



OFFICER REPORT TO LOCAL COMMITTEE
(Surrey Heath)

Community Safety Report

15 July 2010

KEY ISSUE

The report provides an update on the work of the Safer Surrey Heath Partnership during 2009/10 (Community Safety Partnership – CSP) and plans for the coming year. Borough and police partners have also contributed to this report and will attend the Local Committee.

SUMMARY

The county of Surrey is one of the safest counties in England with the highest level of public confidence (according to the British Crime Survey 2009). Surrey Heath ranks third safest for overall levels of crime out of 11 boroughs in Surrey.

The Safer Surrey Heath Partnership has achieved many of its objectives in 2009-10 and agreed a range of actions to deliver the objectives in its 2010-11 Partnership Plan. These are set out in the Safer Surrey Heath Partnership Annual report for 2009/10 which can be found in Annex 1.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

The Local Committee (Surrey Heath) is asked to agree to:

- (i) **delegate responsibility for expenditure of the County Council's local community safety funding in Surrey Heath of £2,500 to the Area Director (note a further £12,000 is to be provided to the CSP conditional on domestic abuse outreach being provided);**
- (ii) **endorse the importance of the contribution of all services towards community safety and progress made.**

INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

1. The Safer Surrey Heath partnership comprises statutory representatives from seven agencies: Surrey Police, Surrey County Council, Surrey Heath Borough Council, the Primary Care Trust, Surrey Fire & Rescue Service, Surrey Police Authority and, since April 2010, Surrey & Sussex Probation. In the Crime & Disorder Act 1998 (amended 2006), a local crime and disorder reduction partnership (now known as a Community Safety Partnership) is a statutory requirement with the function of auditing and monitoring local incidences of

crime, and working together to devise and deliver an effective strategy to address it.

2. Section 17 of the 1998 Crime and Disorder Act requires local authorities to consider the crime and disorder implications of all their activities and functions, and do all that they reasonably can to prevent and reduce these problems. Surrey County Council services make an active contribution to crime prevention locally, through work with children and young people, Trading Standards, highways, countryside rights of way, and other key services. Public services are expected to have regard to S.17, and to design out crime as far as possible especially when developing new amenities.
3. The Safer and Stronger Communities Partnership Board takes a strategic overview of Surrey's community safety strategy and is chaired by the Chief Constable.
4. The Community Safety Partnership budget for 2010-11 is expected to include an Area Based Grant contribution of £62,104 (revenue) and £13,026 (capital) although these figures are subject to final confirmation, plus contributions from the statutory partners (also subject to confirmation). The Surrey County Council contribution comprises £12,000 which is ring-fenced for provision of a domestic abuse outreach service, together with a further £2,500 which members are asked to delegate to the Area Director as the representative on the CSP.

ANALYSIS

5. Surrey Heath ranks third safest for overall levels of crime out of 11 boroughs in Surrey, and Surrey is the safest county in England. The latest crime figures for Surrey Heath are set out in Annex 2. These show that overall there has been a slight increase (4.8%) of total crime. There was a reduction in two out of eight crime areas, these being a 17% reduction in domestic burglary (from 241 to 200 offences), and a 12% reduction in drugs offences (from 168 to 147 offences). There have been increases in six categories including most serious violent crime (up from 8 to 15 offences), vehicle crime (up from 372 to 453 offences) and robbery (up from 9 to 20 offences).
6. The Surrey Police website, www.surrey.police.uk, provides comprehensive data at borough and ward level on the latest crime figures and this data is refreshed every month (select Crime maps and statistics on the homepage). The Surrey Heath neighbourhood pages include details of the local policing team and how to contact them, together with information about current priorities and concerns. Details of neighbourhood panel meetings and a map of the Surrey Heath neighbourhoods can be found in Annex 3.
7. Residents can report crime by calling 999 (if the matter is serious and urgent), or by calling Surrey Police on 0845 125 222 for non-emergency reports. If they wish to report anti-social behaviour, residents can call their neighbourhood police officer to describe the problem, or use on-line anti-social behaviour reporting forms which may be downloaded from: www.safersurreyheath.info This information is then sent direct to the responsible officer to address.

