



OFFICER REPORT TO LOCAL COMMITTEE SURREY HEATH

COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP ANNUAL REPORT 2011/12 18 OCTOBER 2012

KEY ISSUE

The report provides an update on the work of the Safer Surrey Heath Partnership (the local Community Safety Partnership "CSP") during 2011-12 and plans for the coming year. Borough and police partners have also contributed to this report.

SUMMARY

This report outlines the progress made by the Safer Surrey Heath Partnership in 2011-12, up to date figures for crime and its priorities for the coming year. It also includes an update on the role and responsibilities of the new Police and Crime Commissioner and Panel.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

The Local Committee (Surrey Heath) is asked to note the contents of the report, the importance of the contribution of all services towards community safety and the progress made in 2011-12.

1. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The Crime and Disorder Act 1998 established arrangements for tackling crime and disorder and promoting community safety on a local basis. The Act established a local crime and disorder reduction partnership (now known as a Community Safety Partnership), as 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 such incidences.
- 1.2 The Safer Surrey Heath Partnership comprises statutory representatives from seven agencies: Surrey Police, Surrey County Council, Surrey Heath Borough Council, Surrey NHS Trust, Surrey Fire & Rescue Service, Surrey Police Authority and, since April 2010, Sussex and Surrey Probation Trust.
- 1.3 A Surrey County Council Member sits on Safer Surrey Heath Partnership alongside an officer from the Community Partnerships Team. They contribute to the debates and influence decisions which will affect local residents in Surrey Heath and report back to the Local Committee as appropriate.

2 FUTURE ARRANGEMENTS

- 2.1 The election of the new Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) on 15 November 2012 will mean fundamental changes for the way Community Safety Partnership's work. The existing Police Authority will be abolished.
- 2.2 The PCC will have the following broad roles and responsibilities:
 - Four year term (future elections in May)
 - Secure an efficient and effective police force for their area
 - Appoint the Chief Constable, hold them to account for the running of the force and if necessary dismiss them
 - Set the police and crime objectives for the area by producing a five year Police and Crime Plan
 - Set the annual force budget and police precept and produce an annual report
 - Contribute to the national and international policing capabilities set out by the Home Secretary in the Strategic Policing Requirement
 - Co-operate with the criminal justice system in their area
 - Work with partners and fund community safety activity to tackle crime and disorder
- 2.3 The legislation allows for a new 'check and balance' in the system in the form of a Police and Crime Panel (PCP). The panel is made up of 11 local district and borough councillors (one from each local authority), a county councillor and two independent co-opted individuals. Cllr Charlotte Morley represents Surrey Heath Borough

and Dorothy Ross-Tomlin represents Surrey County Council. The PCPs will scrutinise the PCC's exercise of their statutory functions and effectiveness.

- 2.4 The PCCs will have overall responsibility for reducing crime and disorder and the intention is they will work with CSPs and criminal justice partners to achieve their objectives. The PCC will be able to call CSP chairmen to meetings, request reports and commission services. Members should be aware that the way the Safer Surrey Heath Partnership operates could alter as a result of these changes. From April 2013 the SCC Community Safety Fund contribution will be transferred to the PCC to support this change of arrangements. The current Safer Surrey Heath Partnership funds will be retained by the Partnership as they have already been allocated.
- 2.5 For further information please visit Surrey Police Authority's website: www.surreypa.gov.uk/pcc or contact Sarah Haywood: haywood14136@surrey.pnn.police.uk

3 ANALYSIS

- 3.1 Surrey Heath is one of the safest boroughs in England. The latest crime figures for Surrey Heath borough from April 2011 – April 12 are set out in Annex 1.
- Serious acquisitive overall crime has reduced by 19.8%, this relates to 107 offences. The police will continue to run Level 2 Operations to ensure this remains a downward trend for the future. However, the identification of such offences relies on intelligence and a resource commitment which will be a consideration for the next year.
 - Overall figures in Surrey Heath have seen a **10%** reduction (3900 offences) compared to a reduction of 8.2% last year. A reduction in every crime category apart from Robbery and Drugs offences has been seen.
 - Vehicle crime saw a 26.7% reduction (101 offences less).
 - Dwelling burglary has decreased by ten offences and achieved an overall reduction of 6.6%.
 - Drug offences have seen a 10.7% increase which relates to 248 offences. This positive increase is due to intelligence led proactivity by the Neighbourhood team to detect drugs offences.
 - There has been a decrease in violence with injury of 24.9%, which means a reduction of 94 incidents. Joint working within the partnership has helped to tackle not just the night time economy and domestic abuse but to proactively manage businesses that breach their licence conditions.
- 3.2 The police will continue to work hard to maintain, or reduce further, some of the excellent levels achieved this year but expect this to be difficult in 2012-13 given the economic climate.

