate Strategy (Spelthorne Borough Council)
- Youth Offending Team Capability and Capacity Plan
- National Crime Strategy