Safer Surrey Heath Partnership Annual Report for 2009/10

8. The full annual report of the Safer Surrey Heath Partnership for 2009/10 can be found in annex 1. This sets out the key aims of the partnership for 2009/10

(page 4), achievements of the Joint Action Group (JAG) and Community Incident Action Group (CIAG) (pages 4/5) and sets out partnership successes under each of the four priority areas of fear of crime, public place disorder, priority crimes and substance misuse (pages 5-10). As well as the reductions in domestic burglary reported in paragraph 5 above, highlights from the report include:

- 86.8% of people 'fairly' / 'very' confident in local policing (page 4)
 - 91% detection rate for drug offences (page 4)
 - 19.4% reduction in road deaths/serious injury (from 36 to 29) (page 6)
 - 25% reduction in criminal damage over Halloween (page 7)
 - Camberley Street Angels launched (page 8)
 - Significant progress on Heatherside youth facility project (page 13)
9. Page 14 sets out the areas that the partnership will focus on in 2010/11 which were identified through the annual strategic assessment. These are:
- Non-dwelling burglaries
 - Violence against the person
 - Alcohol related crime
 - Arson
 - Traffic related issues
 - Perceptions on crime and disorder
 - Road traffic casualties
10. The Partnership Plan priorities for 2010/11 which can be found at www.safersurreyheath.info

CONSULTATIONS

11. Surrey Police conduct regular neighbourhood panel meetings at local level with members of the public, as part of the neighbourhoods agenda, together with a quarterly Policing Forum. Details of forthcoming Panel meetings and contact details for neighbourhood officers are laid out in Annex 3.

FINANCIAL AND VALUE FOR MONEY IMPLICATIONS

12. The Surrey County Council contribution of £12,000 is conditional on provision of domestic abuse outreach (as determined by Cabinet), and members are asked to delegate a further £2,500 to be used at the discretion of the Area Director for CSP purposes, totalling £14,500.

EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

13. Community safety funding contributes to a domestic abuse outreach service provided under contract by Surrey Women's Aid in North West Surrey. Practical and emotional support is provided to people, referred by the police and other local agencies, who have experienced physical and/or emotional domestic abuse.

COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

14. The community safety implications are implicit in the report.

CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

15. Members are asked to agree to delegate responsibility for expenditure of the County Council's community safety funding in Surrey Heath to the Area Director.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

16. The delegation is recommended to facilitate timely decision making in response to fast moving trends in patterns of crime and disorder locally.

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Annexes:

Annex 1 – Annual Report for 2009/10

Annex 2 – Latest recorded crime statistics.

Annex 3 – Neighbourhood panel, surgery dates and neighbourhood officers

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Annex 2

SURREY HEATH RECORDED CRIME
April 09 to March 2010

OFFENCE	FYtD	NO's Change	% Change	% Detected
Total Notifiable Crime	4405	202	4.8%	23%
Most Serious Violent Crime	15	7	87.5%	40%
Robbery	20	11	122%	45%
Other Violent Crime	999	133	15.4%	38%
Vehicle crime	453	81	21.8%	8%
Burglary Dwelling	200	-41	-17%	8%
Burglary Non- Dwelling	290	8	3%	7%
Criminal Damage	979	22	2.3%	9%
Drugs	147	-21	-12.5%	91%

**Policing Plan confidence target measure
Very & Fairly Confident (%)**

	Q1 2008/09	Q2 2008/09	Q3 2008/09	Q4 2008/09	Year End 2008/09	Q1 2009/10	Q2 2009/10	Q3 2009/10	Year to Date 2009 /10
Western	80.50%	82.00%	82.10%	80.70%	81.30%	86.60%	87.60%	86.1%	85.3%
Surrey Heath	85.90%	81.10%	76.90%	78.00%	80.70%	92.00%	86.2%	85.3%	86.8%

Dates of Police Neighbourhood Panel meetings, Summer 2010

Old Dean

Surgery is every Wednesday evening between 17.30 and 18.30 hrs at the Old Dean Advice Centre, Upper College Ride.

Next Panel meeting will take place on Wednesday 21st July at the Old Dean Advice Centre, Upper College Ride. The meeting will start at 19.00 hours.

During school term time, Collingwood Surgery is every Tuesday lunchtime for pupils at the school

St Michael's and Watchetts

Panel meeting - Wednesday – 25th August 2009 at 1930 hours, The Baptist Church, Frimley Road.

Camberley Town

There is a monthly drop in surgery at the High Cross Church, Knoll Road, Camberley on the first Wednesday of each month from 11am.

St Paul's

The next Panel Meeting is on Wednesday 14th July at 7pm and will be at the normal venue - St Paul's Community Centre.