- 3.3 Residents can report criminal behaviour or incidents to the Safer Neighbourhood team on 101 , or if it is a genuine emergency call 999. Details of the local team are included in Annex 2 of this report and can also be found via www.surrey.police.uk.

4 SAFER SURREY HEATH PARTNERSHIP SUCCESSES IN 2011-12

- 4.1 A number of multi-agency Drive Smart “Road Education and Enforcement days” of action have been delivered successfully across the Borough with excellent outcomes.
- 4.2 Through the Joint Action Group some excellent work is ongoing in relation to the prevention of Arson and Heath Fires.
- 4.3 Also in working with Accent Peerless an Anti-Social Behaviour Closure Order was obtained resulting in a problem family being relocated to another County.
- 4.4 An Anti-Social Behaviour Order (ASBO) was also obtained on an individual with an alcohol addiction who had a disproportionate effect on the Community. He breached his ASBO on 12 occasions and is now on remand with a care plan and has been evicted from his home.
- 4.5 Further successes include:
- i. The increasing number of ‘speed watches’ continue to address the issues of anti-social driving;
 - ii. ‘Test purchasing’ of alcohol by underage young people has resulted in warnings issued to licensees;
 - iii. The future of the Youth Council has been safeguarded with the transfer of the management of the service to the Windle Valley Youth Project;
 - iv. Improved planning and ability to respond to wild fires through Young Citizen events, Youth Engagement Scheme, radio campaigns and purchase of a new all-terrain fire fighting appliance;
 - v. Further support to the Old Dean Community Group has resulted in a new Jobs Club and a regeneration project for the shopping parade made possible by a successful bid for 'Cash for Communities' Proceeds of Crime funds;
 - vi. The Partnership has supported the establishment of Collectively Camberley, the new Town Centre ‘business improvement district’ (BID);
 - vii. The implementation of a six week trial period of High Street road closures and a taxi marshalling scheme in Camberley on a Friday and Saturday nights in April 2011 saw incidents reduce by 50%, including reduction in violent crime against the person.

5 UPDATED PARTNERSHIP PLAN FOR 2012-13

5.1 The Safer Surrey Heath Partnership's priorities, taken from the Single Strategic Assessment for 2012/13, are:

- Burglary from non-dwellings increased by 21% (from 266 to 321 offences) over the assessment period;
- Public concern remain high with Traffic Congestion at 44% of the population concerned; and Speeding motorists and Anti-Social driving at 41%);
- Higher risk drinkers of alcohol (Surrey Heath was ranked 1st out of 68 Authorities);
- Violence against the person increased by 5% (from 1,035 to 1,086 offences), this includes domestic incidents;
- Working with partners for early intervention in mental health cases;
- Prevention of auto crime; and
- Prevention of domestic burglary.

* The information used to inform the Single Strategic Assessment is taken from data using a comparison between October 2010 – September 2011 figures against October – 2009 - September 2010 figures.

5.2 All of the priorities are addressed in the Partnership Action Plan available on the Safer Surrey Heath web-page at <http://www.surreyheath.gov.uk/community/safersurreyheath/default1.htm>

5.3 Many of the campaigns highlighted above are running again in 2012/13. Priorities will also be addressed through actions at JAG and CIAG and through mainstreamed service delivery including direct service provision and enforcement activity, training and outreach in targeted areas. All major projects will be backed up by communications activities to ensure local residents are aware of the steps being taken to support community safety priorities.

6 CONSULTATIONS

6.1 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 can be found at www.surrey.police.uk, and contact details for neighbourhood officers are laid out in Annex 2.

7 FINANCIAL AND VALUE FOR MONEY IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 Surrey County Council has made available £3,160 per borough/district for use in conjunction with the Community Safety Partnerships.
- 7.2 The Local Committee agreed in July 2012 to transfer the community safety funding to the Community Safety Partnership.

8 EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

- 8.1 Community safety funding continues to contribute to a domestic abuse outreach service provided under contract by yourSanctuary. 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.
- 8.2 Steps are taken to ensure that Neighbourhood Panel meetings are accessible for all. Surrey Police has a minicom number: 01483 539999.
- 8.3 Incidents of hate crime are monitored carefully by Surrey Police.

9 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

- 9.1 The community safety implications are implicit in the report.

10 CONCLUSION

- 10.1 Members are asked to endorse the contribution of all services towards community safety and note progress made.