Heatherside and Parkside

Surgeries at:

Heatherside 3rd Wednesday of each month @ Heatherside Community Centre start time of 18:30 hours

Parkside 1st Wednesday of each month @ St. Francis Church Hall start time of 18:00 hours

Drop in Surgeries at the following venues/times:

Heather Ridge Infant School 1st Friday of each month between 14:30 & 15:30 hours

The Grove Primary School 2nd Friday of each month between 14:45 & 15:45 hours

Prior Heath Infant School 3rd Friday of each month between 14:30 & 15:30 hours

Ravenscote Community School 4th Friday of each month between 15:00 & 16:00 hours

Next Panel Meeting:

Parkside 04/08/2010 18:00-19:00 at St. Francis Church Hall Chobham Road.

Heatherside: 15/09/2010 18:30-19:30 at Heatherside Community Centre, Martindale Avenue

Frimley

Police Surgeries are held on the last Wednesday of every month at St Peter's Church Hall, Frimley. Every third surgery will be your quarterly Panel Meetings. This is where you decide your Neighbourhood Policing Priorities.

Surgery dates: 25th July, 25th August, 27th October, 24th November. All start at 7pm.

Panel meetings: 29th September and 29th December. All start at 7pm.

Mytchett, Deepcut and Frimley Green

Police Surgeries are held Monthly at The Basingstoke canal Centre Mytchett, and Frimley Green Methodist Church Hall. Also hold Quartely Panel meetings where the Wards Policing Priorities are decided upon at the same venues.

Mytchett
Tuesday 6th July 2010 07.00pm

Deepcut
Dates to be confirmed

Frimley Green
Monday 5th July 2010 at 7pm.

Also holds a regular Surgery at Cranmore Court Residential home in Mytchett at 10.30 till 11.30 every other Tuesday from the 31st of March 2010 and every alternate Tuesday at Frimley Green Library from 10.30 till 11.30 and every Wednesday between 10.30 and 11.30 at the Deepcut Village Centre.

Also there is a drop in at The Cafe at Basingstoke Canal Centre between 11.00 and 12.00 every second Thursday of the month.

Bagshot and Windlesham

Panels:

Bagshot Infants School, School Lane, Bagshot –Monday 19th July 19.30-20.30 2010
St John the Baptist Church, Church Road, Windlesham –Tuesday 20th July 19.30-20.30 2010

Surgeries:

Every other Saturday (unless otherwise stated) at The Village Cafe, High Street, 9:30am to 10:30am. Next will be held on Saturday 5th June 2010.

Every other Saturday (unless otherwise stated) at Suttons Bakery, Updown Hill, 11am to 12pm. Next will be held on Saturday 5th June 2010.

On the First Wednesday of each month (unless otherwise stated) at Meade Court, Guildford Road, 10:00am to 11:00am. Next meeting Wednesday 5th July 2010.

Lightwater and West End

The next Lightwater surgery will be in The Square at 11.00am on Saturday 17th July 2010.

West End – PC Worger will be outside the shops in Gosden Road at 9.30am on Saturday 17th July 2010.

Chobham and Bisley

The Bisley Saturday surgery is located at the Recycling Centre at the junction of Guildford Road and Shaftesbury Road. The next surgery will be held at 9.00am on 12th June 2010.

The Saturday surgery in Chobham is located on the High Street although the venue for each surgery will alternate between outside Chobham Rider and outside Pasha. Next surgery is Saturday 12th June at 10.00am 2010.

Every Wednesday between 10am and 11am a joint Parish/Police surgery will be at the Parish Pavilion on Station Road, Chobham to discuss any issues or concerns regarding Chobham.

Dates of future Panel meetings will be posted on the Surrey Police website: www.surrey.police.uk and follow the link to your neighbourhood.

Surrey Heath Neighbourhood Officers

Bagshot & Windlesham

PC Jason Pill

Chobham, Bisley

PC Anna Whiteside

Camberley Town

PC Gary Chennells

PC Dale Hathaway

Frimley

PC Scott Green

Heatherside & Parkside

PC Tina Fitzpatrick

Lightwater & West End

PC Alison Worger

Mytchett, Deepcut & Frimley Green

PC Stuart Brant

Old Dean

PC Kevin Habgood

St Pauls

PC Samir Lama-Tamang

St Michaels & Watchetts

PC Richard Paton

Neighbourhood Sergeants

Sgt Sandra Carlier

PS Jon Castell

PS Corinne Scott

To contact Neighbourhood Officers please use the following generic number and email address: Tel: 0845 125 2222

Camberley Town, St Pauls, St Michaels, Old Dean

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Lightwater/West End, Bagshot/Windlesham, Chobham/Bisley

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