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ANNEX 1

SURREY HEATH RECORDED CRIME
April 2011 to March 2012

OFFENCE	FYtD	NO's Change	% Change	% Detected	% Change
Total Notifiable Crime	3900	- 434	- 10%	30%	+1.5%
Violence with Injury	284	- 94	- 24.9%	35.9%	+2.8%
Robbery	14	4	40%	35.7%	+5.7%
Violence without injury	659	- 41	- 5.9%	47.6%	+1.6%
Vehicle crime	277	- 101	- 26.7%	8.7%	+2.4%
Burglary Dwelling	142	- 10	- 6.6%	18.3%	-2.8%
Burglary Non-Dwelling	228	- 94	- 29.2%	8.3%	+1.5%
Criminal Damage	824	- 52	- 5.9%	18.3%	-2.8%
Drugs	248	24	10.7%	94%	-6%

Policing Plan confidence target measure

Very & Fairly Confident (%)

The target for the Force for 2010-13 is to maintain levels above 85%. For 2011-12, confidence was measured at 90.4% in Surrey Heath, as compared to 90.1% countywide. This represents an improvement on 2010-11, which saw confidence in Surrey Heath measured at 87.4%.

Satisfaction of ASB Victims

A target of making 76% of ASB victims satisfied with the service provided is now in place. The following table shows performance in Surrey Heath and other boroughs. A year end figure of 81% is above the Force Average of 78.4%. This is the highest in the Force illustrating further excellent performance.

Satisfaction of ASB Victims (%):

	Year End 2010/11	2011/12 January	2011/12 February	2011/12 March	Year End 2011/12
Force	76.7	79.4	78.6	80.6	78.4
	<i>(3198)</i>	<i>(379)</i>	<i>(379)</i>	<i>(381)</i>	<i>(4562)</i>
Elmbridge	75.6	82.5	83.8	87.2	78.4
	<i>(394)</i>	<i>(40)</i>	<i>(37)</i>	<i>(39)</i>	<i>(485)</i>
Epsom & Ewell	78.4	85.7	89.7	95.7	79.0
	<i>(190)</i>	<i>(21)</i>	<i>(29)</i>	<i>(23)</i>	<i>(271)</i>
Guildford	73.1	76.3	78.4	85.4	78.2
	<i>(424)</i>	<i>(59)</i>	<i>(51)</i>	<i>(48)</i>	<i>(656)</i>
Mole Valley	79.7	93.3	93.8	76.2	78.2
	<i>(192)</i>	<i>(15)</i>	<i>(16)</i>	<i>(21)</i>	<i>(248)</i>
Reigate & Banstead	78.2	79.3	67.9	79.3	77.0
	<i>(377)</i>	<i>(58)</i>	<i>(53)</i>	<i>(58)</i>	<i>(574)</i>
Runnymede	74.8	80.0	73.3	77.3	79.3
	<i>(226)</i>	<i>(40)</i>	<i>(30)</i>	<i>(22)</i>	<i>(353)</i>
Spelthorne	78.7	75.0	76.3	76.9	76.7
	<i>(352)</i>	<i>(32)</i>	<i>(38)</i>	<i>(52)</i>	<i>(503)</i>
Surrey Heath	78.7	84.6	73.9	88.5	81.0
	<i>(267)</i>	<i>(26)</i>	<i>(23)</i>	<i>(26)</i>	<i>(352)</i>
Tandridge	71.4	85.7	83.9	71.1	79.6
	<i>(196)</i>	<i>(28)</i>	<i>(31)</i>	<i>(38)</i>	<i>(339)</i>
Waverley	76.9	70.8	90.0	71.0	78.9
	<i>(268)</i>	<i>(24)</i>	<i>(30)</i>	<i>(31)</i>	<i>(369)</i>
Woking	78.5	72.2	70.7	82.6	77.9
	<i>(312)</i>	<i>(36)</i>	<i>(41)</i>	<i>(23)</i>	<i>(412)</i>

Surrey Heath Neighbourhood Officers

Bagshot & Windlesham

PC Jason Pill

Chobham, Bisley

PC Debbie Hayes

PCSO Max Pearson

Camberley Town

PC Gary Chennells

PC Dale Hathaway

PCSO Lisa Ford

Frimley

PC Kelly Wootton

PCSO Rhian Roberts

Frimley Park Hospital

PC Laura Madgwick-Smith

Heatherside & Parkside

PC Teresa Clancy

PCSO Vince Wakeling

Lightwater & West End

PC Alison Worger

Mytchett, Deepcut & Frimley Green

PC Gary Martin

PCSO Barbara Ball

Old Dean

PC Debbie Reece

PCSO Bev Gosden

St Pauls

PC Samir Lama-Tamang

St Michaels & Watchetts

PC Nathalie Pattison

PC Dale Johnson

PCSO Gavin Thorn

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